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The text includes both a step-by-step explanation of the canoe-making process from tree selection onward (carefully described and dynamically illustrated) and the personal histories of a number of Joe's canoes, encompassing their planning, creation, cultural significance and role in the process of reconciliation. The teachings Joe received from his father and the expertise he has gained in a lifetime of canoe-making are recorded here in his own words for generations to come.



Joe Martin is a member of the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. He is a recognized master canoe maker who, as of 2014, estimated he had made more than 60 canoes. In addition to making canoes and mentoring apprentices, he teaches both schoolchildren and others about the cultural traditions of the Nuu-chah-nulth peoples. In 2013 Joe was one of five Indigenous artists who were awarded the BC Creative Achievement Award. He is also an elected councillor of the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation government.



Alan Hoover worked for 33 years at the Royal British Columbia Museum as a curator and manager. He has edited, among other works, the anthology *Nuu-chah-nulth Voices, Histories, Objects & Journeys* (2000), co-authored with Eugene Arima *The Whaling People of the West Coast of Vancouver Island and Cape Flattery* (2011) and published a book on canoe racing titled *Southern Northwest Coast Indigenous Canoe Racing: A Brief History* (2018).

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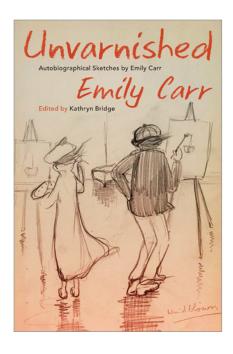












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Emily Carr's books have remained in nearly continuous print since the 1940s. *Unvarnished* is a fresh addition to her enduring oeuvre, to be enjoyed as a complement to her other writings or as a jewel in its own right.



Kathryn Bridge is curator emerita at the Royal BC Museum, where she continues to centre her projects within the historical collections. She has written several books about Emily Carr and other historical women artists in British Columbia, and on mountaineer Phyllis Munday. In 2019 she was co-curator of *Emily Carr Fresh Seeing*.

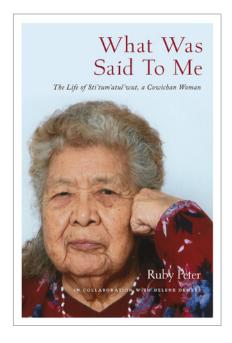
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> A narrative of resistance and resilience spanning seven decades in the life of a tireless advocate for Indigenous language preservation.

Life histories are a form of contemporary social history and convey important messages about identity, cosmology, social behaviour and one's place in the world. This first-person oral history—the first of its kind ever published by the Royal BC Museum—documents a period of profound social change through the lens of Sti'tum'atul'wut—also known as Mrs. Ruby Peter—a Cowichan elder who made it her life's work to share and safeguard the ancient language of her people: Hul'q'umi'num'.

Over seven decades, Sti'tum'atul'wut mentored hundreds of students and teachers and helped thousands of people to develop a basic knowledge of the Hul'q'umi'num' language. She contributed to dictionaries and grammars, and helped assemble a valuable corpus of stories, sound and video files—with more than 10,000 pages of texts from Hul'q'umi'num' speakers—that has been described as "a treasure of linguistic and cultural knowledge." Without her passion, commitment and expertise, this rich legacy of material would not exist for future generations.

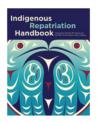
In 1997 Vancouver Island University anthropologist Helene Demers recorded Sti'tum'atul'wut's life stories over nine sessions. She prepared the transcripts for publication in close collaboration with Sti'tum'atul'wut and her family. The result is rich with family and cultural history—a compelling narrative of resistance and resilience that promises to help shape social policy for generations.



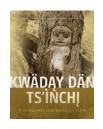


Sti'tum'atul'wut Ruby Peter is a Cowichan Elder and linguist who has trained Hul'q'umi'num' language teachers and researchers for over six decades. She is the associate editor of *The Cowichan Dictionary*. **Helene Demers** is a Dutch-Canadian cultural anthropologist and a research associate at Vancouver Island University. Her research in the Cowichan Valley spans 30 years.

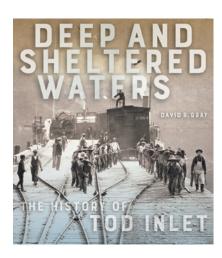
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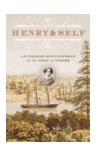
This book brings to light the fascinating story of a community and place: Tod Inlet, near Victoria, BC. From the original inhabitants—the Tsartlip First Nation—to the vanished community of immigrant workers from China and India, from traditional fishing ground to company town to parkland, the wealth of history in this rich area reflects the history of the entire province. The story of Tod Inlet and its communities spans from Vancouver Island north to Ocean Falls, south to California, and east to Golden, BC.

