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To: "[Direct to Mayor and Council - DL](#)"

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Subject: Upcoming information bulletin: Trans Am Rapture Re-siting (July 30, 2025)

Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below information bulletin today, July 30, regarding the re-siting of the *Trans Am Rapture*. Please keep this information bulletin embargoed until it goes live from the City media email account this afternoon.

Earlier today you received an email from me regarding this decision and some high-level key messages. As you may be aware, there has been sustained community concern regarding this installation, particularly as it relates to the size and scale of the artwork not being a fit for the context of the site and neighbourhood. We kindly ask that you please send all media enquiries to media@vancouver.ca.

Maria will reply to this email with the relevant Vancouver.ca link and social media links, once these are live.

Thank you,
Sandra

**City of Vancouver
Information Bulletin
July 30, 2025**

City to identify new site for *Trans Am Rapture* public art installation

The City of Vancouver is ceasing work on the reinstallation of *Trans Am Rapture*, a public artwork, at its originally planned location at the south end of the Granville Bridge, between West 4th and West 5th Avenues. The decision was made by the City Manager's Office following further consideration of the size and scale of the artwork in relation to the site. City staff have been asked to revisit previously assessed locations and explore potential new ones that can better accommodate the artwork.

While the *Trans Am Rapture* will not move forward at the south end of the Granville Bridge, the existing concrete pad at the site will be repurposed to support a future, smaller-scale public art installation. More information will be shared as planning for a new location progresses.

We acknowledge the work undertaken by all involved to site this art and remain committed to celebrating *Trans Am Rapture* – an iconic, local public artwork – as we work toward identifying a new location for its reinstallation.

Learn more about the City of Vancouver's Public Art Civic Program: [Public art | City of Vancouver](#)

Background:

- *Trans Am Rapture* (formerly named *Trans Am Totem*), is a public art piece by artists Marcus Bowcott and Helene Aspinall.

- The artwork was originally installed on a temporary basis along Quebec Street at Millross Avenue as part of the 2014-2016 [Vancouver Biennale](#) (not affiliated with the City of Vancouver Public Art Program).