





Territorial Acknowledgement

We are on Indigenous land in Treaty 6 territory. Land occupied, travelled, and cared for by Indigenous peoples since time immemorial.

This place $-\Gamma^{\circ}b \cdot \dot{\Gamma} \dot{\lhd} \cdot \dot{\cap} b^{\parallel} \Delta b^{\circ}$, amiskwacîwâskahikan, Edmonton – is a traditional meeting ground, gathering place, and travelling route of the nêhiyawak (Cree), Anishinaabe (Saulteaux), Niitsitapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dene, and Nakota Sioux.

The histories, languages, and cultures of these peoples enrich our shared heritage. We are all bound by the spirit and intent of Treaty. Too often these agreements between nations are excluded from the stories we tell about the past, this place, and ourselves. We must be truthful about what has happened in our communities and make meaningful decisions about who is included, who is represented, and how we reflect.

We are committed to upholding the City of Edmonton's Indigenous Framework, responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

We are committed to Indigenous cultural independence, as stated in Connections & Exchanges: A 10-Year Plan to Transform Arts and Heritage in Edmonton.

We support the agency and autonomy of Indigenous peoples in revitalizing and participating in traditional, contemporary, and future manifestations of their heritage and culture.

Your Place in Our Work and Our Place in Yours

It's vital to keep grounded in the lands we call home and the spaces we occupy, and to tell their stories. We hope you see something to connect with as we highlight some of the work we've been privileged to support in 2021. $\Gamma^{\circ}b\cdot\Gamma \triangleleft \neg b^{\parallel} \triangle b^{\circ}$, amiskwacîwâskahikan, Edmonton: it's part of our shared experience and the more perspectives, the fuller (though never complete) our collective picture of it becomes.

ABOUT EHC

VISION	Edmonton embracing its diverse heritage, inclusive of all people, communities, and cultures on Treaty 6 Territory, consistent with the principles of Truth and Reconciliation.
MISSION	We connect people to the stories of our city by helping Edmontonians research, preserve, interpret, and advocate for our heritage.
MANDATE	The Edmonton Heritage Council is a leader in advancing <i>Connections & Exchanges</i> , Edmonton's 10-year arts and heritage plan.



WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE WITH YOU this annual report.

demonstrating how EHC and the community are advancing the Aims of Connections & Exchanges, Edmonton's 10-year arts and heritage plan. In the face of pandemic challenges, organizations and individuals have continued to take remarkable approaches to researching, preserving, interpreting, telling and expanding— the stories of this city.

In our work, a key element is to make heritage an accessible and valued part of community life. The idea of the 15-Minute City, where daily necessities can be met by walking or cycling from residents' homes, should include heritage experiences. In mapping the initiatives of the past year, we see the footprint of heritage work in more neighbourhoods and districts, enhanced by local digital content. And there is much more to be done.

The Ambitions of Connections & Exchanges align with Edmonton's City Plan: heritage work is about how we build the future of the city. It's about how we grow, adapt, and succeed as a community. New opportunities are now, with their roots in the past.

My thanks to the energy and excellence of EHC's staff and Board for their work. Their achievement comes through the success of the community over the past year, as amply evident in these pages.

Robert Hobson, Chair

Board of Directors, Edmonton Heritage Council

Strategic Priorities & Progress

In 2021, we advanced our strategic goals while adapting to serve a changing community. A few highlights related to these priorities are listed here under "Achieved"

The Heritage Ambitions of **Connections & Exchanges**

Alive With Heritage

A Hub for Extraordinary Creation and Reputation

A Thriving and Well-Funded Heritage Ecosystem

AIM: Edmonton's neighbourhoods offer meaningful opportunities for heritage participation and engagement.

► Action: Nurture cultural curiosity through planned and spontaneous heritage encounters.

- ECAMP Story Collection and ECAMP Podcast featured Neighbourhoods as a common theme.
- ▶ Action: Inventory and develop heritage interpretive experiences to increase visibility, access, and engagement.

Achieved:

- · Completed Survey of Heritage Interpretive Resources of Edmonton (SHIRE).
- · Worked with Edmonton Historical Board on the document Edmonton's Heritage & Historic Resources.
- · Hired mapping intern through support of Young Canada Works and National Trust for Canada.
- Launched ECAMP virtual exhibit And Still We Rise: A Black Presence in Alberta.

AIM: Edmontonians have a sense of belonging and connectedness to peoples, places, and stories of their city.

▶ Action: Create and support opportunities for cultural connection and understanding between people, communities, and places.

Achieved

- ECAMPing Trips continued online, spotlighting Alberta's Black history, stories of Chinatown, and Philippine culture.
- New ECAMP Podcast team produced season two, with a focus on Queer, Neighbourhood, and Immigration themes.
- ▶ Action: Advance Edmonton City as Museum Project as a place of dialogue, exchange, and collaborative city building.

Achieved

- ECAMP supported and featured the work of 33 writers in 2021, publishing a total of 67 stories.
- · Wide Angle Lens, a series of online sessions on empowering community heritage practices, featured guest speakers including EHC staff and heritage professionals.
- ► Action: Contribute to placemaking through connections to cultural landscapes, natural history, built history, object, language, and story.

Achieved

- · Funded research for podcast Searching for Izena, compiling biographies of the 31 women who ran for Edmonton City Council (prior to the 2021 civic election).
- Funding for Pandemic 1870/2020, a documentary film by Dylan Reade shedding light on the 1870 smallpox epidemic and its impact on the Métis community of Lac Ste Anne.
- ▶ Action: Support Indigenous peoples in revitalizing and participating locally in traditions that reflect their connections to ancestors and the land.

