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CBT supports activities around the Basin. February events include the Snow King's Masque Parade in Golden, A Winter Gathering Workshop in Kimberley, the Heritage Week Tea in Kaslo and the Backcountry Film Festival in Rossland. Keep track of these great events on our [online calendar](#).



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Grant Writing Workshops and CBT Grants Overviews

Friday, January 20, 2012

CBT's Community Liaisons are hosting free grant writing workshops. The workshops will cover topics such as funder identification, focusing your project idea, key elements of a project proposal, setting your budget and writing tips. Overviews of CBT's granting programs will also be provided.



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CBT grant writing workshops will take place in several communities in the coming month.

MEADOW CREEK

Saturday, January 28, 2012

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lardeau Community Hall

No registration required.

INVERMERE

Wednesday, February 1, 2012

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Columbia Valley Chamber (Lion's Hall)

A light lunch will be served.

RSVP to khamilton@cbt.org.

MOYIE

Monday, February 6, 2012

1 to 3 p.m.

Moyie Community Hall

RSVP to 1.250.426.8810.

REVELSTOKE

Monday, February 6, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.

Okanagan College, Revelstoke Centre

RSVP to mekline@okanagan.bc.ca or 1.250.837.4235 ext. 6501.

CRESTON

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce Visitor Centre Bldg.

RSVP to 1.250.428.4342.

KIMBERLEY

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

College of the Rockies, Kimberley Campus

RSVP to 1.250.427.7116 ext. 3752.

GOLDEN

Thursday, February 9, 2012

4 to 6 p.m.

College of the Rockies, Golden Campus

RSVP to khamilton@cbt.org.

NELSON

Friday, February 10, 2012

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Selkirk College, Silver King Campus

RSVP to 1.250.354.3220.

NAKUSP

Monday, February 13, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.

Selkirk College, Nakusp Campus

RSVP to 1.250.265.4077.

WASA

Monday, February 13, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.

Wasa Community Hall
RSVP to 1.250.426.8810.

ELKFORD

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.
Recreation Centre
RSVP to 1.250.865.4010.

TRAIL

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Selkirk College, Trail Campus
RSVP to 1.250.364.5770.

FERNIE

Thursday, February 16, 2012

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
College of the Rockies, Fernie Campus
RSVP to 1.250.423.4691.

FORT STEELE

Thursday, February 16, 2012

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Fort Steele Heritage Town International Hotel
RSVP to 1.250.426.8810.

SPARWOOD

Thursday, February 16, 2012

10 a.m. to noon
Sparwood Chamber of Commerce
RSVP to 1.250.425.2423.

CRANBROOK

Friday, February 17, 2012

12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
College of the Rockies, Cranbrook Campus
RSVP to be announced.

NEW DENVER

Wednesday, February 22, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.
Knox Hall
No registration required.

KASLO

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

7 to 9 p.m.
Selkirk College, Kaslo Centre
RSVP to 1.250.353.2618.

Thanks to our community partners: College of the Rockies, Columbia Valley Chamber of Commerce, Creston and District Chamber of Commerce, District of Elkford, Friends of Fort Steele Society, Moyie Community Association, Okanagan College, Selkirk College, Sparwood Chamber of Commerce, Village of New Denver and Wasa Community Hall Association.

For more information or to express interest in having a workshop in an additional community, contact cbt@cbt.org or 1.800.505.8998.



Get Inspired, Educated and Empowered

Wednesday, February 01, 2012

CBT hosting CONNECT: Youth Action Summit

Basin youth are invited to apply to attend CONNECT, a free Youth Action Summit happening May 3 to 6 in Kimberley. The theme for the event is: Connecting With Communities. Space is limited to 100 spots for participants from across the Basin. Applications are being accepted now until February 29 at www.cbt.org/connect.

The summit will feature engaging speakers, planning sessions and networking opportunities, all directed toward assisting attendees in creating a day of action in their own communities.

"Led by the members of CBT's Youth Advisory Committee, CONNECT promises to be inspiring," said Wayne Lundeberg, CBT Director, Youth Initiatives. "CBT looks forward to working with Basin youth to empower them to create meaningful action events in their communities during the month of May."

Youth interested in journalism, film and photography are invited to apply to be a member of CONNECT's own Multimedia Team. Chosen from qualified applicants, these 10 participants will document the weekend, as well as the community action events, for a special CONNECT edition of *SCRATCH* magazine.

