

# 2015-2019 CREATIVE CITY SUMMITS

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## Creative City Network of Canada Announces Host Municipalities for the 2015-2019 Creative City Summits

### Creative City Summits 2015 - 2019 Host Municipalities

2015 - Kelowna, BC

2016 - Surrey, BC

2017 - Halifax, NS

2018 - Mississauga, ON

2019 - Saskatoon, SK

### About Hosting

Hosting a Creative City Summit puts the host municipality in the spotlight that year and raises the profile of the community across Canada by encouraging people to visit and experience the community's cultural resources. The Summit can also strengthen the support for culture within the community and highlight local achievements.

**(May 14, 2014) Vancouver, BC** - Creative City Network of Canada is pleased to announce the host municipalities for the Creative City Summits for 2015 through 2019.

Last fall CCNC put out a call for applications from member municipalities to host a Creative City Summit in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. A record number of submissions were received for the bid process, with an initial intake of 21 submissions.

The Host Bid Selection Committee Members and staff met to adjudicate the submissions based on the criteria, technical review and qualitative discussion amongst the Committee members. The calibre of submissions and increased interest in hosting a Summit required a thorough and extensive analysis by the Committee. The decision of the Committee was unanimous.

Based on the high quality of the submissions, the number of applications and regional representation, the committee also recommended that the bid dates be extended to include 2019.

### The Host Municipalities

#### 2015 - Kelowna, BC

"The City of Kelowna is proud to welcome Creative City Summit delegates in 2015. We are thrilled to host our cultural development colleagues from across the country, and we're looking forward to sharing an authentic Okanagan cultural experience with them."

Sandra Kochan, Cultural Services Manager

## Host City Bid Selection Committee Members

### Nichola Reddington

Committee Chair,  
City of Victoria, BC

### Elena Bird

City of Toronto, ON

### Carol Beatty

City of Medicine Hat, AB

### Sarah Douglas-Murray

Town of Oakville, ON

### Beth Rajnovich

City of Waterloo, ON

### Konrad Skorupa

City of Toronto, ON

## About The CCNC

The Creative City Network of Canada (CCNC) is an organization of municipal staff, organizations and individuals working in communities across Canada on arts, cultural and heritage policy, planning, development and support. The CCNC exists to connect and educate the people who do this work and share this working environment so we can be more effective in cultural development in our communities. By sharing experience, expertise, information and best practices, members support each other through dialogue, both in person and online.

### 2016 - Surrey, BC

“The City of Surrey is excited to host the 2016 Creative City Summit,” says City of Surrey Mayor, Dianne Watts. “Together with our many partners from the arts community, this will be a wonderful opportunity for the City to showcase its unique cultural diversity, numerous arts and heritage venues, and impressive public art collection to leaders and influencers from Canada’s arts sector.”

### 2017 - Halifax, NS

“As a city working to support our cultural sector in new ways, we see tremendous benefit in hosting conversations on the role of arts, culture and creativity in building cities. We welcome the opportunity to host delegates in Halifax and to showcase our city’s rich tradition of arts and culture.”  
- Halifax Mayor, Mike Savage

### 2018 - Mississauga, ON

“The City of Mississauga is pleased to host our culture colleagues from across the country in 2018 for the Creative City Summit,” said Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion. “As Canada’s sixth largest city, we’re looking forward to sharing Mississauga’s rich and diverse cultural experience with the delegates attending the summit. We’ll also be networking and sharing information with municipalities across Canada to build our successes in planning and developing culture in our communities.”

### 2019 - Saskatoon, SK

“The City of Saskatoon is honoured to have been chosen to host the Creative City Summit in 2019. As a rapidly growing creative and cultural city, we are very excited to showcase Saskatoon’s cultural diversity with our colleagues from across the country.” - Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Creative City Network of Canada would like to thank all municipalities that submitted an application to host a Creative City Summit.

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