

#SLCCWhistler



SLCC BREAKING GROUND ON \$1.96M IN UPGRADES STARTING APRIL 5

April 1, 2021, Whistler BC: Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre (SLCC) will be closed April 5 – 28 as upgrades are made to the concrete floors in the Great Hall and Gallery 2. Made possible by the Government of Canada and Province of BC's Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Grant, the SLCC is honoured to receive \$1.96 million during the first round of recreation grant disbursements.

The renovations this grant enables will enhance and maintain the integrity of the physical building where our Skwxwú7mesh and Lil'wat cultures meet, grow and are shared. Upgrades and renovations will ensure that the SLCC can continue to hold space for the cultures of both the Skwxwú7mesh Úxumixw and Lil'wat7úl through activities, tours, community outreach, exhibits and key museum functions that meet – and exceed – our guests' expectations. Upgrades will also allow the facility to accept a wider range of exhibits and artifacts from the broader museum and heritage community that help increase understanding of Indigenous cultures as well as assist in repatriation initiatives for Squamish and Lil'wat Nations.

Additional renovation activities that will be carried out include an overhaul of the HVAC/Air Conditioning/Heating system update control system (install energy efficient in-line boilers, retrofit select components to allow for passive technology air conditioning); refurbishing of floors and exterior; and upgrades to outdated sound, light, and surveillance equipment. Additional works to aid in culture and language revitalization include updating of all public facing interpretive/storyboard panels to include recent linguistic changes of Skwxwú7mesh Snichem (Squamish language) and Ucwalmícwts (Lil'wat language).

The SLCC will reopen Thursday, April 29, 2021 with temporary exhibit *Boarder X* on display in Gallery 2.

About the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – British Columbia: <http://bit.ly/ProvofBCICIP>.

About Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre (SLCC)

Spo7ez Cultural Centre and Community Society is a registered Canadian charity and the first centre of its kind in Canada. The Squamish and Lil'wat Nations came together to celebrate and share our cultures with the world while creating meaningful employment opportunities for members of both nations. By sharing where we are from and where we are going, our visitors acquire a greater understanding of our Nations and the shared territories that Whistler resides upon. www.slcc.ca



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