

CHINESE CANADIAN MUSEUM 華裔博物館

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Associate Curator - Job Posting

Chinese Canadian Museum (CCM) is seeking an experienced curator for the position of **Associate Curator**.

The Associate Curator supports the research, learning, and exhibition activities of CCM to assist in developing inspiring and innovative exhibitions that respond to CCM's strategic plan. This position interfaces with all areas of the museum and contributes to the long-term strategic planning of the organization, anticipates challenges, and creates lasting opportunities and sustainability. Working closely together with the Exhibition and Programs manager and CEO, the ideal candidate facilitates administration, coordination, and successful implementation of operational aspects of research and learning of the museum, including exhibition planning and budgeting.

The ideal candidate assists in creating new knowledge through the primary activity of research and administering research to wide-ranging publics through a variety of means including exhibitions, publications, public programs, learning and interpretive initiatives. Additional duties may include research and strategic plan development of a permanent collection, nurturing relationships with cultural practitioners, artists, historians, collectors, educators, donors, and the public.

About Chinese Canadian Museum:

The Chinese Canadian Museum Society of British Columbia was founded in March 2020 as an independent, non-profit society to establish and operate a public museum in British Columbia honouring Chinese Canadian history, contributions, and living heritage. The first museum of its kind in Canada, the Chinese Canadian Museum will exhibit arts, heritage, and cultural exhibitions that celebrate the inclusion and collaboration among Chinese Canadians, Indigenous peoples, and other communities across generations, throughout British Columbia, Canada, and the world. Guided by its mission statement "Connecting to the Chinese Canadian story – addressing inclusion for all," the Chinese Canadian Museum aspires to provide an invigorating and transformative experience for present and future generations through its exhibitions and programming throughout B.C. and Canada.

Responsibilities:

- Assists in developing the focus and scope of CCM's curatorial direction.
- Conceives, implements, and evaluates exhibition programs in consultation with the CEO, Exhibition and Programs manager and stakeholders.
- Co-develops interdisciplinary programs taking into consideration a priority of visitor experience, pluralistic research methodologies, contemporary relevance, historical importance, diversity and multiple media, formats of presentation, and ways of learning.
- Assists in ensuring high-quality, engaging exhibitions are produced including a distinct institutional vision, offering insights on exhibition design, content, layout, graphics, interpretation, and dissemination.

- Works with the outreach coordinator in reviewing media communications regarding exhibitions. Assists in exhibition related education and public program.
- Knowledge of new digital technologies which create unique visitor experiences.
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree or equivalent experience working in exhibitions preferred.
- Two to three years of experience in progressively more responsible curatorial positions involving administrative functions in established and recognized institutions.
- Broad knowledge of Chinese diaspora, both historical and contemporary, with an indepth knowledge in Chinese Canadian history.
- In-depth knowledge and experience in the operations and curating of exhibitions in a museum.
- Comprehensive knowledge of the principles, methods and techniques involved in the organization, display and care of a wide variety of historical and artistic objects.
- Excellent communication skills including writing, editing and public speaking and formal presentation.
- An additional language ability in Cantonese and/or Mandarin is highly preferred.
- Compensation: Commensurate with experience, starting at \$65,000 per year.
- This position is open until filled.

How to Apply:

- Please submit a cover letter and resume as one document to <u>Secretariat@chinesecanadianmuseum.ca</u>.
- Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.