David Gray draws from interviews with elders of the Tsartlip First Nation, descendants of the Chinese and Sikh workers, and the local community, and from archives held in Victoria and Ottawa. This detailed, illustrated book by an award-winning filmmaker tells the whole story of the natural area, the archaeological sites, the community of Tod Inlet, the Vancouver Portland Cement Company and cement plant (an industrial first), and the development of the Butchart Gardens.

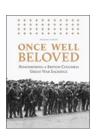


David R. Gray is a researcher, writer and filmmaker. He has curated two Virtual Museum of Canada exhibitions and directed and produced six documentary films, including the award-winning Canadian Soldier Sikhs. **Dr. Nancy J. Turner** is distinguished and Hakai professor in ethnoecology in the School of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria. **Robert D. Turner** is the author of *The Klondike Gold Rush Steamers* and 17 other books.

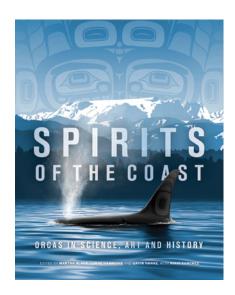
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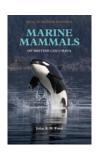
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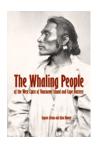
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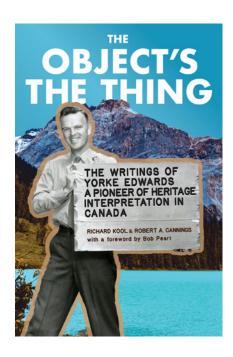
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edited by Richard Kool and Rob Cannings, with a foreword by Bob Peart

"To glimpse this diversity is to feel some of the meaning of being Canadian."

-R. Yorke Edwards

R. Yorke Edwards was a pioneer in the field of heritage interpretation in Canada. First with BC Parks and then with the Canadian Wildlife Service, throughout the 1960s Edwards developed an approach to the interpretation of natural and cultural history with a focus on the "real thing"—the object, the place, the process, the person—in front of a visitor.

Almost everyone who has visited a Canadian park or museum has been touched by Edwards's legacy-but few know his name. Through essays and photographs, a biography and sections from Edwards's unpublished notebook, The Object's the Thing introduces "the father of nature interpretation in Canada," whose work still affects how we experience our heritage today.





Rick Kool is the former director of public programs at the Royal BC Museum and is now a professor in Royal Roads University's School of Environment and Sustainability.

Rob Cannings is curator emeritus at the Royal BC Museum, where he was curator of entomology from 1980 to 2013 and managed the natural history section from 1987 to 1996.

Bob Peart was assistant director for research and public programs at the Royal BC Museum from 1985 to 1988.

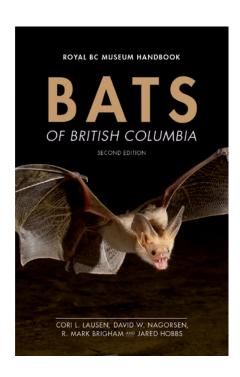
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A Royal BC Museum handbook

by Cori Lausen, David Nagorsen, Mark Brigham and Jared Hobbs

A full-colour, fully updated field guide to identifying British Columbia's bats, with new material on acoustic identification.

With more than 1,400 species worldwide, bats live on every continent except Antarctica and in virtually every type of habitat, from desert to forest. Around the globe, bats fill important ecological roles by controlling insect populations, pollinating plants, dispersing seeds and even providing humans with medicines—the saliva of the famous vampire bat can be used to treat strokes! Yet despite their importance to the planet's ecosystems, there remains more misinformation than fact and more fear than respect for these diminutive guardians of the night.

Since the first edition of Bats of British Columbia was published in 1993, an explosion in field studies of the province's bat fauna, applying new tools such as genetic techniques and acoustic bat detectors, has added a wealth of new knowledge. This fully updated second edition includes new colour photographs throughout, with new material on acoustic identification. With in-depth information on biology, conservation, ecology and identification of the 18 species found in the province, the new Bats of British Columbia will help create an appreciation of this fascinating group of mammals.









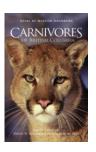
Cori Lausen is a research biologist with Wildlife Conservation Society Canada.

David Nagorsen is a research associate at the Royal BC Museum and the Royal Ontario Museum with more than 30 years' experience as a biologist.

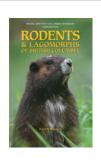
Mark Brigham is a professor of biology at the University of Regina, Saskatchewan, where he researches the behaviour and ecology of bats and nightjars.

Jared Hobbs is a Registered Professional Biologist and wildlife photographer who has worked for 25 years throughout British Columbia on many of the province's rarest species

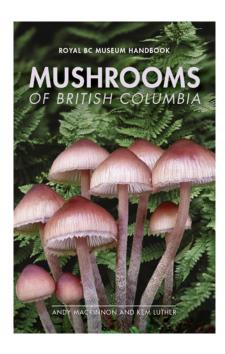
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With more species of fungi than any other region in Canada, British Columbia is a rich playground for mushroom hunters. Now there's *Mushrooms of British Columbia*, the newest handbook from the Royal BC Museum. It's perfect for anyone wanting to know more about BC mushrooms—whether for study, harvest, photography or appreciation.

