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**Subject:** RESPONSE REQUIRED: Invitation - Industrial Light and Magic Gastown Studio Tour

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Dear Mayor and Council,

You are invited to join a tour of Industrial Light and Magic's (ILM) Gastown studio on **Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 4pm.**

Only 10 people at a time can join the tour, so please RSVP to Chris Qiu by **Wednesday, September 13, 2023** if you would like to attend.

(If there is more interest than available space, a second tour will be scheduled at a later date.)

The tour will be led by Spencer Kent, Executive in Charge, Vancouver and San Francisco, who sang the praises of Vancouver in this video recently produced by Invest Vancouver.

Here's a bit of background information on ILM ...

- World leading visual effects company founded by George Lucas in 1975
- 35,000 sf studio at 21 Water Street and 20,000 sf at 1 Alexander established in 2012
- About 750 employees, with over half living in Vancouver
- Payroll is \$75 - \$85 million per year
- Also have facilities in San Francisco, Singapore, London and Sydney

Thanks,

Karen

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