

THE EDMONTON GALLERIA PROJECT

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Edmonton Cultural Trust Foundation Board Announced

Six Edmontonians with strong backgrounds in governing arts organizations were announced today as the initial Board of the Edmonton Cultural Trust Foundation, a community charitable organization devoted to supporting arts and culture in Edmonton. The Edmonton Cultural Trust will be the [beneficiary of excess revenue](#) flowing from the Edmonton Galleria Project.

Key objectives of the Edmonton Cultural Trust include providing sustainable funding for arts and culture in Edmonton, contributing to City building, and creating places that give people more reasons to be downtown, particularly in the Arts District.

The Founding Trustees and Executive Director will be responsible for developing the Trust into an effective organization. This includes adding more Board members to broaden its diversity, creating a terms of reference, developing a governance structure, and putting administrative supports into place.



Dave Mowat, Chair



Jim Carter



Barry Zalmanowitz



Richard Cook



Dianne Kipnes



John Mahon,
Executive Director

Go to [our website](#) for more background on the Edmonton Cultural Trust and the Board members. The Edmonton Cultural Trust concept is modelled after the very successful [Pittsburgh Cultural Trust](#), a not-for-profit organization that uses income generated from real estate to support and sustain arts and culture in Pittsburgh.

In other news....

- The Edmonton Galleria Project is scheduled to appear before **City of Edmonton Executive Committee May 26**. At the meeting we will be asking the Committee to approve a set of principles upon which a formal agreement between the EDACC Foundation and the City of Edmonton can be developed. The agreement would confirm the City's participation and investment in our project.
- After some delay, work is scheduled to begin this week in tearing down the **CN Tower west annex**. The EDACC Foundation has earmarked that land to house a multi-use commercial, residential and retail development. This development will occur in Phase 2.



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