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## Art in the Classroom – Rotary Centre for the Arts Launches Art Teaching Modules For BC Teachers of Grades 4 to 6

**(Kelowna, B.C.)** - The Rotary Centre for the Arts is pleased to announce new Art in the Classroom modules for Grades 4 to 6. Designed for British Columbia (BC) core educational curriculum the modules utilize the arts to understanding a variety of subjects from the Northern Lights to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals across various subjects.

Community and Educational Programming Specialist, Andrew Stauffer, says, “These art lesson plans are a starting point for what will be a more comprehensive collection that spans grades K-12 and includes additional subjects. Art can be an invaluable resource for helping students to better understand not just literature or history, but politics, math, and science as well.”

### **New Grade 4 to 6 Art Teaching Modules – from UBC Community Field Experience Students**

UBC Teaching students Chantel Snyder and Jen Harden developed the classroom lesson plans for the RCA that incorporate art into BC core curriculum from Grades 4 to 6. The 11 lessons plans are available for teachers for Fall 2021 - for the first semester as visiting the RCA and Cultural District on a field trip may not be feasible due to COVID. These offerings support the RCA’s mandate to provide arts education experiences. The lesson plans are free of charge and include lesson outlines, slideshows, links for further research, and handouts where relevant. Each lesson plan includes learning objectives, BC curricular competencies, and content, in addition to detailed descriptions of each lesson.

Topics include climate change, gravity, molecule activity, Northern Lights, the planets in our solar system, the effects of social media on society, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), world hunger, and the analysis and visualization of lyrics. While some lessons use examples of artworks to explain ideas, other lessons have students engage directly with a topic through art making. Students may, for example, act out the motions of molecules in solids, liquids, or gas, or discuss how a particular work of art relates to a particular SDG.

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### **About the Rotary Centre for the Arts**

Located in the heart of Kelowna's Cultural District, the [Rotary Centre for the Arts](#) is a multidisciplinary visual and performing arts centre. The RCA continually strives to improve the economic, cultural, and social quality of life in the community by fostering participation in, and appreciation of the arts. As a world-class venue celebrating creative expression through diverse art forms and disciplines, the Rotary Centre for the Arts is a unique City of Kelowna facility in which individuals of all ages and backgrounds come together to share in the excitement of strengthening art and culture in the Okanagan. The Rotary Centre for the Arts respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the syilx (Okanagan) people.