Achieved

- · EHC participated in the Gov't Centre LRT Station working circle, which led to the renaming and removal of Grandin name and murals.
- Convened an Indigenous burial sites working group of grassroots community members.
- · Launched monthly Indigenous initiatives e-newsletter The Beacon.

AIM: Remove barriers for all Edmontonians to participate in heritage experiences.

▶ Action: Create learning opportunities to build heritage sector capacity and remove barriers to participation.

Achieved

- · Hosted four workshops on Indigenous Resurgence and how to apply for FIRE funding.
- · Wide Angle Lens sessions were available at low-cost and no-cost levels.
- · Offered one-on-one grants coaching to address barriers for equity-seeking groups, improving quality of applications and chances of success.
- Produced a how-to video and application worksheets for new Operational grant portal.
- Incorporated anti-oppression training into jury orientation.
- Expanded eligible story contributor format to allow for video and real-time pitches.
- Introduced Change Capital and Career Development Grants, providing financial support for practitioners looking to improve skills.
- ► Action: Review Historian Laureate program and mandate for cultural inclusion.

- Project funding for *Miskamowin*, a documentary produced by Historian Laureate Amber Paquette.
- ▶ Action: Stand with Indigenous leaders in heritage work.

Achieved

- EHC supports the Confederacy of Treaty #6 as they work to commemorate the signing of Treaty through the placement of a monument at the Alberta Legislature Grounds.
- EHC attended ceremony marking removal of Grandin murals at Gov't Centre LRT Station.
- ▶ Action: Resource Indigenous-led activities that support the reclamation of Indigeneity.

Achieved

- \$50,000 awarded in FIRE grants to five recipients.
- Additional funds provided to Molly Chisaakay for Dene Tha Ghondi, a documentary on Dene language revitalization, and Matt Hiltermann for Métis heritage consultation services to Pandemic 1870/2020 filmmaker Dylan Reade.

AIM: Dynamic exchanges of ideas and expertise occur between Edmonton's heritage sector and the world.

▶ **Action:** Create opportunities for heritage practitioners to develop and promote innovative practices.

Achieved

- Introduced Career Development HCIP stream, funding practitioners to develop skills and share them with Edmontonians.
- Hired Production Coordinator to coach skill development of new ECAMP Podcast team.
- ▶ **Action:** Work with public and private partners to commemorate Edmonton's historic urban landscapes, including sites of conscience.

Achieved

- ECAMP Podcast and stories highlighted hidden histories of Edmonton's queer communities.
- ECAMPing Trips: 100 Years of Alberta's Black History and I Didn't Know That: Chinatown Stories.
- HCIP-supported projects on Michener Park, Goji plants in the river valley, and Douglas Cardinal legacy project, each investigating aspects of Edmonton's Historic Urban Landscapes.

AIM: Diverse platforms for collaboration within Edmonton allow heritage communities to connect and create.

► Action: Broaden Edmonton City as Museum Project (ECAMP) to include public art as well as neighbourhood and cultural heritage in a significant platform for cultural discovery and knowledgebuilding.

- ECAMP added 13 neighbourhood stories and 40 on cultural heritage to its online collection in 2021.
- ▶ Action: Connect individuals and groups with the resources they need to do creative, innovative heritage work.

· This action is at the heart of all EHC's programs; it has been and will continue to be a central tenet of our work.



EHC's newest program was introduced in 2021. FIRE (Funding Indigenous Resurgence in Edmonton) provides funding assistance to Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) individuals and organizations to support projects telling community stories. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$10,000.



FIRE GRANT RECIPIENT

Pei Pei Chei Ow – Cooking Classes

culinary heritage cultural heritage education

Through a FIRE grant, the local catering company Pei Pei Chei Ow has partnered with Edmonton Public Library for a series of free cooking classes. This program is aimed at giving the broader community access to Indigenous culinary techniques. Food plays an essential role in bringing communities together and preserving traditions.



NEED-TO-KNOWS: PEI PEI CHEI OW

- ► Founded by Chef Scott Jonathan Iserhoff, Pei Pei Chei Ow explores and highlights Indigenous food in modern society, aiming to evoke memories and comfort
- ► The name Pei Pei Chei Ow / △□□□ (pronounced "pe-pe-s-chew") means "Robin" in the Omushkegowin (Swampy Cree) language
- ► Website: peipeicheiow.com



Stand with Indigenous leaders in cultural work.

"This funding has been crucial to what Pei Pei Chei Ow does in the community. We've been thinking about giving back, but it's not practical or sustainable to offer anything free in today's society. So when this FIRE grant came out we realized it was the perfect opportunity to offer free Indigenous cooking classes, introducing other demographics to this food."

- Scott Jonathan Iserhoff, Founder

A PLACE AT THE TABLE

Some more EHC-supported work related to culinary heritage from 2021:

FIRE recipients

► Inuit Community Development and Education Foundation (ICDEF) - Lighting the Qulliq

HCIP (Heritage Community Investment Program) recipients

- Amal Mohamud Flavors of Somali Edmonton Cuisine
- ▶ Omar Mouallem The Last Baron
- Richard Wood Edmonton Culinary History Project
- ► Yong Fei Guan Goji Paradise II

