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Robert Watt's *People Among The People*, a book about the artworks of internationally-renowned xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) artist Susan Point, will be announced as the 2019 Book Award winner at the Vancouver Public Library's Central Branch on October 19, 2019 at 3pm. The event is open to the public and will take place in the vibrant, 9th floor community space.

The winning title, published by Figure 1 with the Museum of Anthropology at UBC, is a beautifully photographed book telling comprehensive stories about Point's public artworks, which are informed by surviving traditional Salish works that Point has studied, and the Oral Traditions of her Musqueam family and elders. Through extensive interviews and access to Point's archives, Watt tells the story of each piece, whether it's the evolution from sketch to carving to casting, or the significance of the images and symbolism.

The 2019 Book Award jury saw *People Among the People* as a means for Vancouverites to better appreciate Point's freely-accessible art, which stands as a welcome to the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh People. Vancouverites are encouraged to visit Point's famous artworks in the city, such as:

- The monumental Flight (Spindle Whorl) and the Musqueam Welcome Figures at the Musqueam Welcome Area at YVR Airport
- People Amongst the People, the carved red cedar portals at ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ (Stanley Park)
- The cast-iron art underfoot throughout the city covering Vancouver's storm and sewer access

The Information Bulletin will be distributed on Monday, October 21.

Best,
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh peoples.