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Unleash your creativity and join the RBCM's Night Shift

Victoria, BC – For those who have yet to experience the Royal BC Museum after closing, don't delay. Coming up on Friday, Nov. 21, the Royal BC Museum is open to explore for the night – with a creative twist.

The museum and archives' adult-only evening event *Night Shift: Creative Collections* offers a schedule of artistic-inspired activities, which guests can customize to their liking. Kicking off the evening is an art opening featuring the work of the Royal BC Museum's artists in residence, Gareth Gaudin, Aimee van Drimmelen and Lindsay Delaronde. The trio has been behind the scenes of the Royal BC Museum for the past year creatively chronicling the extraordinary objects and specimens that make up the museum and archives collections. Visitors are sure to be inspired by their incredible projects.

The party will then explore the Natural History galleries. Night Shifters will have the opportunity to try their hand at the sketching stations throughout the galleries, ask questions of Royal BC Museum curators and explore new soundscapes for the exhibitions.

In the Human History gallery, a group of sound artists, musicians and photographers will turn an unexpected lens on the collections. Guests can work beside a shoe designer to create a shoe for British Columbia and watch historic images come to life in a magic lantern show. The activities will be playful and irreverent, but never irrelevant.

Tickets for *Night Shift: Creative Collections* are \$30 each with a ten-per-cent discount for members. The late-night event starting at 8 pm is for adults only and ID is required at the door, as there will be a cash bar.

Also, for the first time, those under 19 who want to join in the fun can attend the *Early Shift* from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person, \$30 per family (two adults and up to three youth). Activities for *Early Shift* will be the same, only with juice and cookies.

To purchase tickets for either event, visit royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/events/night-shift-creative-collections/ or call 250-356-7226.

About the Royal BC Museum

The Royal BC Museum explores the province's human history and natural history, advances new knowledge and understanding of BC, and provides a dynamic forum for discussion and a place for reflection. The museum and archives celebrate culture and history, telling the stories of BC in ways that enlighten, stimulate and inspire. Looking to the future, by 2017 the Royal BC Museum will be a refreshed, modern museum, extending its reach far beyond Victoria as a world-class cultural venue and repository of digital treasures.

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