ECAMP (Edmonton City as Museum Project) stories

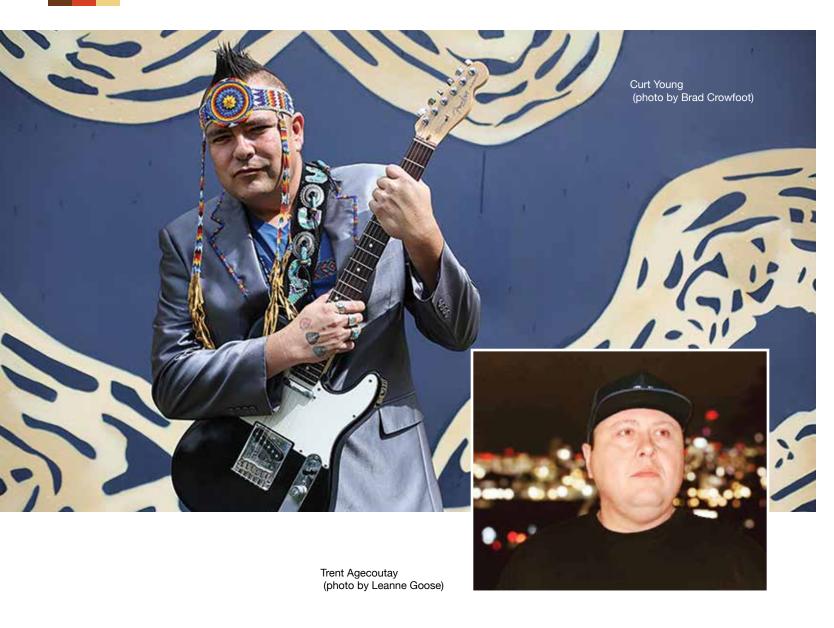
- ► City as Arboretum by Dustin Bajer
- ► Early Market Gardens in Edmonton by Katherine Koller
- ► The Last Best West: Hattie's Place, Part 3 by Dr. Russell Cobb
- ► The Tamale & Pupusa: A Culinary Journey
 To Canada by Amrita Gill
- ► Wong Bark Ging 黃柏振: A History of My Father's Market Gardens by Ging Wei Wong 黃景煒

ECAMP Podcast episodes

- ► S02E11 | The Edmonton 2Spirit Society, Lebanese Peddlers & Burger Baron
- ► S02E12 | Bringing It Together: Immigration History Through Food & Edmonton's Annexations

EDMONTON HERITAGE COUNCIL 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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FIRE GRANT RECIPIENT

Trent Agecoutay – Do You Hear Me Now?

culinary heritage education media This livestream was originally conceived as the podcast *Thicker Than Blood*, a series of inperson conversations with Indigenous Elder musicians to preserve and share their stories in their own words. While the focus has shifted, the team has kept Indigenous music, stories, and traditions at the heart of the program.

"As the pandemic went on, we saw the issues many Elders have had conducting interviews virtually. We had to pivot to a platform for contemporary Indigenous singer/songwriters. Some of our interviews have been with second generation musicians who have said they would love to come back with Elder musicians in their families and help them with the technology... this is only the beginning!"

- Trent Agecoutay, Co-Host

- NEED-TO-KNOWS: DO YOU HEAR ME NOW? -

- Podcast/livestream hosted by Trent Agecoutay, Chelsie Young, and Curt Young (originally conceived by Agecoutay and Leanne Goose)
- ► First video podcast got over 8,500 views; averages over 5,000 views per week
- Website: thickerthanbloodmusic.com/ do-you-hear-me-now-amplifying-indigenous-voices

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More EHC-supported work related to music

ECAMP stories

from 2021:

- ► Dasha Goody, Born to the Stage by Debby Shoctor
- ► The Day Bill Coull Disappeared from the Airwaves by Terry Jorden
- ► Judi Singh: A Black and South Asian Musician from 1950s-70s Edmonton by Poushali Mitra

ECAMP Podcast episodes

► S02E10 | Do It Together: DIY Art and Music Organizing in Edmonton

What's Next for FIRE?

New developments include a partnership with Arts Habitat Edmonton helping applicants find venues to suit project needs. In 2022, FIRE is expanding eligibility so that any Indigenous person living on a First Nations reserve or Métis settlement in Treaty 6 with a project relating to amiskwacîwâskahikan (Edmonton) may apply.



cultural heritage

virtual experience

education

Through its story collection, virtual exhibitions, ECAMPing Trips, podcast, and other programming, ECAMP tells the stories of the People, Places, Things, and Moments that make Edmonton our city.

ECAMP VIRTUAL EXHIBITION

And Still We Rise: A Black Presence in Alberta, Late 1800s – 1970s

Racialization, Citizenship, Immigration & the Fight for Social Change

In 2021, ECAMP launched the virtual exhibition *And Still We Rise: A Black Presence in Alberta, Late 1800s – 1970s*, researched and developed by Dr. Jennifer Kelly. Based on a hard copy panel exhibit, this is a permanent, accessible home for stories of diverse communities across our province. This is ECAMP's second virtual exhibition, following *Armistice 100: Edmonton & the First World War*.



Immigration Hall in Edmonton, circa 1908. (Image courtesy of the University of Alberta Libraries, Peel's Prairie Provinces Prairie Postcards Collection Postcard 13586.)

STORY COLLECTIONS FEATURED IN THIS EXHIBITION:

- ► An Early Presence: Individuals and Single Families
- ► Community Formation, Activism & Citizenship
- ▶ Immigration & Social Change

For more resources related to this exhibit and the histories covered within it, visit citymuseumedmonton.ca/exhibitions/a-black-presence-in-alberta/resources-for-further-learning



An advertisement from the Boley Progress newspaper, 11 February 1911.

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Dr. Jennifer Kelly (provided)

"The virtual exhibit was a wonderful opportunity to bring into light a history of a traditionally marginalized Black community through an accessible format. ECAMP staff and Kobot took the time to listen to questions, concerns, and suggestions for additional community voices, making the process feel respectful of our work. Along with the financial commitment, the work came with appropriate expertise, which demonstrated that the work was valued."

