



VANCOUVER  
**HERITAGE**  
FOUNDATION

# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT



2020 Virtual Heritage House Tour

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## OUR MISSION

Vancouver Heritage Foundation promotes the appreciation and conservation of our city's historic places for current and future generations.

VHF does this by creating opportunities and resources to learn about Vancouver's history and heritage places, and providing practical support for the successful conservation of historic buildings and sites.

VHF recognizes the diverse history and cultural heritage of Vancouver and that the city is located on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwx̱wú7mesh (Squamish), and səliilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) peoples.

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2020 Heritage Conservation Grant recipient - True Colours

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Despite a challenging year, VHF maintained a variety of engaging educational programming, including over 30 events. While 19 planned events had to be postponed and then cancelled, new events were launched in virtual format from May onwards. Through events and communications including e-newsletters and social media, VHF connected with over 12,000 people and reached many more through media coverage.

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Evening Lectures

Four **Evening Lectures** discussed topics relevant to Vancouver's history and heritage. The first event in early March was held in person while three lectures in the fall were in virtual format. Topics included urban planning, photographer Yucho Chow, nightlife and venues, and garden design history.

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Virtual Strolls

The popular walking tours program was replaced with an innovative **Virtual Stroll** series. Working with historian John Atkin, seven tours with video and Q&A were presented. The featured neighbourhoods included Strathcona, Cedar Cove, Marpole, Cedar Cottage, Point Grey, MacKenzie Heights, and Beaconsfield/Renfrew.

Heritage Week

VHF highlighted **Heritage Week**, a provincial celebration of heritage places held in February, this time with the theme of "2020 Vision: Bringing the Past into the Future." The third annual Places That Matter Community Celebration at Heritage Hall kicked off the week and was an opportunity to share stories and community connections with presentations and displays from individuals and organizations. Heritage Week also included a walking tour on adaptive reuse and industrial heritage and a mid-project tour of the restoration work at St. Andrews-Wesley Church.

Heritage House Tour

The Heritage House Tour is a large annual one-day event that has been held in early June since 2003. In 2020, the event was presented in a virtual format as the **Heritage House Tour 2020 Online**. Three short videos and free online mini map guides were made available, and two virtual events highlighted city and neighbourhood history, architecture and conservation practice.

Special Events

In February, VHF hosted a special tour of the Gabriola Mansion with heritage consultant Donald Luxton and architectural historian Jim Wolf. Participants learned about the history of the house and its impressive architectural features including stained glass by the Blomfield Brothers, imposing fireplaces and the sandstone exterior sourced from Gabriola Island.



Evening Lecture with Catherine Clement  
"Chinatown Through a Wide Lens"



Evening Lecture with Michael Kluckner  
"A Century of Planning Vancouver: From Bartholomew to City Plan"



Installation of Henri Robideau's "The Giant Hand and the Birth of Gianthropology"

VHF continued the public art collaboration "The WALL" at the CBC plaza, a partnership with CBC Radio-Canada with support from JJ Bean Coffee Roasters and produced with City of Vancouver Public Art.

The 11th annual exhibit featured a new artwork by artist Henri Robideau entitled, "The Giant Hand and the Birth of Gianthropology."



Places That Matter Community Celebration at Heritage Hall (Photo: Kamran Safari)

In 2020, the Places That Matter Community History Resource website continued to grow with research, photographs and community submissions. The 3rd annual Places That Matter Community Celebration was held during Heritage Week in February.

VHF Staff presented a session at the Engineers and Geoscientists of BC conference in October on 'Heritage Structures: Opportunities and Challenges.'

VHF's **Old School: Courses for Building Conservation** continued to provide individual workshops as well as a certificate program for professionals and homeowners.

