



# CANNERY CURRENTS



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## INDOOR WINTER MARKET RETURNS OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>



### CANNERY FARMERS' MARKET 2015-16

Sundays 10am to 3pm

October 4 & 18

November 1, 15 & 29

December 6 & 20

January 17 & 31

February 7 & 21

March 6 & 20

April 3 & 17

### Cannery Farmers' Market

With over 18,000 visitors at the Cannery Farmers' Market last year, we are excited to see just as many, if not more, in our second year starting Sunday, October 4th.

The Market is a unique experience for both lower mainland residents and tourists alike. With free admission, visitors are not only supporting local food and artisan merchants, but they can also tour one of Canada's national treasures, the Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site. The Market brings new audiences inside our doors; audiences that will share their experience with others and increase

the recognition of our site.

The Market also allows us an opportunity to reflect on Steveston's rich fishing history by supporting local food merchants of today. We're excited to welcome back Campbell's Gold Honey Farm + Meadery, Wheelhouse Seafoods & Specialty Meats, Solodko Ukrainian Bakery and Sweet Thea Cakes. New vendors we're welcoming this season include Bean There Coffee Roasting Company, Muy Rico Mexican Foods, and iKosherBake, among others.

In keeping with our goal to create a community hub in Steveston where people can gather, engage and connect with one another, we'll be scheduling buskers for every market

day and hosting local community groups.

We thank you for your support in the past and hope you will bring your enthusiasm once more. Whether it's shopping at the market, volunteering, or sharing information with your families and friends, you are the key to our success. Word-of-mouth and social media are powerful tools and ones we count on for our continued operation and longevity.

We look forward to seeing you at the market!

AMANDA SITROP

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## From the Collections

For this issue of *From the Collections*, I'd like to pick your collective brains and see if we can drum up some new information about an object that was recently offered to us as a donation. I am fairly certain that this object is some kind of hand-made dip net. It has been constructed out of a metal ring with a handle on one side and a cone shaped net with a fairly fine mesh attached to it. The point of the net has a second handle fashioned out of a loop of rope. Both the net and the rope handle are made of synthetic material, indicating that it is a relatively new object.

It was found by the donor in some bushes in the area of Nootka Sound on the west coast of Vancouver Island, so unfortunately we don't really know anything else about the



history of its use. That's where you come in – have you ever seen a net like this before? Do you know how it was used and what it was used for? Contact me at 604-664-9007 or [heidi.rampfl@pc.gc.ca](mailto:heidi.rampfl@pc.gc.ca) - I'd really

like to hear your answers, or your best guess, even if you have no idea!

HEIDI RAMPFL

## OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

### The Cannery in the Community

Here's a look at some of the events that the Cannery participated in this summer.



Heritage Interpreter Mary (left) with volunteers Ralph and Edith Turner, at the Pacific Salmon Foundation's Pink Salmon Festival, held in Vanier Park on August 30.



The Society's Wild Salmon BBQ (left) helped raise funds for heating for the Cannery's School Programs at the Richmond Maritime Festival held at Britannia Heritage Shipyards on August 8 & 9. A huge thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the BBQ!



We also had an outreach tent at the same Maritime Festival, to help promote the Cannery and its mission to the thousands of visitors who attended the popular Steveston festival. Here's Heritage Interpreters Abigail (second from left) and Mary (far right), hamming it up with volunteer Xin (centre) and the "Cannery Mermaids".

## WELCOME SHANNON & AMANDA!

### Meet the newest members of the Cannery team

Last August, we were very pleased to welcome two new members to our staff!

Shannon King takes the position of Manager of Audience Engagement, replacing Karen Lee as Public Programs Manager. Shannon will be overseeing all of the ways that we engage our audiences to fulfill our mission, including exhibits, public programming, special events, online initiatives and more.

Shannon brings extensive experience in working with the public and a wealth of knowledge of BC's social and natural history. She joins us from the Fraser River Discovery Centre. In Shannon's words, "From salmon and sturgeon to silt and sea views, I love everything about the Fraser River estuary. With a background in interpretation and informal

education, I enjoy creating opportunities for visitors to explore their own connections to the Fraser River."

Amanda Sittrop joins us as the new Public Programs Coordinator. Amanda replaces Patricia Toti as Special Events Coordinator and Annika Penner as Public Programs Assistant. She brings great experience in community museum work and is responsible for the delivery of special events and exciting public programming.

According to Amanda, "Growing up in a household filled with food, music, and art naturally steered my career to heritage and culture. After five years in collections and curatorial work in Canmore and White Rock, I found my true calling in public programming and am excited to bring my dedication and cheesy sense of humour to the Cannery team."

I hope you will take a moment to

say hello to Shannon and Amanda next time you come by the Cannery.

REBECCA CLARKE



Amanda (left) and Shannon (right) enjoying stories with their Cannery friend!

## WHAT'S NEW IN THE CANNERY STORE

### Great Books for Children of All Ages!

Now that the kids are back in school, thought turns to indoor activities they can do, like reading some of the great books at the Cannery Store.

Popular entertainers Bobs & Lolo have written *Run Salmon Run*, an easy to understand book on the salmon life cycle beautifully illustrated by Lori Joy Smith and put out by the BC Salmon Marketing Council. From egg through alevin and fry to spawning, the epic story of the salmon life cycle is told in a fun but informative manner.

Canadian author Collen Snyder and illustrator Brooke Kerrigan have collaborated on a whimsical

book titled *Fishermen Through & Through*, which spins a yarn of fishing, dreams and loyalty.

Older children will enjoy *Fin's Swim* by Helen O'Brian and illustrated by Debbie Bowles. It tells the true story of competitive swimmer Fin Donnelly's epic adventure swimming the length of the Fraser River. Now a Member of Parliament, Donnelly's adventure explored the river, its history and the issues facing it, over the course of a 21-day swim.

Last but not least, Richmond's own Charlotte Diamond has a

great book for the youngest reader, *Slippery Fish in Hawai'i*. It takes her popular *Slippery Fish* song and sets the lyrics to colourful illustrations by John Aardema. All of these books are sure to be hit as Christmas or birthday gifts, so drop in and pick up a copy.

ROB HART