Jennifer R. Kelly, PhD
 Professor Emeritus, University of Alberta Faculty of Education

FINDING YOUR PLACE

More EHC-supported work from 2021 relating Black experiences in Edmonton and Alberta:

HCIP recipients

- ► Amal Mohamud Flavors of Edmonton Somali Cuisine
- ► Robert Tyndale Part-time YouTuber Academy

ECAMP stories

- ► Edmonton's Caribbean Journey by Donna Coombs-Montrose
- Once a Teacher, Always a Teacher by Jeannette Austin-Odina
- ► The Last Black West: Oklahoma Freedmen Seek Refuge in Alberta, Parts One & Two by Dr. Russell Cobb
- Vivacious Caribbean Teachers
 by Etty Shaw-Cameron

NEED-TO-KNOWS: AND STILL WE RISE

- Researched and developed by Dr. Jennifer Kelly with community support by Jeannette Austin-Odina, Debbie Beaver, Donna Coombs-Montrose, and Etty Shaw-Cameron
- Images provided by over a dozen archival and educational institutions as well as other collaborators
- Webpage: citymuseumedmonton.ca/ exhibitions/a-black-presence-in-alberta

What's Next in Exhibitions?

Thanks to a grant from Canadian Heritage, EHC will build on the 2017 Edmonton Living Rooms initiative for permanent online exhibition. This project explores Edmonton's diversity through universal themes of humanity.



ECAMP AUDIO SERIES

ECAMP Podcast Season 2

The ECAMP Podcast examines aspects of Edmonton's history with contributions from local historians, professors, enthusiasts, and other voices.

After a five-year hiatus, 2021 saw the return of ECAMP Podcast. EHC staff expanded the format, focusing on three often-intersecting season themes (Immigration, Queer, and Neighbourhood Histories), working with a Production Coordinator, three featured Segment Hosts, and ECAMP's Curator.



Nurture cultural curiosity through planned and spontaneous heritage experiences.

cultural heritage media queer histories "As an audio engineer, broadcaster, and teacher, this podcast has allowed me to bring together my passions with a diverse group of hosts and interviewees. The backgrounds, cultures, knowledge, and experiences of everyone involved have resulted in an important program giving life to local stories unknown to most. I'm very proud to have been given this opportunity to present our history to the world in a powerful, accessible way."

- Pat Hoonjan, ECAMP Podcast Production Coordinator



ECAMP Podcast Season 2 Team: Russell Cobb, Kendra Cowley, Christina Hardie, Pat Hoonjan, Gian Marco Visconti (left to right)

A PLACE TO LISTEN

More EHC-supported podcasts (and video podcasts/vodcasts) from 2021:

HCIP recipients

- Craig Baird Edmonton Rural Heritage (example episode: The Ukrainian House at Elk Island)
- ► Fawnda Mithrush *Kathak, Hopak, Hip-hop* (preview here)
- Miranda Jimmy kiskiwin: Edmonton's Missing and Murdered
- Ritchie Community League -A Little Bit Ritchie

NEED-TO-KNOWS:ECAMP PODCAST SEASON 2

- First launched in 2016, relaunched in 2021 with expanded format
- Season 2 team: Russell Cobb, Immigration Histories Host; Kendra Cowley, Queer Histories Host; Christina Hardie, ECAMP Curator; Pat Hoonjan, Production Coordinator; Gian Marco Visconti, Neighbourhood Histories Host
- Webpage: citymuseumedmonton.ca/podcast

What's Next for the Podcast?

We have begun preparing for ECAMP Podcast's third season, to be launched later in 2022.



From **Connections & Exchanges**

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Advance Edmonton City as Museum Project as a place of dialogue, exchange, and collaborative city building.

Delwin Vriend (L) and Murray Billett (R) at the Supreme Court of Canada in 1997. (Photo credit: J Kolmes)

ECAMP COLLABORATION WITH ALHI

Without Discrimination: The Delwin Vriend Case

Alberta Labour History Institute (ALHI) and ECAMP Podcast joined forces in 2021 for an audio documentary on the court case that led to legal protection for Alberta residents from discrimination based on sexual orientation; the result was *Without Discrimination: The Delwin Vriend Case*. We also continued our on-air partnership with CJSR, established with season 2 of the podcast, for this special program featuring the voices and contributions of many who have known Delwin Vriend best. *Without Discrimination* was created by host Murray Billett with Don Bouzek and Jo-Ann Kolmes.

Learn more: citymuseumedmonton.ca/blog/delwin-vriend-case

A PLACE FOR PARTNERSHIP

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to partnerships:

FIRE recipients

media partnership

queer histories

 Arts Working Group in Indigenous Initiatives (University of Alberta) – Crowdcasting Project

HCIP recipients

- ► Canadian Classroom on Rails Experience Foundation – *Visualizing the Chinook Centre*
- Miriam Mahaffy Exploring Partnerships:
 Research and Planning Towards Accessible
 Curiosity Kits for Diverse Edmontonians

- "Congratulations on the great podcast. I laughed, I wept, and I learned things. Although I knew the story of Delwin's case generally, it was great to hear so much detail. Bravo!!"
- Listener feedback on Without Discrimination

What's Next in Partnerships?

In partnership with the National Trust for Canada, we created internships focused on built heritage mapping and municipal heritage policy. In 2022 and beyond, we will continue to develop EHC's websites (including our main site and Edmonton Heritage Network) with a focus on collaboration.

HERITAGE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The Heritage Community Investment Program (HCIP) invests funds—provided by the City of Edmonton—into the stabilization, increased professionalism, and innovation of heritage in Edmonton, for Edmontonians.





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Jessica Sanderson-Barry at Hide Camp, April 2022 (provided)

HCIP CAREER DEVELOPMENT GRANT RECIPIENT*

Jessica Sanderson-Barry -Hide Camp; Bead, Hide & Fur Symposium

cultural heritage education resurgence

In Spring 2022 after a pandemic-related delay, Jessica was able to attend Hide Camp and finish the final smoke on her first moose hide. As she looks forward to an opportunity to take part in a Bead, Hide & Fur Symposium or similar event, Jessica continues to develop her practice.

