



YVR Art Foundation Announces 2024 Art Scholarship Recipients and Awards \$55,000 to Indigenous Artists

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MUSQUEAM TERRITORY/RICHMOND, B.C: YVR Art Foundation announces 11 recipients of the 2024 YVR Art Foundation art scholarship awards. YVR Art Foundation offers annual scholarships to B.C. and Yukon First Nations artists who create visual art that reflects B.C. or Yukon First Nations culture.

“On behalf of YVR Art Foundation, I extend heartfelt congratulations to the artists selected as the 2024 YVRAF Scholarship recipients,” said Elisabeth Kyle, Executive Director, YVR Art Foundation. “We are proud to be able to support the artistic and career development of emerging and mid-career First Nations artists from across B.C. and Yukon. It is truly inspiring to meet a new cohort of remarkable artists each year and to provide opportunities for art mentorships, education, exhibition and community projects.”

YVR Art Foundation scholarships are awarded to B.C. and Yukon First Nations artists in two categories: Emerging and Mid-Career. The Emerging Artist Scholarship is for artists aged 17 to 29 to further develop their art practice through working with an artist mentor or attending a school of art over a one-year period. For artists looking to take their work to a new level or extend it to a new area, the Mid-Career Artist Scholarship is for artists aged 30 and older to study with a master artist, pursue a special community project, or attend a school of art over a one-year period.

Scholarship recipients are selected through a formal adjudication process and by a jury composed of established Indigenous artists and curators. Each recipient is awarded \$5,000.

Recipients of the 2024 YVR Art Foundation Emerging Artist Scholarships

Randi Ball, Tahltan and Tlingit
Kashka Clellamin, Nuxalk
Grace Edwards, Snaw-Naw-As
Chase Gray, Musqueam
James Joseph Kwaksistala, Kwakwaka'wakw
Cochise Seitcher, Nuuchanulth
Serena Steel, Secwépemc

Recipients of the 2024 YVR Art Foundation Mid-Career Artist Scholarships

Delphine Campbell, Musqueam
Shoshannah Greene, Haida
Kwiaahwah Jones, Haida and Nishgaa
Jay Simeon, Haida and Blackfoot

For nearly 20 years, we have been proud supporters of the vision and efforts of YVR Art Foundation and its annual scholarship program,” said Tamara Vrooman, President & CEO at Vancouver International Airport. “I want to extend sincere congratulations to the talented recipients of this year’s YVR Art Foundation scholarships. It is our privilege to display the scholarship-winning works of art by B.C. and Yukon Indigenous artists.”

Since 2005, YVR Art Foundation has awarded more than 215 scholarships, grants and awards to B.C. and Yukon First Nations artists totaling over \$805,000. More than 120 scholarship recipient artists have exhibited their work at the Vancouver International Airport (YVR), contributing to YVR’s well-known sense of place.

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About YVR Art Foundation

YVR Art Foundation is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that supports the development and advancement of BC and Yukon First Nations art and artists by providing scholarships, grants, awards and exhibition opportunities. YVR Art Foundation is funded through generous support from Vancouver International Airport (YVR) as well as individual, foundation, corporate donors and sponsors. For more information about the YVR Art Foundation, visit www.yvraf.com.

YVR Art Foundation’s offices are located at Vancouver International Airport, which we acknowledge is on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam people.

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