



Kamloops Arts Council Safety Plan

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Following BC's Restart Plan Phase 2 The Kamloops Arts Council Galleries will be open to the public starting July 24, 2020. In preparation the KAC staff has developed a thorough workplace and gallery safety plan, which details the protocols we will follow as set by the Provincial Health Office, Work Safe BC and World Health, Safety and the Environment guidelines. The following Public Safety Plan outlines how we will protect the visitors from the risks of COVID-19 during their engagement with the gallery.

Goal:

To open The Kamloops Arts Council Galleries as a safe cultural site for community audiences to enjoy and learn from art exhibitions.

Assuring Visitor Safety:

A sign posted at the front door asks visitors to self assess before entering the gallery according to the self-assessment tool at <https://www.thrive.health/health-canada-self-assessment-tool>. No one who is sick, experiencing symptoms, or has been travelling internationally within the last two weeks will be permitted in the building.

Visitors are asked to use hand sanitizer available upon entry.

Signage in lobby and throughout gallery reminds visitors to respect physical distancing of 2 meters while in the gallery.

A maximum of 12 visitors are allowed in the Old Courthouse main floor KAC Galleries at a time. Whenever possible, a volunteer "greeter" will manage numbers and encourage people to return later if capacity is reached. Wearing masks are a requirement, and we can provide if needed.

As the galleries are free to the public, there are no issues with exchanging payment.

Sale of artwork, however will be taken by the volunteer greeter or staff with a barrier in place at the front desk to protect both visitor and staff / volunteer. Cash sales are discouraged. All devices used in the sale will be wiped down with an appropriate disinfectant wipe between uses.

Exhibitions are designed with no-touch interaction.

Interior gallery doors are propped open to prevent the need to touch handles.

Prior to coming to work, it is mandatory that each KAC staff member self assess according to the self assessment tool at: <https://www.thrive.health/health-canada-self-assessment-tool>. No staff member who is feeling ill or has symptoms will be permitted to enter the gallery.

The KAC offices and galleries receive a deep clean and sanitization each morning. Staff sanitize all surfaces such as handles, knobs, switches and washroom fixtures half-way through the day according to Work Safe BC guidelines and as needed.

Staff are trained in and follow physical distancing, cleaning and personal hygiene protocol as according to Work Safe BC guidelines. Staff are committed to all aspects of the gallery's full safety plan.

All artist receptions or event type gatherings have been put on hold.

Restrooms are closed to the public at this time.

We are dedicated to serving you safely. Please let us know if you have any questions at info@kamloopsarts.ca