CBT works with youth and communities to increase youth opportunities and engagement through enhancing capacity, leadership and participation. CBT supports youth and communities through the Columbia Basin Youth Grants program, Community Directed Youth Funds and volunteer service awards, as well as provides a forum for youth in the Basin to share their art, ideas and experiences with each other through *SCRATCH* magazine and www.scratchonline.ca.

Find out more about CBT's Youth Initiatives at www.cbt.org/youth.



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CBT invites Basin youth to CONNECT: Youth Action Summit, being held in Kimberley May 3 to 6. Come to get inspired, educated and empowered to create your day of action. *In photo:* Members of CBT's Youth Advisory Committee.



Three New Members Join CBT's Board of Directors

Monday, January 23, 2012

Columbia Basin Trust welcomes new and reappointed directors.

CBT welcomes three new members to its Board of Directors and would like to recognize the reappointment of five current directors.

The new directors are:

- Wendy Booth from Fairmont Hot Springs (two-year term);
- Am Naqvi from Nelson (one-year term); and
- Laurie Page from Nakusp (one-year term).

"We're pleased to have a Board of this calibre at CBT, ensuring effective and responsible governance," said Garry Merkel, CBT Board Chair. "Wendy, Am and Laurie each bring complementary strengths to the table, and we're fortunate to have them with us."

Wendy Booth has lived in the Columbia Valley for nearly 20 years, is a business owner and is currently the Director of Area F of the Regional District of East Kootenay.

"I'm honoured to be part of the CBT team," said Booth. "I look forward to working with my fellow Board members, CBT staff and communities for the benefit of the entire Basin."

Am Naqvi is a chartered accountant, in public practice for over 35 years, and is currently a partner in the firm of Berg Naqvi Lehmann, Chartered Accountants, in Nelson.

"What's impressed me most about CBT is that it's been so well governed and managed that it's been able to use the resources available in the Basin to deliver benefits to Basin residents," said Naqvi. "I'm honoured to serve as a director, and look forward to contributing to the goals of this organization."

Laurie Page has been a veterinarian in Nakusp since 1990, and has dedicated her time to community projects ranging from affordable housing, to youth empowerment, to enhancing the area's economic self-sufficiency.

"As a community volunteer, I am always looking for ways to make myself useful and do my part," said Page. "It is a privilege to serve on the Board of CBT, and I am delighted to have this opportunity."

The five directors reappointed to the Board are:

- Garry Merkel (Board Chair) from Kimberley (one-year term);
- Greg Deck (Board Vice-Chair) from Radium Hot Springs (one-year term);
- Kim Deane from Rossland (two-year term);
- Cindy Gallinger from Elkford (three-year term); and
- Paul Peterson from Burton (two-year term).

Existing directors include Denise Birdstone from Ktunaxa Nation Council, Ron Oszust from Golden, Bob Smith from Valemount and Bill Trewhella from Warfield.

CBT's 12-member Board consists of qualified individuals appointed by the provincial government: six from among the nominees of the five regional districts and the Ktunaxa Nation Council and six others. All directors must be residents of the Basin.

The Board meets six times a year in communities around the Basin. The public is invited to attend in order to meet CBT's Board and ask questions about CBT's work in the Basin.

The next meeting is:

TRAIL

- Friday, January 27, 2012, 4 p.m.
- Best Western Plus Columbia River Hotel, 1001 Rossland Avenue

For more information about the Board, and to read highlights and minutes from Board meetings, visit www.cbt.org/board.



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Fairmont Hot Springs' Wendy Booth is one of three new members of CBT's Board of Directors.



Arts, Culture and Heritage Grant Writing Workshops

Tuesday, January 31, 2012

To assist those interested in applying for Arts, Culture and Heritage Program grants from CBT, Krista Patterson and Natasha Smith of the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance (CKCA) will present workshops on how to apply and what to expect from the application process. CBT's Arts, Culture and Heritage grants are managed and administered by CKCA.



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[Find out more about applying for arts, culture and heritage grants at an upcoming CKCA grant writing workshop.](#)

Individuals of all artistic disciplines, as well as arts, culture and heritage organizations residing in the Columbia Basin, are invited to attend the workshops.

CBT proudly supports initiatives and projects that highlight Basin culture and heritage, and for 2012/13, funding has increased by \$55,000, to \$706,000.