VHF presented the following workshops in 2020:

- Historical Colours Analysis
- Heritage 101: Introduction to Heritage Conservation
- Planning a Heritage Garden
- Researching the History of a Building Online
- Steps for Sustainability: Historical Windows and Doors

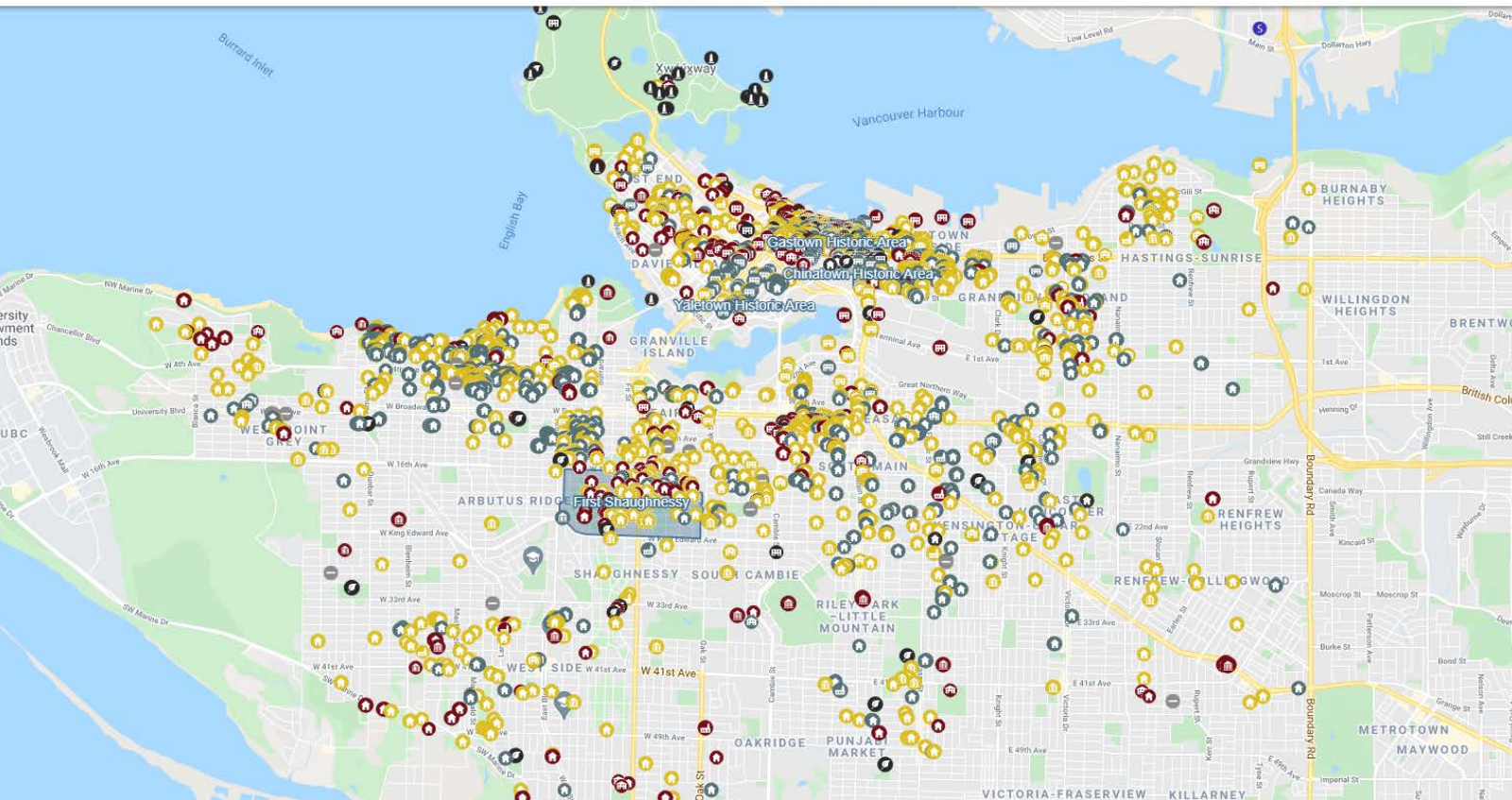


Planning a Heritage Garden with Christine Allen



The **Heritage Site Finder interactive map** of the Vancouver Heritage Register continued to be updated and added to with the help of volunteer photographers and researchers. Historic Areas were added to the map and a form was implemented to invite information and photographs from community members. The map provides a key public source of information on Vancouver's heritage buildings and sites. [www.heritagesitefinder.ca](http://www.heritagesitefinder.ca)

