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Public Open House Invites Comments for Rossland Museum's New Plans

Renowned Museum Consultant Sees Exciting Possibilities

What will Rossland's Museum look like in the next few years? How can the Museum and its historic site be refreshed and revitalized? What displays, stories and themes will attract an expanded clientele? What will its role be in the community? Between 4 pm and 7 pm on Tuesday, October 15th, the public is invited to the Museum for an open house to talk about the future of the Museum.

For the last few months, renowned Vancouver-based museum consultant Donald Luxton and his team have been exploring some exciting options for the Rossland Museum. Now it's your turn to see what options are being considered and to comment.

"It's really exciting", says Luxton of the progress being made and the options being considered. "The Museum has a superb collection and we are looking at ways to highlight the displays, improve the site and update the building. It's now important that Rosslanders review the options and provide their input." Luxton and his team have been working with the Rossland Museum Gateway Project Advisory Committee since August when they were selected from amongst five companies who submitted proposals.

"Rosslanders have given feedback through an open house last year, a survey and other consultation. We've incorporated the main themes and ideas moving forward, while tying everything together in a strong and vibrant concept that will completely renew the Museum", he said.

The Open House will feature two 20-minute presentations by Luxton – at 4:30 pm and 6 pm. Free refreshments will be made available as well.

Luxton and his team have undertaken groundbreaking work on projects such as the recent Masterplan for the Royal BC Museum and the new Nisga'a Museum. In addition to his museum and heritage work, Luxton is also the author of several award-winning historical books.

The Museum Gateway Project Committee includes representatives from the City of Rossland, the Rossland Museum and Archive Association, Tourism Rossland, Teck Metals Ltd. and other organizations.

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