Workshops are FREE. Registration is not required. Locations, dates and times are as follows:

SILVERTON

Saturday, February 11

11 a.m. – 1 p.m., hosted by the Slocan Lake Gallery Society
Silverton Gallery, 408 – 4th Street

TRAIL

Saturday, February 18

10 a.m. – 12 noon, hosted by the Trail and District Arts Council
Greater Trail Community Ctr., Room 208, 1501 Cedar Avenue

FERNIE

Saturday, February 18

9 – 11 a.m., hosted by the Fernie and District Arts Council
The Arts Station, 601 – 1st Avenue

KIMBERLEY

Saturday, February 18

3 – 5 p.m., hosted by the Kimberley Arts Council
Centre 64, 64 Deer Park Avenue

CRESTON

Sunday, February 19

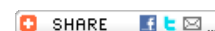
1 – 3 p.m., hosted by the Community Arts Council of Creston
Creston Community Complex, Rotocrest Upper Level, 230 – 19th Ave. North

REVELSTOKE

Saturday, February 25

10 a.m. – 12 noon, hosted by the Revelstoke Arts Council
Okanagan College, Room 102, 1401 – 1st Street West

More information, funding policies and program application forms are available online at www.basinculture.com, from local community arts councils, or by phoning CKCA at 1-250-505-5505 or toll free at 1-877-505-7355.



Learn More About the Columbia River Treaty

Monday, February 06, 2012

CBT co-hosts information session in New Denver

CBT is hosting an information session about the Columbia River Treaty (CRT) in New Denver on Tuesday, February 21, 2012. This session is hosted in partnership with local governments and the CRT Local Governments' Committee.

"The information session will help people who live in the Canadian portion of the Columbia Basin better understand what the CRT is, how it works and what considerations exist for the future," said Neil Muth, CBT President and CEO.

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

Bosun Hall
710 Bellevue Street

Open House: 2 to 7 p.m.

Free Dinner: 6 to 7 p.m.

Presentation: 7 to 9 p.m.

The CRT is an international agreement between Canada and the United States to coordinate flood control and optimize hydroelectric power generation on both sides of the border. Under the 1964 treaty, three dams were constructed in Canada, including Mica, Duncan and Hugh Keenleyside. A fourth dam, Libby, was constructed in Montana. Its reservoir, the Kooocanusa, extends 67 kilometres into Canada.

The CRT has no official expiry date, but has a minimum length of 60 years, which is met in September 2024. Either Canada or the United States can terminate many of the provisions of the agreement effective any time after September 2024, provided written notice is filed at least 10 years in advance (2014). While no decision has been made by either Canada or the United States on the future of the current treaty, given the importance of the issues, and the approaching date of 2014, both countries are now conducting studies and exploring future options for the CRT.

"Our primary role with respect to the CRT is to act as an information resource for Basin residents," said Muth, adding that CBT does not make decisions with respect to the CRT. "Consultation on the CRT is a Provincial responsibility."

Working with the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) and the Village of New Denver, CBT is bringing experts on the CRT and international water management from across Canada to New Denver.

"Having people with this much knowledge about the current treaty come to our community is an excellent opportunity for all of us to learn more," said Ann Bunka, Mayor of New Denver.

"This is a chance to talk with experts and our neighbours about something that has influenced the geography and social fabric of this region for decades," said Walter Popoff, RDCK Director, Area H.

CBT held similar sessions in 11 other communities in fall 2011. CBT has also prepared documents, videos and other resources to help residents learn more. Learn more about the CRT at www.cbt.org/crt.

Additional resources:

- [Columbia River Treaty: An Overview](#)
- [Columbia Basin Trust and the Columbia River Treaty](#)
- [Video: Columbia River Treaty: A Brief History](#)



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Hugh Keenleyside Dam is located near Castlegar on the Columbia River and was completed in 1968. It is the second of three Columbia River Treaty dams built in Canada and created Arrow Lakes Reservoir.



Summer Works Program

The Summer Works Program provides an hourly wage subsidy to support the success of small business in the Basin, as well as creates up to 150 summer jobs for students in the region.

Who Can Apply:

Basin small businesses only.

Other organizations may find assistance here:

<http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/programs/scpp.shtml>

How To Apply:

Benefiting businesses directly, the 2011 Summer Works Program helped 145 Basin businesses hire summer students.

Deadline For Applications: First-received, first-served intake begins February 22, 2012.

Summer Works 2012 Guidelines

PLEASE NOTE: The Summer Works 2012 Application Form will be posted February 22, 2012.

CONTACTS:

- **College of the Rockies**

1.250.489.2751 ext. 3644

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