

# Public Art 2022 Highlights

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## Public Art Policy Revisions

In 2022, Council adopted a revised policy that sets a foundation for a more responsive, diverse, equitable and sustainable program.










Future Ancestors banner by Michelle Sound

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## Artist Roster

The roster allows for a more streamlined approach to selecting artists and will be one of several ways used to hire artists.

Seventeen (17) artists were chosen by a Selection Panel and will be eligible for projects under \$25k, effective January 3, 2022- January 3, 2024.

	RANDALL BEAR BARNETSON	↓
	BEN BOGART	↓
	DAVID CAMISA	↓
	LAARA CERMAN	↓
	CHARON CHARON Heather Prost and Alannah Clamp	↓
	JENI CHEN	↓
	JENNY HAWKINSON	↓

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## Street Banners

For 2022, three artists were selected from the Artist Roster to develop designs: Janice Wu, Sandra Yuen and Michelle Sound.

The Street Banners program aims to highlight local artists, enhance urban spaces and where possible, provide context to the area and activities that occur within the community.



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## Active Project

### **təməsew'txʷ Aquatic and Community Centre**

Artist: James Harry

This was the City's first Indigenous Call to Artists. The commission was awarded to James Harry, a Coast Salish artist from Vancouver.

The artist is fabricating and installing a large-scale sculpture referencing traditional Coast Salish design motifs and the Glenbrook Ravine.



James Harry

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### Artist-Initiated Public Art Project

Artist: Emilie Crewe

This temporary public art opportunity supports artist-led initiatives, experimentation and builds capacity.

Through an open call, three artists were shortlisted to develop concept proposals. A Selection Panel awarded the opportunity to North Vancouver-based artist, Emilie Crewe who is developing a temporary interactive LED installation for the façade of City Hall.

Installation planned for May 2023.





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### Agnes Greenway Crosswalks

Artist: Rain Pierre

Selected from the Artist Roster, Rain Pierre, local artist from the Katzie First Nation was commissioned to design crosswalks in the school zones adjacent to Qayqayt Elementary School.

The artist engaged students at Qayqayt before the end of the school year in an art competition.

Designs have been selected and incorporated into new artworks for the crosswalks.

Designs planned for installation in the Spring 2023.



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### Boundary Road Drainage Pump Station

Artist: Hanna Benihoud

Through an open call for a design-only contract, Hanna Benihoud was commissioned to work with the design team to integrate a public art work at the Boundary Road Drainage Pump Station.

The artist held workshops with children 6-9 years old to be part of the design process. The artwork will consist of a series of small sculptures and painted horizontal and vertical surfaces surrounding the pump station.

Installation planned for 2023.



Hanna Benihoud at a workshop



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### Capture 2023

Artist: Rebecca Bair

The City partnered with Capture Photography Festival to commission a temporary vinyl installation for the façade of the Anvil Centre. Through an invitational process led by curator Emmy Lee Wall, three BIPOC lens-based artists were invited to submit concept proposals and a selection panel chose Vancouver-based artist Rebecca Bair.

Installation planned for April 2023 and will be presented as part of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Capture Photography Festival.



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## Public Library

Artist: Rain Pierre

To allow for more time to immerse an artist into the context of the site, the artist selection was based on qualifications and past experience only, not on a concept proposal. Artist Rain Pierre was chosen by a Selection Panel.

Contracting artist in progress. Artist will work with Library and City staff to develop concept.



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## Public Art Plan

A Call to Consultants was issued seeking qualified consultants to develop a public art plan for the City of New Westminster. The selection process is complete and contracting is in progress.

The public art plan will establish a vision and set direction for the Public Art Program for the next ten years.



birds on a branch by Metz & Chew