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Royal BC Museum Curator of History Appointed to the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board

VICTORIA, BC—Today, Dr. Tzu-I Chung, Royal BC Museum Curator of History, was appointed to the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board (CCPERB) on the recommendation of the Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Canadian Heritage.

An independent, quasi-judicial, expert-led administrative tribunal, CCPERB helps to ensure Canada's cultural property is protected, preserved, and accessible. CCPERB provides accountability and support to the institutions and individuals who create, acquire, and engage in the exchange of cultural property.

CCPERB's **oversight helps** build and maintain Canada's **artistic, historic** and scientific heritage.

Dr. Chung is a cultural and social historian, specializing in the study of transnational migration within the context of historical, cultural and economic interactions between North America and Asia-Pacific.

Since joining the Royal BC Museum in 2011, Dr. Chung's curatorial research has focused on working closely with **BC's diverse** communities on their history, cultural heritage and global connections. She has led, facilitated and participated in significant community heritage projects with diverse community leaders, activists, historians, artists, educators and others.

The result of this collaboration is a host of award-winning community partnership initiatives, like the [Chinese Canadian Legacy Project](#), [Punjabi Canadian Legacy Project](#) and the [Centre of Arrivals Project](#).

"This moment in time, more than any other in memory, is critical in determining how we will move forward as a country," **says** Dr. Brandt Louie, the President and CEO of H.Y. Louie Co. Limited, and a Chinese Canadian community leader. "It is important that **BC's diverse community experiences** are represented on the national stage."



“Dr. Chung’s appointment to this federal board is a worthy recognition of her expertise of BC’s minority community heritage, which is key to our understanding of Canadian national history and culture,” says Dr. Satwinder Bains, the Director of the South Asian Canadian Studies Institute at the University of the Fraser Valley, a prominent community leader and a long-term institutional partner.

Dr. Chung received her PhD from the University of Arizona, where she studied political economy, critical race theories, representation in the arts, media and culture, and comparative cultural and social history.

For more information about Dr. Chung, visit staff.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/author/rbcm_tchung/. For more information about CCPERB, visit ccperb-ccee.bc.ca/en/index-en.html.

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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. Located in Victoria on the traditional territory of the Lekwungen (Songhees and Xwsepsum Nations), we are a hub of community connections in BC—onsite, offsite and online—taking pride in our collective histories.

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