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Book Grant drop-off at General Brock Elementary School

VHF's **Schools Program** includes two grant programs that provide books to educators and funds for heritage-related field trips. In 2020, boxes of local history and heritage books were delivered to 15 Vancouver schools and grants supported 10 field trips (virtual museum and site visits and guest speakers for class sessions).

The Schools Program also includes support for educators with online resources and project ideas as well as a Heritage Study Guide available through our website.

In 2020, staff also presented two full-day Professional Development Days with a variety of guest speakers.



Book Grant drop-off at Walter Moberly Elementary School



2020 Heritage Conservation Grant recipient - Cutters

The **Heritage Conservation Grants Program** was launched in September 2019 with \$300,000 in annual funding from the City of Vancouver.

The spring and fall intakes in 2020 saw 58 applications, with 46 offered grants.

In 2020, 25 previously awarded projects completed with supported work including restoration of siding and stonework, repair of windows and roofing, and painting in historically authentic colours using VHF's True Colours palette.



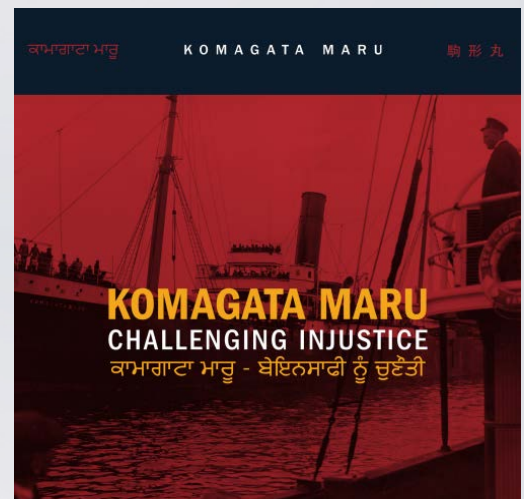
2020 Heritage Conservation Grant recipient - True Colours

The **Heritage Energy Retrofit Grant** was first developed with the City of Vancouver Sustainability Group and City Green Solutions in 2015 and since 2019 has been supported with funding from the City of Vancouver. The program offers grants and support to pre-1940 or Heritage Register homes to incentivize reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and water conservation measures.

In 2020, 30 applications were received and 19 homes were admitted to the program. These homeowners are now pursuing retrofits including insulation, air sealing, storm windows, and the installation of electric air source heat pumps.

The **Yosef Wosk Publication Grant** program supports new, original publications in a variety of media on aspects of Vancouver's heritage. In 2020, grants were awarded to four projects for a total of \$10,000. Supported projects included:

- Komagata Maru Challenging Injustice (Website)
- Sounds like Japanese Canadian to Me - The Marpole Monogatari (Podcast)
- Mount Pleasant Stories: Historical Walking Tours Around Vancouver's First Suburb (Book)
- Keys to Living Heritage: Chinatown's Society-Owned Buildings (Website)





VHF events throughout the year generate revenue to help cover costs of programs and projects. However, essential funding comes from donations and fundraising each year. Interest income from investments, sponsorships, grants, and donations for specific projects also contribute vital support to enable VHF's programs.

VHF continued to work on strengthening funding and organizational capacity in 2020; however, the priority through much of the year was to maintain adequate funding to sustain initiatives and weather the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

VHF received federal government relief funding through the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy program, receiving \$129,688 during the year. With program and fundraising revenues from large events such as the Heritage House Tour severely reduced by the pandemic, this enabled the staff team to work on sustaining and adapting programs in order to keep delivering on VHF's mission.

