



Cultural Bridging Friends Program

June 2010 newsletter

Past Workshop!

Guided Docent Tour of First People's Gallery!!!

Royal BC Museum

The tour took place last Saturday, June 5th, from 11am-12pm, and we visited the rest of the Museum after the tour!!!



Two program participants sit behind the drums!



Our tour guide explains the pit house below:



FEATURED SUCCESS STORY!!

A Be Friends' participant, Eduardo, is very happy to be in the program:

"This program is amazing!! Being new to Victoria, It helped me to make connections with more people and also make more friends!! I started my friendship with Ramiro through the program!! We like outdoor activities and we usually go for a hike once a week and spend a whole day together!!" ~ Eduardo P. Marques.



In this photo: Ramiro (left) and Eduardo (right).

Next Be Friends group social: Frisbee, soccer and a walk in Beacon Hill Park!!! Held jointly with United Way's volunteer group, United Now!

When: Friday, June 11th, 5-7pm.



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Family Friends event:

Visit Mineral World with your family!!!!

There are lots of fun things for children to do!!

Explore gems and stones from the mineral world!!!

Learn about rocks, crystals and fossils at the Science Centre!



When: next Sunday, June 13th, at 2pm. Meet at VIRCS at 1:15pm.

Next Workshop:

Community Involvement in Victoria!!!

We will explore how and where new immigrants in Victoria can become more involved in our community and gain valuable experience and feel more integrated in Victoria!

When: next Monday, June 14th, at 5:30pm.
Held at VIRCS, HR Solutions Room.

Want to learn more about the Friends Program? Visit our website!

Go to: <http://vircs.bc.ca/host.php> for more details about the Program! Contact Francina, Program Coordinator, at **250 361-9433, ext 242**, or email: francina@vircs.bc.ca to find out more!

Find us on Facebook! Group name is: **"Vircs Cultural Bridging Program"**

Facebook Group cover photo:



Find out about other great services at Vircs for immigrants and refugees:

Settlement: Housing, health-care, childcare; Immigration and Citizenship, and more!

Please call 250 361-9433 for more information.

Employment: Are you looking for work? *Did you know* that VIRCS helps immigrants, newcomers, and new Canadians find work? We provide job search help, counselling, training, workshops and more! Please call 250 361-9433 ext. 206, or email:

employment@vircs.bc.ca

English as a Second Language courses: All levels, friendly, experienced instructors, small class sizes!

Monday through Thursday daytime!! Please email our Instructor, Christianne@vircs.bc.ca

Computer classes: Learn to use Microsoft Excel, Powerpoint and more! Tues, Wed, and Thursdays, 5-7pm. You can sign up with Anna at reception.

And much more!!

Call us at 250 361-9433 to get more information.

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