



SHAY PAUL

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY ARTIST

Shay Paul is a Secwepemc artist and also the director of the self-made Indigenous Resurgence Project, which exists to support and showcase indigenous artists and culture from holding free public exhibitions to helping mentor emerging artists. Shay is a multi-media artist, graphic designer, community organizer, public speaker, and has experience in various field backgrounds.

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EXPERIENCE

Project Director and Art Curator

Indigenous Resurgence Project
Kamloops, BC 2019 – Present

Shay founded this project officially in 2019 and has been using the platform to host art exhibitions and activities. In 2021, the project expanded to also offer an online artisan directory, workshop facilitation, and art resources.

Skills

- Administrative work
- Event planning
- Event organizing
- Facilitation
- Graphic designing
- Financial organizing
- Web designing
- Social media campaigning
- Public speaking
- TV and radio interviews
- Public article writing

Food Security and Sovereignty Research Student

Thompson Rivers University

Shay has worked with one of Canada's Research Chairs in three rural Indigenous communities in the background of food sovereignty and food security, also applying previous experience organizing and facilitating workshops to build on community engagement and interaction.

Wapakeka and Kasabonika Lake First Nations, ON May 2019

- Designing large-scale garden plots
- Constructed raised garden beds
- Renovated pre-existing greenhouse structures
- Engage community in food-security responses
- Hold educational workshops
- Distribute resources to interested community members

Deh Gáh Got'ı̄ First Nation, Fort Providence, NWT May 2021

- Design and create information graphics
- Organize and facilitate workshops with children and youth
- Repair and improve greenhouse structures
- Hold community-based educational workshops

Community Organizer and Events Coordinator

Canadian Roots Exchange
Kamloops, BC 2019 – 2021

- Workshop organizing
- Event planning
- Graphic designing
- Facilitating
- Public speaking
- Reporting

Freelance Graphic and Web Designer

Ambush Art
Kamloops, BC 2019– Present

- Designing websites with web-tools
- Graphic design and digital art
- Social media management and ad campaigning

EDUCATION

Highschool Diploma

Kamloops School of the Arts
Kamloops, BC 2018

Horticulture Certificate

Thompson Rivers University
Kamloops, BC 2018 – 2019

EVENT MANAGEMENT

Artists for Reconciliation Interactive Exhibition

Main Event and Market Coordinator
Kamloops, BC May 2018

Kweseltken Kristmas Market

Main Event and Market Coordinator
Kamloops, BC December 2021

Indigenous Resurgence Exhibition

Main Event and Market Coordinator
Kamloops, BC August 2019

Indigenous Voices in Fashion 2022

Co-organizer, Market Coordinator
Chase, BC June 2022

Indigenous Resurgence Fashion Show

Event Coordinator
Kamloops, BC August 2019

IRP: Re-Awakening

Main Event and Market Coordinator
Kamloops, BC June 2022

illumiNATIVE: Indigenous Youth Exhibition

Curator, Event Coordinator
Kamloops, BC October 2020

2 Rivers Remix "WE ARE STILL HERE" Music Festival

Market Coordinator
Lillooet, Kamloops, Cache Creek – July 2022

INDEPENDENT FILM PROJECTS

Rebecca – Music Video (2018)

- Director
- Scriptwriter
- Storyboard Artist
- Video Editor

Artist Networking Interview Series (2021)

- Interviewer

The Line Between Us – Shortfilm (2019)

- Director
- Scriptwriter

Won Best Actress at the 2019 Kamloops Shortfilm Festival

PUBLICATIONS

Local Artist Joins Kamloops Arts Council as Indigenous Arts Intern

Kamloops Connector Newspaper, 2020

Rise in domestic violence involving indigenous women amid COVID-19 crisis.

Kamloops Connector Newspaper, 2020

Mike Alexander Brings Support to Local Indigenous Artists

Kamloops Connector Newspaper, 2020

Upcoming art exhibition to "illuminate" aspiring indigenous youth.

Kamloops Connector Newspaper, 2020

Secwepemc artist shares how her community is improving food security

Broadview Magazine. October/November 2021 Issue