## FUNDRAISING

VHF relies on annual fundraising efforts to sustain educational programs, online resources, and granting activities throughout the year. Individual donations and fundraising events are key to VHF's continued success.

In 2020, with in-person events not possible, VHF's fundraising focused on an annual campaign and an online fundraising auction held in the fall.

Matching funds for the annual campaign were provided by three generous donors to help encourage strong participation.

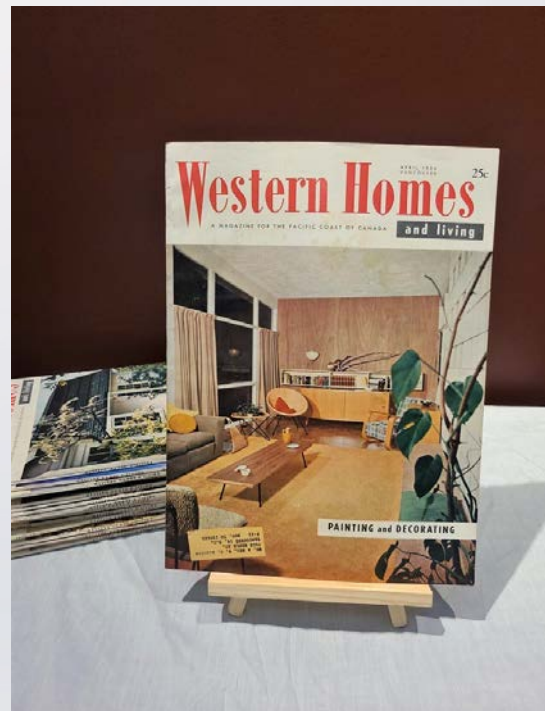
VHF's first ever online auction offered a range of items donated by local businesses, organizations, and individuals.



### Fall Heritage Auction

Bid on unique heritage-themed items and experiences

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## ENDOWMENT FUNDS

VHF has two endowment funds that have been established to sustain the organization in the long term and support programs each year through interest income. They are managed by the Vancouver Heritage Foundation and by Odlum Brown Limited. VHF is grateful to the Founding Pillars and Endowment Donors who have contributed generously to these funds, starting in 2003.

Value at December 31, 2020

VHF Fund at Odlum Brown Limited	\$909,047.20
VHF Fund at Vancouver Foundation	\$480,255.90

## VHF FUNDS FOR LONG-TERM PROJECTS

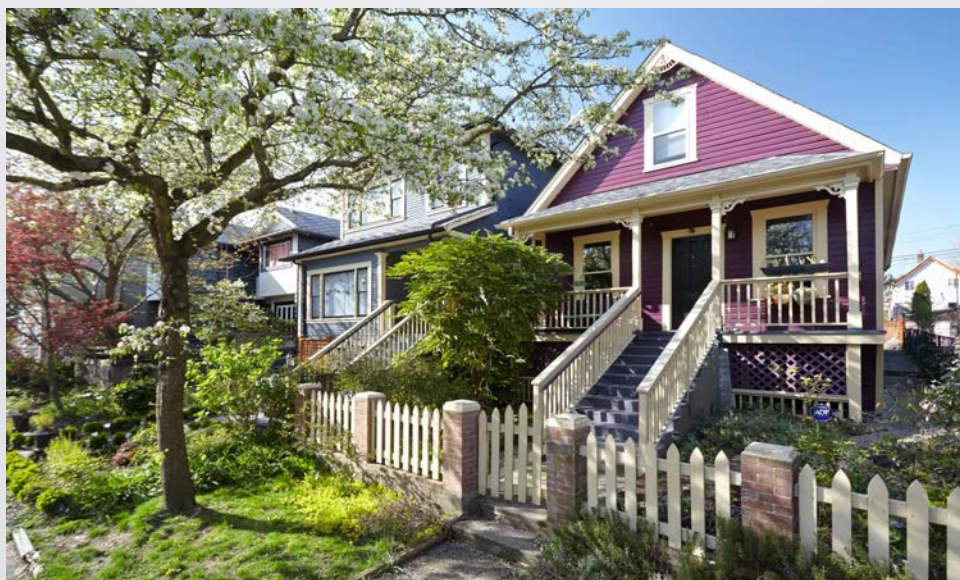
VHF has two funds that have been established to support long-term initiatives. The 'Save The Buildings Fund' was launched in 2008 to be used to purchase and protect heritage sites. The 'Yosef Wosk Publication Fund' was established with a generous donation from Dr. Yosef Wosk and provides the funding for the Yosef Wosk Publication Grant program.