"Many moons ago my Grandfather George tanned hides with his mother. This practice was stopped and was never passed down to me due to losing him at a very young age. I am now reclaiming this traditional practice and bringing it back to my kin. This work is my medicine: it embodies who I am and where I come from. This is sovereignty. It is a reminder I am still here because of the resiliency of my relatives before me." - Jessica Sanderson-Barry

* The Career Development stream, replacing previous streams Online Learning and Travel, provides funding assistance for individuals to gain new skills and knowledge to support the development of heritage work in Edmonton. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$4,000.

HCIP RESEARCH & PLANNING GRANT RECIPIENT*

Melva Hei Tung Chen – Farewell Our Ancestors!

Melva grew up in Hong Kong before coming to Edmonton to study. Through a Research & Planning Grant, Melva can devote time to developing a future project about traditional Chinese funeral practices in relation to her adopted home country.

cultural heritage education resurgence

"This funding allows me to investigate the history of Canadian-Cantonese people in Edmonton, particularly in relation to Chinese funerals in the context of Canadian Westernization. In the future, I hope to reveal the Cantonese traditions practiced in Canada and re-embrace the contributions of Sinophone communities in Canada."

-Melva Hei Tung Chen



A PLACE FOR RESURGENCE

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to resurgence of traditional cultural practices:

Dynamic exchanges of ideas and

expertise between Edmonton's heritage sector and the world:

Create opportunities for

practitioners to develop and

promote innovative practices.

FIRE recipients

► Edmonton 2Spirit Society -Resurging 2S Pride

HCIP recipient

 Centre Communautaire d'Edmonton – Indigenous Cultural Programming: Transitions

ECAMP story

► Gifting Indigenous Ward Names by Rob Houle

Melva Hei Tung Chen (provided)

Research & Planning grants provide funding support to individuals and organizations to complete preliminary research or planning towards a larger heritage project. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$5,000.



Visual Arts Laureate: Ariane Inman is an Indigenous queer nature illustrator, Métis artist, photographer, and lifelong birder living in Sherwood Park who is excited to encourage others to become stewards of nature through art. (provided)

Historian Laureate: Keara Lightning, a member of Samson Cree Nation and an MA candidate in the Faculty of Native Studies at the University of Alberta, is researching the history of environmental management in the region in relation to Indigenous knowledge and management of land. (provided)

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Kanada Girl: Back in the Saddle (Dir: Rebecca Campbell)

HCIP COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT RECIPIENT *

Film and Video Arts Society of Alberta – The Voices of Diversity Project

diversity media Through its forty years supporting film and video arts in Northern Alberta, FAVA has built an impressive collection of documents. Given that media degrades over time, the organization is preserving these pieces in a more permanent and accessible format. The preservation and presentation of these materials will strengthen the community's engagement with the rich and diverse FAVA archives.

NEED-TO-KNOWS: FAVA

- ► An artist-run centre offering equipment, studios, and education to its members since 1982
- Facilitates affordable access to the production, exhibition, distribution, and preservation of independent screen media art in Northern Alberta
- Website: fava.ca

HCIP PROJECT ACCELERATOR GRANT RECIPIENT*

Beaver Hills Biosphere Reserve Association - Establishing Laureate Positions

cultural heritage education natural heritage With this funding, BHBRA becomes the first Canadian Biosphere to establish Historian Laureate and Visual Arts Laureate positions. The innovative initiative will unite natural heritage with arts and Indigenous knowledge.

NEED-TO-KNOWS: BEAVER HILLS BIOSPHERE -

- The Beaver Hills was designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in 2016. (UNESCO = United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)
- More than twenty partner organizations joined up to realize the Beaver Hills Biosphere, preserving a connection to the area's natural heritage
- Website: beaverhills.ca

"This unique approach will further our efforts to capture and share the rich, diverse history and culture associated with the Beaver Hills. Both individuals will serve as ambassadors and help raise the profile of the Beaver Hills' history, visual arts, and culture with audiences near and far."

- Beaver Hills Biosphere

PRESERVING YOUR PLACE ECAMPS

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to natural heritage:

HCIP recipients

- ► Miriam Mahaffy Exploring Partnerships: Research and Planning Towards Accessible Curiosity Kits for Diverse Edmontonians
- ► Yong Fei Guan Goji Paradise II

ECAMP stories

- ► Bonnie Doon in the 1950s: Community Map by Bonnie Doon Community League
- ► City as Arboretum by Dustin Bajer
- ► In Dark Times, Go to the Garden,
 Parts One and Two by Jenna Chalifoux
- ► Margaret Chappelle: The Artist Who Saved the MacKinnon Ravine by Bruce Cinnamon
- ► The End of the World: From Found Space to Keillor Point by Giselle General

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A PLACE TO PROJECT

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to film and its preservation (and presentation):

HCIP recipients

- ► Clare Mullen The Edmonton Storyteller: The Life and Times of Tony Cashman
- ► Oliver Community League #UncoverOliver Film Project

ECAMP story

The Starlite Drive-In Theatre in Jasper Place by Allie Quigley

"FAVA is pleased and proud to have been able to preserve and provide screening opportunities for a diverse selection of films and filmmakers from our Historical Collection. The opportunity to reconnect with past members as a part of this process was welcomed by all. Knowledge, preservation, and appreciation of our history contribute to our future as steward of these stories."

From Connections & Exchanges

Edmonton's neighbourhoods

offer meaningful opportunities

for heritage participation and

► Inventory and develop heritage

interpretative experiences to increase visibility, access, and

engagement:

engagement.

– Dave Morgan, Film Chair (Board of Directors, FAVA)

* Formerly known as Community Project Grants, Community Impact Project Grants assist individuals or non-profit organizations in projects that preserve, research, document, interpret, celebrate, and raise awareness Edmonton's heritage. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$20,000.