Authors and mushroom experts Andy MacKinnon and Kem Luther bring a practical and playful approach to helping people quickly and confidently identify the mushrooms of British Columbia. Common names trump technical terminology, fungi are grouped by overall shape, and written descriptions of more than 350 common species are reinforced with carefully curated diagnostic images.

This is the go-to guidebook for anyone, amateur or expert, who loves to study, draw, photograph and eat BC mushrooms.

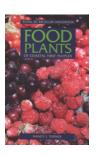




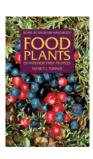
Andy MacKinnon is a forest ecologist and the co-author of six best-selling books about plants of western North America, including Plants of Coastal British Columbia.

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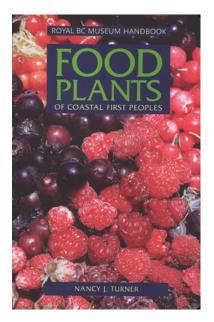


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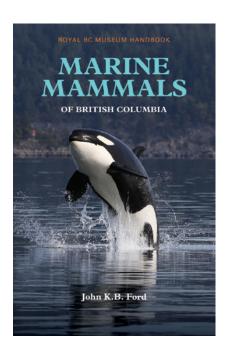
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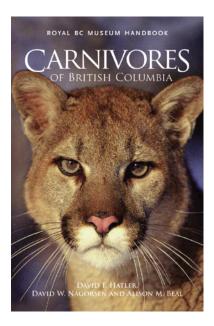
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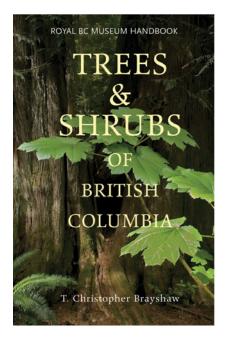
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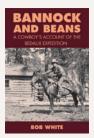
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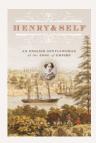
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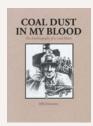
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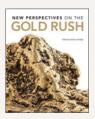


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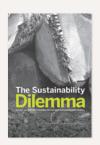


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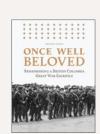
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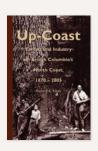
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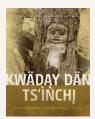


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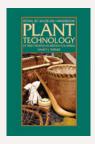
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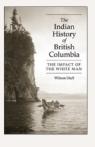
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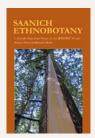
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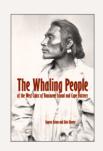
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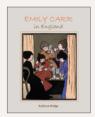


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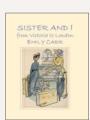


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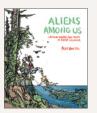


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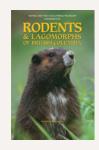
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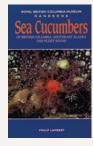
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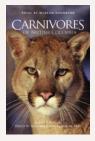
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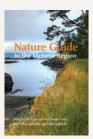
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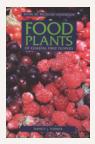
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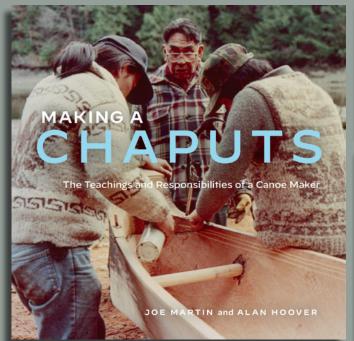
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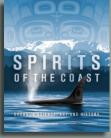
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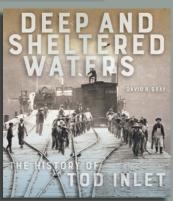
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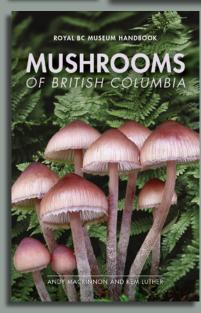


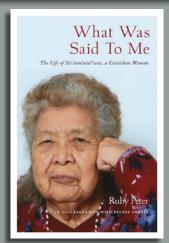


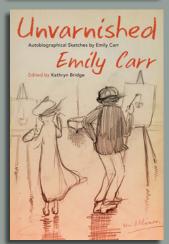


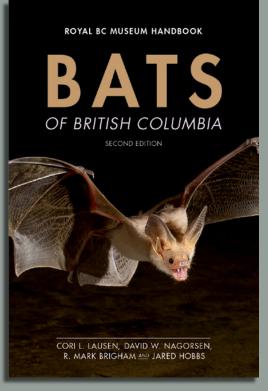
















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