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***Margaret Chrumka Joins AGGV as
Director of Visitor Experience and Programs***

Nancy Noble, Director/CEO of the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria announced today that Margaret Chrumka has accepted the position of Director of Visitor Experience and Programs at the Gallery, she will join the AGGV on January 13, 2025.

"I am thrilled to welcome Margaret to the Gallery," said AGGV Director/CEO Nancy Noble. "Margaret brings significant knowledge of art and the arts sector in BC, management experience, and knowledge and experience of gallery operations. Her skills will be invaluable to the AGGV as we move to improve our experience and build a new Gallery."

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Margaret Chrumka has worked in and around the arts sector for over 30 years. A graduate in History, with a complement of many History of Art courses, from the University of Victoria (1987) and a Master's degree from the University of Toronto (1989), Margaret started her journey in the arts as a summer student in the Archives Department at the Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Alberta. She moved on to work in administration at the Kootenay School of the Arts, Nelson, BC, and then at the Salmon Arm Arts Centre, Salmon Arm, BC. After various jobs supporting arts programming in post secondary institutions and then a stint in the for-profit world at Salmon Arm Savings and Credit Union, Chrumka joined the Management Team at the Kamloops Art Gallery, Kamloops, BC, in 2012 and was appointed Executive Director in 2017. Margaret has served on the boards of the Shuswap Community Foundation, Kamloops Centre for the Arts Society, Canadian Museums Association, and Canadian Art Museum Directors Organization-Organisation des directeurs des musées d'art Canadiens.

"Working in the arts for the last couple of decades, I've always been impressed with the exhibitions and opportunities for artists that the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria has offered. The Gallery and community are also so fortunate to have such a significant collection of artwork to share, allow for research, and interpret," said Chrumka. "I'm deeply honoured to be joining this team and to have this opportunity to further the Gallery's efforts in connecting with the community through art. For me, the work of artists has opened opportunities to grapple with tough issues, feel joy, consider my perspective, and heighten my appreciation, I look forward to sharing this commitment with the AGGV community and beyond."

The Art Gallery of Greater Victoria sits on the unceded and traditional territories of the ləkʷəŋən Peoples, today known as the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.

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