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To Mayor and Council
City of New Westminster

Council is charged with assessing where to allocate limited resources to get the greatest return. The city has long recognized the value of the arts in creating a livable city and providing a platform for discussing current social issues.

At budget time, it is worth recognizing how the arts contribute to the local economy by keeping entertainment dollars at home, and attracting visitors from neighbouring communities. Indeed, compared to major industrial options, the arts offer an environmentally friendly way to boost the local economy using existing infrastructure and talent. It's a great return on investment.

We encourage you therefore to view the arts as a valuable component of your plan to grow our economy and make New Westminster a great place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

Bob Crockett

President, Arts Council of New Westminster

Bringing Community Together Through the Arts

Sincerely,

Laura Grady
Executive Director
Arts Council of New Westminster

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At the Arts Council of New Westminster, we live and work on the unceded, traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples of the QayQayt (qíqÉyt) Nation as well as all Coast Salish Nations.

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