

# **Steveston Community Society Application for Membership ~ 2024-2025**

# MISSION STATEMENT

The Steveston Community Society is an association of volunteers dedicated to maintaining a positive, pioneer "Spirit of Steveston" by providing cultural, social and recreational opportunities for all members of the community.

New Applicant:  General Member (\$5. per year)*  Non-Voting Member (see next page for explanation)			
PERSONAL INFORMATION ("Become a Member")			
Name:		Email address:	
Address: Suite/Unit/Apt.#			
City / Province:		Postal Code:	
Tel:	Cell:	l	Bus:
SKILLS AND COMMITMENT ("Join Us")			
Thank you for joining and supporting the SCS, a volunteer-driven Society. We utilize volunteers in our programs, particularly special events like the Steveston Salmon Festival (SFEST), the Steveston Farmers and Artisans Market (SFAM), etc. You don't have to join a Committee to be involvedconsider helping out as a crew member for SFEST, SFAM, or as a general volunteer at other special Society events, etc.  1. What special skills do you offer that would benefit the Society?  2. Please tell us why you are interested in being a member of the Steveston Community Society.			
AREAS OF INTEREST ("Get Involved")			
Would you like more information about being on a committee* or volunteering?   Yes  No *All Board and Committee members are required to successfully complete a Police Information Check (PIC)  If yes, please indicate your areas of interest:			
Board Committees: ☐ Program ☐ Board Development & ☐ Special Even	☐ Program ☐ Special Events ☐ Sponsorship		SFEST Set-up / down Crew
			SFAM Set-up / down Crew
			General Volunteer
Please advise the best method for a member of the Executive to contact you to welcome you to the Society.  □ Telephone (Number above) or ( ) □ Email (as noted above) or			
Where did you hear about us?			
The Steveston Community Society respects your privacy and adheres to all legislative requirements with respect to protecting your privacy. Please refer to the Membership Policy for further information.			
Upon acceptance as a Member, you agree to abide by the Constitution, Bylaws and such policies as are established from time to time that relate to membership with the Steveston Community Society.			
Applicant Signature  * Payment by cash, credit card, cheque at Community Centre; credit card over the phone (604-238-8080); cheque by mail to mailing address as noted below.			
Approved □ GM □ NVM	Initial Date		Fee paid: □\$5 □ N/A

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The Membership year is September 1 to August 31. The Annual General Meeting is typically held in February.

Please refer to the Bylaws of the Steveston Community Society for detailed information regarding Membership.

#### **Classes of Membership**

There will be one (1) class of voting membership, called General Members, and one (1) class of non-voting membership, called Non-Voting Members. Membership rate for General Member is \$5.00; no fee for Non-Voting Member.

## **Eligibility for General Membership**

A Person may be eligible to be accepted as a General Member if:

- 19 years of age or older;
- a resident of, or works in, the Steveston community or City of Richmond; and,
- interested in advancing the purposes and supporting the activities of the Society.

## **Eligibility for Non-Voting Membership**

A Person may be eligible to be accepted as a Non-Voting Member if:

- 15 years of age or older
- not eligible as a General Member; and,
- interested in advancing the purposes and supporting the activities of the Society.

# Membership not Transferable

Membership is not transferable by a Member to any other Person or entity.

#### **Term of Membership**

Once accepted as a Member, a Person continues as a Member until:

- the conclusion of the current Membership Year, unless membership is renewed in accordance with the Society Bylaws; or
- Membership otherwise ceases in accordance with the Society Bylaws.

#### **Renewal of Membership**

A Member, who remains eligible, may apply for renewal of his or her membership within 30 days of the conclusion of the Membership Year (September 1 to August 31) in such form and manner as may be determined by the Board from time to time.

A renewal of membership must be accompanied by payment for applicable membership dues, as well as program fees owing by the Member, if any.

#### **Rights of Members**

<u>General Member</u> – a General Member in good standing shall have the following rights of membership:

- to receive notice of and attend all General Meetings;
- to propose Ordinary or Special Resolutions in accordance with the Society Act and these Bylaws;
- to make or second motions at a General Meeting and to speak in debate on motions under consideration in accordance with such rules of order as may be in place;
- to exercise a vote on matters for determination by Members, at General Meetings and otherwise; and,
- to hold office as a Director or elected officer of the Society.

Non-Voting Member – a Non-Voting Member in good standing shall have the following rights of membership:

- to receive notice of and attend all General Meetings; and,
- to speak in debate on motions under consideration at General Meetings in accordance with such rules of order as may be in place.

#### Compliance with Constitution, Bylaws and Policies

Every Member will, at all times:

- uphold the Constitution and comply with the Bylaws and the policies of the Society as established from time to time; and.
- further and not hinder the purposes, aims and objects of the Society.