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To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"

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Subject: Upcoming information bulletin: Art project connects Chinatown to sea level rise (February 14,

2021)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below information bulletin on February 14, 2021 regarding an art project set to engage diverse audiences from across Vancouver in a vision of a more livable city that enhances biodiversity and responds to sea level rise.

We will be promoting this initiative and how to participate through both the main City of Vancouver and Greenest City social media accounts, and sharing to your wider networks would be greatly appreciated.

Please keep this information bulletin embargoed until it goes live from the City media email account at 10:00 AM on February 14.

Best, Paul

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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwəta+ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

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Art project connects Chinatown to False Creek biodiversity and sea level rise

<u>How Water Remembers</u> is a new art series currently on display on bus shelters across Vancouver, as part of the City's Sea2City Design Challenge.

The work is by interdisciplinary artist, writer and educator <u>Laiwan</u>, and includes 20 Guardian Creatures that represent various elements of ancestral Chinese wisdom, traditional knowledge and stewardship.

The art project asks: How do we revitalize biodiversity within a city and nourish biodiverse ecologies in our everyday? How Water Remembers aims to build awareness about the impacts of sea level rise to the False Creek ecosystem, while connecting with cultural values.

A selection of this art is being featured on bus shelters and the full set of cards are available to collect by visiting participating businesses in Chinatown from February 14 to March 14, as part of city-wide Chinese New Year celebrations.

How Water Remembers was developed with support from the City of Vancouver and Dr. Sun Yat-Sen

<u>Classical Chinese Garden.</u> Learn more about the project and find out <u>how to collect the Guardian</u> Creature cards.

Background

The City's Sea2City staff are working with local organizations and community partners to engage diverse audiences from across Vancouver in a vision of a more livable city that enhances biodiversity and responds to sea level rise.

The <u>Sea2City Design Challenge (Sea2City)</u> will help inform a framework and vision to guide urban development and ecological revitalization in the False Creek floodplain, a highly valued and constrained urban waterway in the heart of the city.

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