



Manager of the Surrey Art Gallery

Posted by City of Surrey

Posting Date : 25-Feb-2026

Closing Date : 24-Aug-2026

Location : Surrey

Salary : \$\$108,999–\$128,234 Per Year

Job Requirements

- **Education:** Bachelor's
- **Language:** English
- **Years of Experience:** 1 year
- **Vacancy:** 1
- **Job Type:** Full Time
- **Job id:** ABOJ7177049

Job Description:

Location

13750 88 Avenue, Surrey, BC

Children's One of Canada's fastest-growing

cities, the City of Surrey is a world-renowned pioneer in using innovation and technology to create thriving, sustainable communities.

Employees of the community of Surrey are gifted creatives who are motivated by fulfilling work and the chance to advance both their careers and our community. Construct a city. Create a Future in Surrey City.

Workplace Situation

Exempt: Full-Time Regular

The extent

For fifty years, Surrey Art Gallery has been a preeminent institution of contemporary art, well known for its award-winning exhibits and educational initiatives. The Gallery is dedicated to continuing the conversation with the public about topics and concepts that impact our daily lives. Serving and influencing the future of Surrey Art Gallery, a "Class A" art museum and one of the most prestigious public art galleries in British Columbia, is a unique and thrilling opportunity. Surrey's future is bright. The City of Surrey, which will soon surpass all other cities in the province in population, has ambitious ambitions to create a thriving downtown. The centerpiece of the new City Centre Entertainment District will be a 60,000-square-foot interactive art museum. The Interactive Art Museum, which is anticipated to be five times bigger than the Surrey Art Gallery's existing footprint inside Surrey Arts Centre, will serve as a regional hub for contemporary art with outstanding exhibits, activities, and events.

While keeping an eye on the Gallery's future, the City of Surrey is seeking a dynamic and cooperative Gallery Manager to guide a gifted group of curators, educators, programmers, instructors, and volunteers in creating exceptional exhibitions and programs that are representative of the communities it serves. As you build relationships with artists, organizations, communities, and locals, you will advocate for access and inclusion, innovation, and creative quality.

Accountability

You will oversee the institution's operations and programming to reach or go beyond national standards of excellence in your role as gallery manager.

Lead the institution's future growth while planning for a new building.

Take the lead in strategic planning projects and see to their goals.

Supervise, mentor, and coach senior employees.

Make connections and cultivate links with the general public, the economic and artistic communities, and all governmental levels.

Create and oversee yearly operational budgets, as well as identify and formulate business requirements.

In charge of fundraising initiatives, such as contributions, grants, and sponsorships from the private sector.

Organize and take part in regional and national public relations and marketing campaigns.

As a member of the leadership team for Cultural Services, take part in city cultural planning projects.

Support the Surrey Art Gallery Association Board's growth and strategic planning efforts by serving as an ex officio member.

Prepare and present a variety of reports and presentations to donors, the City Council, committees, etc., about the Gallery's activities and future.

Prerequisites

a college degree in an associated field (museum studies, art history, cultural management, etc.). A graduate degree is advantageous.

At least five years of increasingly accountable experience in providing cultural services and programs, including staff supervision and facilities management.

a thorough and extensive understanding of the current arts, as well as the local, national, and future trends and practices.

shown aptitude for managing and overseeing a large and productive workforce.

Strong interpersonal skills in establishing and maintaining connections with a wide variety of employees, community members, artists, arts organizations, and the general public.

Proven ability to write reports, submit grant applications, and make presentations to a variety of audiences.

strong analytical, research, project management, strategic thinking, and problem-solving skills.

strong planning, forecasting, and budget management skills.

Long-term planning and cultural infrastructure project experience.

Understanding collective bargaining and how to operate in a unionized workplace

the capacity to balance conflicting demands and operate in a fast-paced setting.

It is advantageous to have prior municipal job experience.

Other Details

About the Surrey Art Gallery:

Surrey Art Gallery was established in 1975 and features modern artwork by regional, national, and worldwide artists, as well as audio and video art. The Gallery, which is well-known for its award-winning initiatives, offers chances for interaction with

artists and the creative process while including kids and adults in current discussions that impact our lives. The Gallery is situated on the unceded lands of the Salish Peoples, which include the Katzie, Kwantlen, and Semiahmoo tribes, in Surrey at 13750 88 Avenue. Surrey Art Gallery is appreciative of operations funds provided by the City of Surrey, Province of British Columbia via the Surrey Art Gallery Association, Canada Council for the Arts, and BC Arts Council.

Other Details

One position is available. The salary range is M2-\$108,999-\$128,

Employment Conditions

A police information check must be completed for this post. Successful candidates need to provide documentation of their credentials.

Final Date

On February 28, 2026, this position will close.

Our principles

Honesty, Service, Collaboration, Innovation, and Community Art Experience Curator

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