ACKNOWLEDGING THE PAST, WELCOMING THE FUTURE

In September 2017, an Aboriginal Welcome Figure carved by Musqueam artist, Brent Sparrow, was installed in the entrance to Harbour Centre. A traditional First Nations Ceremony accompanied the installation.

BUILDING CAMPUS COMMUNITY & PARTNERSHIPS

- Held regular INgagement programs to bring staff and faculty together;
- Launched new SFU Vancouver website and continued to engage with faculty, staff and students through weekly e-newsletters and social media;
- Partnered with SFU’s School for the Contemporary Arts (SCA) and the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association (DVBIA) on two street art projects: 2017’s Hoarding Project and 2018’s Little Free Libraries;
- Partnered with SFU Public Square, the Vancouver Farmers Market and the Vancouver Civic Theatre on the SFU Market Day event;
- Co-hosted an Ashoka site visit, contributing to SFU’s designation as an Ashoka U Changemaker Campus;
- Established multi-faceted partnerships with Britannia and John Oliver Secondary Schools;
- Worked with SFU’s Health Promotions Team on the event, Learning and Working in a Culture of Well-Being and Support, to continue cultivating a healthy campus community.

EVENTS, SPONSORSHIPS & MARKETING

This year, SFU Vancouver programmed, sponsored or partnered on many community programs, including:

- Researching the City
- Open Learning Week
- Vancouver Speaker Series
- Lunch Poems @ SFU
- 6th Annual SFU Vancouver Community BBQ
- City Conversations
- Kids Literature Quiz
- VISION event for SFU’s President’s Office
- Evening on the Skeena
- C2U Expo wrap party
- Richmond SKY student placement
- Creative Publics Labs installation
- explorASIAN Festival
- Vancouver Queer Film Festival Reception
- Annual Mothers Matter Centre event
- High School Students 150 Celebrations of Vimy
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