^{*} Project Accelerator Grants provide support to individuals and organizations undertaking small-scale heritage projects that tell Edmonton stories. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$10,000.



From **Connections & Exchange**

Edmonton's heritage sector, organizations, and individuals are innovative and economically resilient:

 Provide change capital to cultural organizations to meet the needs of a rapidly changing city.

HCIP CHANGE CAPITAL GRANT RECIPIENT*

Alberta Aviation Museum – Diversity & Inclusivity Training

capacity building diversity education

A long-time operational grant funding recipient, AAM is showing what is needed for heritage organizations to continue growing and thriving. Practices learned from Diversity & Inclusivity Training will continue to inform program development and delivery, making AAM's programming more accessible to all.

NEED-TO-KNOWS: ALBERTA AVIATION MUSEUM

- ► Founded in 1980; based since 1991 in a WWII airplane hangar in the Blatchford area long associated with Edmonton's position in aviation history
- In recent years, the museum has put an increasing focus on accessible, family-friendly programming
- Website: albertaaviationmuseum.com

"Since 2019, a major focus has been expanding our audience. As we began to welcome more visitors with different needs it became clear that we had to address certain barriers to visiting the museum to ensure we did not exclude any community members. Becoming more inclusive is never complete."

– Jean Middleton, AAM Program Coordinator

* Change Capital Project Grants provide funding to heritage organizations to develop internal capacity and build resilience within the heritage sector. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for a grant up to \$20,000.

AN INCLUSIVE PLACE

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to inclusivity:

HCIP recipients

- ► Edmonton Movie Club Oh Canada – A Documentary
- United Cultures of Canada Association -Coming Home to Edmonton

ECAMP stories

- ► A Brief History of the Edmonton Jewish Community by Debby Shoctor
- ► After the Pisces Bathhouse Raid:

 Michael Phair LGBTQ2S+ Activist

 and Community Leader by Darrin Hagen
- Committed to Community: Hilwie Hamdon and The Muslim Ladies' Association of Edmonton by Dr. Nadia Kurd
- ► Margaret Crang: The AOC of #yegcc circa 1933 by Bruce Cinnamon
- World War II and the Chinese Women's Club in Edmonton by Lan Chan-Marples

HCIP OPERATIONAL GRANT RECIPIENT (2022)*

Edmonton & District Historical Society

In 2021, we re-developed our Operational grant, increasing accessibility for lapsed recipients to return to the funding stream and help fund their future operations.

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capacity building education partnership

"The EDHS is very appreciative of the grant funding, which helped us host a successful Historic Festival and Doors Open week for the 25th year. EDHS draws its board members from a diversity of cultural and occupational backgrounds. Besides bringing a variety of strengths and perspectives to our organization, this leads us to explore more facets of Edmonton's history, resulting in a more meaningful connection with our audience." - EDHS Board of Directors



• NEED-TO-KNOWS: EDMONTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

- Promoting, preserving, and celebrating the history of Edmonton and the surrounding district since 1907
- Volunteer-driven activities include speaker series, historic festival, publications, tours, and special events
- Website: historicedmonton.ca

A PLACE FOR CELEBRATION

More EHC-supported work from 2021 related to festivals and celebrations:

ECAMP stories

- ► Cariwest: The Caribbean Community's Gift to Edmonton by Donna Coombs-Montrose
- ► From Edmonton Chinatown: The All-Girls
 Cultural Troupe by Lan Chan-Marples

A few organizations whose community celebrations EHC sponsored in 2021

- Canadian Museums Association
- Canadians for a Civil Society
- ► Chinese Benevolent Association of Edmonton
- ► Cultural Human Resources Council
- ► Edmonton Regional Heritage Fair
- ▶ Edmonton Social Planning Council
- ► Nile Valley Foundation
- ➤ YWCA Edmonton

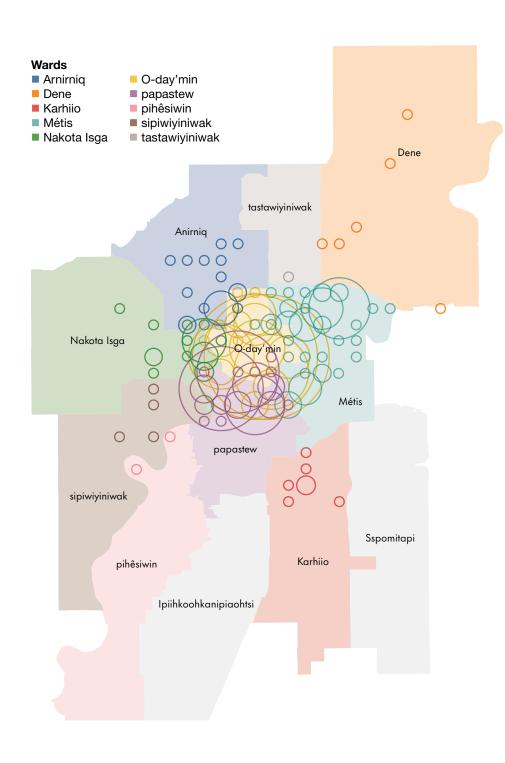
* Operational Grants provide limited operating assistance to museums, archives, and other heritage organizations so they can continue to research, preserve, and interpret Edmonton's heritage. As of 2022, each applicant may apply for up to 25% of eligible expenses.

Where Are We?

the many heritage assets listed on EHC's Edmonton Maps Heritage (EMH) website. The EHC team is collecting newer data, creating a fuller inventory of heritage assets and experiences available to Edmontonians.

