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Supporting "Radical Renovation" for the Indigenous Perspectives Society

On November 27th, a team of PDA volunteers will spend a day helping out a local charity called HeroWork that provides "radical renovations" for charities that serve vulnerable populations. The project they are currently working on is the Indigenous Perspective Society building, which HeroWork will renovate to create a more culturally relevant space.

The Indigenous Perspective Society advances education, knowledge and understanding of Indigenous cultures and practices with Indigenous Peoples and for individuals and organizations in the public, private, and non-profit sectors, helping deepen reconciliation.

Contact us if you'd like participate!

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Secrets Of Success: Toastmasters

This month, on November 1st & November 12th our students will have Distinguished Toast Master and Past International President Pat Johnson in their Secrets of Success class. Students will be guided through the fundamentals of public speaking in an introductory class that will help them gain confidence both in and outside the classroom.

Toastmasters International is a nonprofit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of clubs.

All PDA students and instructors are invited to join the Toastmasters presentation on Friday, November 12th at 2pm-4pm in the Lecture Room.

There will be no classes November 11th. The school will be closed for Rememberance Day.

We wear a poppy
On Remembrance Day,
And at eleven
We stand and pray.
Wreaths are put
Upon a grave.
As we remember
Our soldiers brave.



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PDA's First Ever Design Jam

On October 29th, Tinka Robev and Ainsley Viggers of the Victoria Design Nerds facilitated a school wide Design Jam where students were led through a series of structured brainstorming & group thinking exercises that promote the various steps in the Design Thinking process.

The students and faculty who attended got to mingle and come up with brilliant collaborative ideas for how PDA might create partnerships and co-operative projects between disciplines in the future.

Meet Our Fabulous Faculty: Tinka Robev

Forming the experimental design firm Studio Robazzo in 2015 while completing her Bachelor's degree in Architecture at the University of Waterloo, Tinka Robev is a highlymotivated and multi-talented entrepreneur. Over the years, Studio Robazzo has created unique design packages for clients such as TEDxVictoria, TED2018, Mayfair Shopping Centre, VIFF, the Victoria Film Festival, and Victoria Fashion Week. In 2020, the Robazzo team pivoted to start Puzzle Lab, producing high-quality unique wooden jigsaw puzzles featuring curated Canadian artwork. Besides running two businesses and being an active member of the Victoria Design Nerds, Young Builders Network, and Business for Business Network, Tinka also works part-time as an Assistant Art Director for locally-filmed movies and is a course instructor at the Pacific Design Academy. www.robazzo.com | www.puzzle-lab.com | tinka@robazzo.com



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Face Coverings (COVID-19) Updated - October 29, 2021:

- The Provincial Health Officer has extended the mask mandate in indoor public spaces to continue to slow the transmission of COVID-19.
- The Face Coverings (COVID-19) Order applies to students, faculty, staff and visitors in post-secondary common spaces including lobbies, hallways, public bathrooms, classrooms, labs, or those present at an inside event.
- The Order does not have an expiration date.

Thank you for the important role you play in supporting the provincial COVID-19 response. Here are more resources for COVID-19.

COVID-19 Resources:

- COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Guidelines are hosted on government's public website.
- Guidance and recommendations from the Provincial Health Officer are available online at the COVID-19 Provincial Support and Informationwebsite.
- If you require advice regarding a potential COVID-19 case, please contact your local Medical Health Officer.
- WorksafeBC guidance is available on communicable disease prevention plans.

Inspiration of the Month!

"Think left and think right and think low and think high. Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try" – Dr. Seuss



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