Value at December 31, 2020

Save The Buildings Fund	\$195,572.62
Yosef Wosk Publication Fund	\$76,366.51

VHF welcomes donations to all of these funds to help sustain the work of the organization to ensure a positive future for heritage places in Vancouver.

Please contact VHF's Executive Director if you would like to discuss how your gift can make a difference or how you can leave a legacy gift in your will to VHF.





## ANNUAL GIVING

Thank you to the generous donors who contributed to Vancouver Heritage Foundation in 2020. Annual and monthly donations provide substantial support to our programs and special projects and help ensure a future for heritage.

### MAJOR GIFTS

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## GRANTS RECEIVED

City of Vancouver:  
Heritage Conservation Grants Program funding

Young Canada Works, Government of Canada

## OPERATING AGREEMENT

Vancouver Heritage Foundation is grateful to the City of Vancouver for its continued support in 2020.

An operating agreement with the City recognizes the value of the work VHF does to encourage the appreciation and conservation of Vancouver's heritage buildings and places.

The annual grant received contributed \$135,304 in 2020.

## VOLUNTEERS

Despite the challenges of the global pandemic, a number of volunteers supported VHF in 2020. From research and photography to participating on committees, volunteers generously gave their time to VHF and enabled a wide range of programs and projects to continue.

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash	254,436	103,966
Term deposits [note 3]	898,128	594,434
Accounts receivable [note 5]	37,103	232,134
Prepaid expenses	2,541	2,741
	<b>1,192,208</b>	<b>933,275</b>
Restricted cash [note 4]	1,000	1,000
Long-term investments [note 6]	1,180,986	1,101,110
	<b>2,374,194</b>	<b>2,035,385</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accruals [note 8]	52,144	29,540
Deferred revenue [note 9]	844,948	656,559
Heather Pavilion Restoration [note 4]	1,000	1,000
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>898,092</b>	<b>687,099</b>
Deferred contributions [note 10]	50,000	78,000
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>948,092</b>	<b>765,099</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>		
Internally restricted funds [note 6]	1,180,986	1,101,110
Unrestricted	245,116	169,176
	<b>1,426,102</b>	<b>1,270,286</b>
	<b>2,374,194</b>	<b>2,035,385</b>

Auditors: Tompkins Wozny LLP. Chartered Professional Accountants

# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

YEAR END DECEMBER 31

<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Funding for Grants (incoming)	223,799	66,284
City of Vancouver Operating Grant	135,304	132,650
COVID - Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy	129,688	n/a
Investment Income	118,006	160,363
Donations and Fundraising	105,072	120,020
Special Projects	39,650	46,366
Tours, Events, and Other Programs	38,114	113,187
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	789,633	638,870

## **EXPENSES**

Staff and Contractors	365,735	358,908
Granting Programs - Conservation	130,322	20,237
Rent	31,845	31,141
Special Projects	19,924	20,247
Professional Fees	15,216	14,038
Granting Programs - Publications	15,000	5,000
Office Supplies, services, and other	14,926	19,209
Marketing and Communications	12,919	5,050
Tours, events, and other programs	11,949	22,509
Granting programs - HERG	7,495	18,302
Bank charges and interest	3,353	5,028
Insurance	2,923	2,878
GST expense	1,811	1,046
Fundraising	543	15,483
Board of Directors	8	913
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	633,817	539,989

Excess of revenue over expenses	155,816	98,881
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