Edmonton Heritage
Council's main guide
through our work is
the City of Edmonton's
Connections &
Exchanges: A 10-Year
Plan to Transform
Arts and Heritage in
Edmonton (or C&E).
With this plan in mind,
we undertook several
surveys in 2021 to gain
a better sense of the
community and inform
our future work.

62% of respondents say they are paid fairly. 36% report making under 50k.



Notes:

- ▶ Larger circle clusters represent more built heritage logged on EMH in each area
- There is no data from wards Sspomitapi or Ipiihkoohkanipiaohtsi currently collected on EMH

14%

Edmontonians from low-income households and 15% of First Nations, Métis, or Inuit respondents say that discrimination has prevented them from attending heritage and cultural activities in Edmonton.

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experienced
some discrimination,
with race/ethnicity as
well as gender identity
and/or expression
being among the
most common
responses.

38%
of respondents
cited not knowing
how to find out about
events and activities as a
barrier to participation. This is
a more acute issue for newer
Edmontonians, being cited
by 53% of those who have
lived in the city for less
than 10 years.

These surveys included:

Survey of Heritage Interpretive Resources of Edmonton (SHIRE):

Designed to augment Edmonton Maps Heritage (EMH) and its focus on built heritage, SHIRE offers a wider view of heritage as a foundation for us to build our inventory for future reporting.

Provides baseline data for the Connections & Exchanges Aim and Action below.

► Edmonton's neighbourhoods offer meaningful opportunities for heritage participation and engagement: Inventory and develop heritage interpretative experiences to increase visibility, access, and engagement.

Citizens' Survey: This survey was developed with the external research firm Advanis, focusing on citizens' participation in heritage experiences.

This survey relates most directly to the following *Connections & Exchanges* Aims.

- Remove barriers for all Edmontonians to participate in heritage experiences.
- Edmontonians have a sense of belonging and connectedness to the people, places, and stories of their city.

Heritage Community Survey:

Individuals and organizations directly involved in heritage work related experiences within the sector.

This survey relates to several Aims within *Connections & Exchanges*.

- Edmonton's heritage sector, organizations, and individuals are innovative and economically resilient.
- Edmontonians have a sense of belonging and connectedness to the people, places, and stories of their city.
- Diverse platforms for collaboration within Edmonton allow heritage communities to connect and create.

42%
of heritage
practitioners did
not access any
professional skills
development.

69%
say "heritage
experiences
have given me the
opportunity to feel
connected to a person or
people with a different
background than
mine."

Over 40%
of organizations
polled report being
not very involved or not
at all involved within
Edmonton's heritage
community.

What's Next for This Data?

The surveys conducted in 2021 give us a better picture of where we are.

As we learn about the need within the community for deeper connections, we will redevelop Edmonton Heritage Network and Edmonton Maps Heritage to give heritage practitioners, heritage organizations, and Edmontonians direct input in issues that impact them.

As of 2022, we have begun consultations to address barriers to full participation. This work will be more fully reported on through EHC's communication platforms.

2021 Financials



Where does the money come from?

- 69% City of Edmonton Grants HCIP & Program Fund Allows us to deliver programming and support for community heritage work.
- 25% City of Edmonton General Fund Supports operational expenses, personnel, office space at Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre, and other eligible costs.
- **6% Other** Includes \$73,049 from Casino Fund and small sums like membership fees and donations.



Where does the money go?

- 41% Transfers to other organizations and individuals Includes grants to heritage practitioners/organizations, event sponsorship.
- 40% Program delivery and support Including salaries, wages, and benefits.
- **9% Other** Includes advertising and promotion, office expenses, honoraria, and insurance.

The gap: a deficit of \$166,863

The difference between revenue and expenses was covered by a remainder from 2020.

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Appendix: 2021 Grant Recipients & Story Contributors

FIRE (FUNDING INDIGENOUS RESURGENCE IN EDMONTON) RECIPIENTS 2021:

Arts Working Group in Indigenous Initiatives (U of A) - Crowdcasting Project

Edmonton 2Spirit Society - Resurging 2S Pride

Inuit Community Development and Education Foundation (ICDEF) - Lighting the Qulliq

Pei Pei Chei Ow - Cooking Classes

Trent Agecoutay - Do You Hear Me Now?

HCIP (HERITAGE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM) RECIPIENTS 2021:

Project Accelerator Grant

Amal Mohamud - Flavors of Somali Edmonton Cuisine

Ana Ruiz Aguirre - YEG, Inked

Beaver Hills Biosphere Reserve Association (BHBRA) - Establishing a Photo Laureate and Visual Arts Laureate

Clare Mullen – The Edmonton Storyteller: The Life and Times of Tony Cashman (formerly known as When Tony and Edmonton Were Young)

Craig Baird - Edmonton Rural Heritage

Edmonton Movie Club - Oh Canada: A Documentary

Miranda Jimmy - kiskisiwin: Edmonton's Missing and Murdered podcast, Season 1

Natércia Napoleão - Michener Park

Omar Mouallem - The Last Baron

Rebecca Lippiatt - Edmonton in the Time of COVID: Wave 2 and Website Design

United Cultures of Canada Association - Coming Home to Edmonton

Yong Fei Guan - Goji Paradise II

Research & Planning Grant

Canadian Classroom on Rails Experience Foundation - Visualizing the Chinook Centre

Edmonton Space & Science Foundation (TELUS World of Science – Edmonton)
The Impact of Douglas Cardinal on the Edmonton Heritage Landscape

Fawnda Mithrush - Kathak, Hopak, Hip Hop: Culture and Celebration through Dance in Edmonton

Melva Hei Tung Chen - Farewell Our Ancestors!

Miranda Jimmy - Research & Planning for Local MMIW Podcast

Miriam Mahaffy - Exploring Partnerships: Research and Planning Towards Accessible Curiosity Kits for Diverse Edmontonians Richard Wood - Edmonton Culinary History Project

Ritchie Community League - A Little Bit Ritchie (RCL Centennial Podcast)

Space & Culture - Edmonton's Creative Heritage of Public Artworks

Career Development Grant

Jessica Sanderson-Barry - Hide Camp; Bead, Hide & Fur Symposium

Robert Tyndale - Part-time Youtuber Academy

Change Capital Grant

Alberta Aviation Museum - Diversity & Inclusivity Training

Alberta Genealogical Society - Combined Search Index

Edmonton Chinatown Library Foundation - Library Website Redevelopment

Loyal Edmonton Regiment Museum - Gallery Upgrades

Société Généalogique du Nord-Ouest - Inventory of Holdings

Société historique francophone d'Edmonton - Franco-Albertan Digitization Strategy

Community Project Grant (now known as Community Impact Project Grant)

Centre Communautaire d'Edmonton - Indigenous Cultural Programming: Transitions

Film and Video Arts Society of Alberta - Voices of Diversity

Oliver Community League - #UncoverOliver Film Project

Operational Grants

Alberta Aviation Museum

Alberta Genealogical Society (Edmonton Branch)

Alberta Labour History Institute

Alberta Pioneer Railway Association

Edmonton Chinatown Chinese Library

Edmonton Radial Railway Society

Loyal Edmonton Regiment Museum

Société historique francophone de l'Alberta

ECAMP (EDMONTON CITY AS MUSEUM PROJECT) STORIES 2021:

ECAMP stories are listed according to publication date.

A Brief History of the Edmonton Jewish Community by Debby Shoctor

Jake Superstein: A Man for All Faiths by Debby Shoctor

Margaret Crang: The AOC of #yegcc circa 1933 by Bruce Cinnamon

The Ice Age in Edmonton by Lawrence Herzog

Woodward's & the \$1.49 Day Tradition by Lawrence Herzog

Architect Doris Tanner: What Did She Do? Work and Life in Fine Balance by Cheryl Mahaffy

ECAMP STORIES 2021: (continued)

The Last Black West: Oklahoma Freedmen Seek Refuge in Alberta, Part 1 by Dr Russell Cobb The Last Black West: Oklahoma Freedmen Seek Refuge in Alberta, Part 2 by Dr Russell Cobb

Forest Heights: A Hidden Pocket of History by Allie Quigley

Walking Back in Time: A Stroll Through My 1960s Jasper Place by Greg Bounds

The Porter: Building a Better Canada for All by Donna Coombs-Montrose

Alfred Carrothers: Early Edmonton's Crooked Confidence Man by Aidan Forth

Queen Elizabeth II Planetarium: The Crown Jewel in Coronation Park by Tracey L Anderson

Judi Singh: A Black & South Asian musician from 1950s-70s Edmonton by Poushali Mitra

History of the Edmonton Branch of the Canadian Handicrafts Guild, 1911-1966 by Brandi Goddard

Committed to Community: Hilwie Hamdon and The Muslim Ladies' Association of Edmonton by Dr Nadia Kurd

The Starlite Drive-In Theatre in Jasper Place by Allie Quigley

The Tamale & Pupusa: A Culinary Journey To Canada by Amrita Gill

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Gifting Indigenous Ward Names by Rob Houle

The Day Bill Coull Disappeared from the Airwaves by Terry Jorden

The Last Best West: Hattie's Place, Part 3 by Dr Russell Cobb

The End of the World: From Found Space to Keillor Point by Giselle General

City as Arboretum by Dustin Bajer

Bonnie Doon in the 1950s: Community Map by Bonnie Doon Community League

Pondering Pehonan by Rob Houle

Dr. Lila Fahlman: The First Muslim Woman Awarded the Order of Canada by Bruce Cinnamon

Early Market Gardens in Edmonton by Katherine Koller

In Dark Times, Go to the Garden: Part 1 by Jenna Chalifoux

In Dark Times, Go to the Garden: Part 2 by Jenna Chalifoux

After the Pisces Bathhouse Raid: Millie - I'm Number One by Darrin Hagen

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Happy Memories of the Centennial Children's Library by Amy Wong

Louise Umphreville: Edmonton's Forgotten First Lady by Tom Long

Peter Hemingway Fitness and Leisure Centre: Architectural Masterpiece and Community Recreation Hub by Tracey L Anderson

Sustained Opposition to Black Immigration by Dr Jennifer Kelly

1960s: Emigration from the Caribbean by Dr Jennifer Kelly

Once a Teacher, Always a Teacher by Jeannette Austin-Odina

Edmonton's Caribbean Journey by Donna Coombs-Montrose

Vivacious Caribbean Teachers by Etty Shaw-Cameron

Place Renaming in Edmonton: A Constant in the City's History by Connor Thompson

Daughters of Shining Star by Jenna Chalifoux

Louise Umphreville: The Shining Star by Jenna Chalifoux

Sam the Shoemaker: Cobbling Together Community by Harma Mae Smit

Tokens of Remembrance: Indigenous Faces in Edmonton's Beaux Arts Architecture, 1907-1930 by Cole Hawkins

Dasha Goody, Born to the Stage by Debby Shoctor

A Residential School Survivor's Story of Survival and Resilience: Audio Interview by Rayna Gopaul

Cariwest: The Caribbean Community's Gift to Edmonton by Donna Coombs-Montrose

Arrivals in Late 1800s by Dr Jennifer Kelly

Alberta's Early Black Settlements by Dr Jennifer Kelly

Social Exclusion by Dr Jennifer Kelly

"Our Negro Citizens" Newspaper Columns by Dr Jennifer Kelly

ONC: Capturing Everyday Life & Challenging Stereotypes by Dr Jennifer Kelly

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Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters by Dr Jennifer Kelly

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