## Royal BC Museum & Archives

Unlocking the Living Heritage in your Collections and the challenges of collecting in a fast paced connected world





Joanne Orr Deputy CEO

Tilburg, October 11, 2019



Dorothy's ruby slippers 1938
from the 1939 MGM movie The Wizard of Oz

In the classic 1900 children's book by L. Frank Baum, The Wizard of Oz, a brave American girl relies on ingenuity, courage, and imagination to make her way home from a faraway land. The film was released near the end of the Great Depression, just a month before
Germany's invasion of Poland sparked World War II. Its timely message about the power of friendship to triumph over evildoers appealed to millions of viewers.

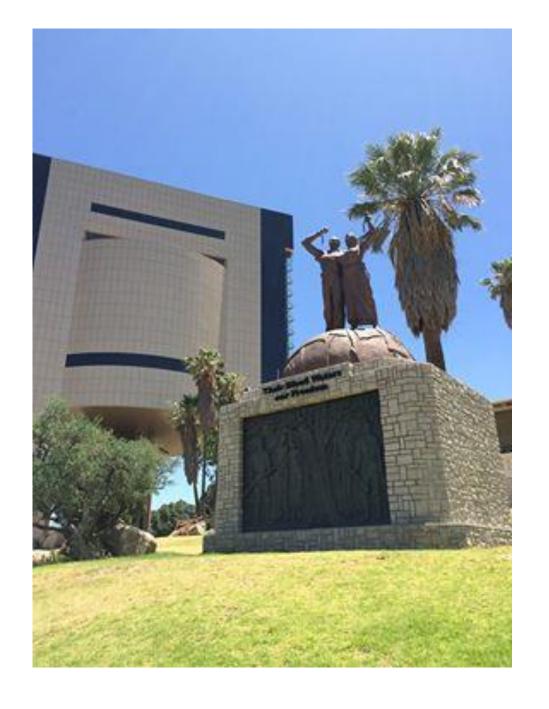
Anonymous gift

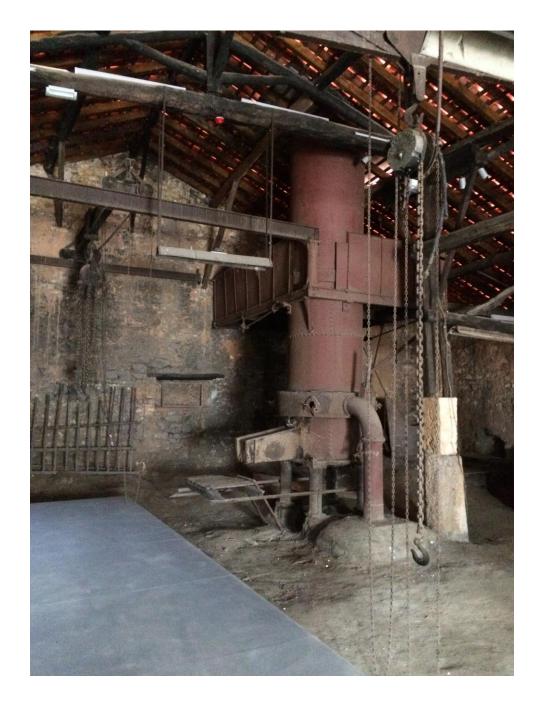


In the film version of the book, Dorothy, played by Judy Garland, found a new world of color when she stepped into Oz. The same Technicolor camera that captured Oz on film is currently on display in Places of Invention (1st Floor West).





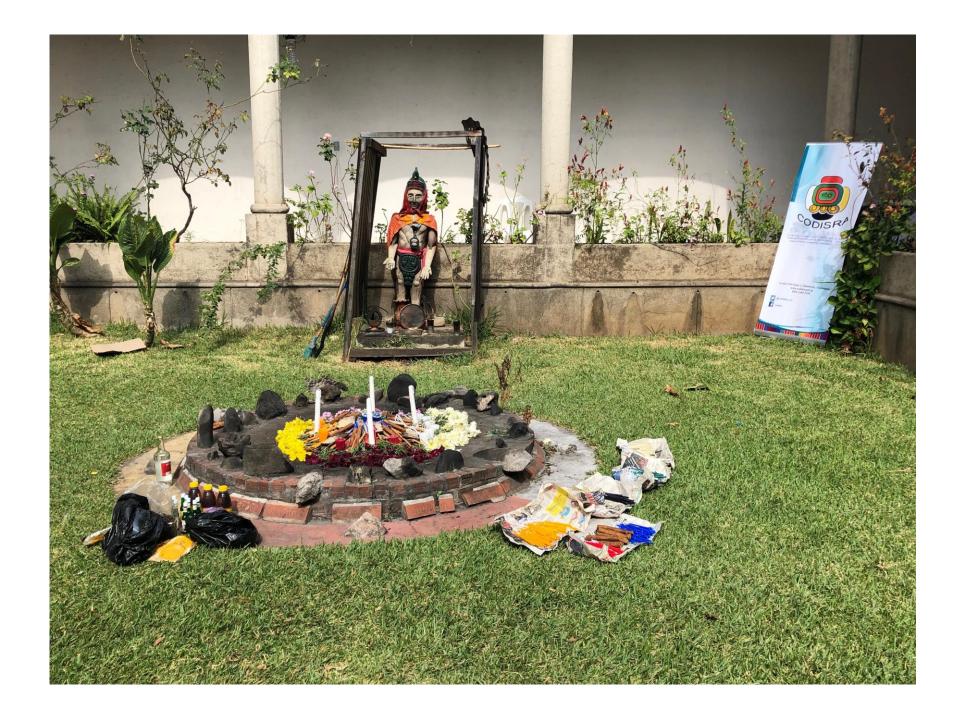


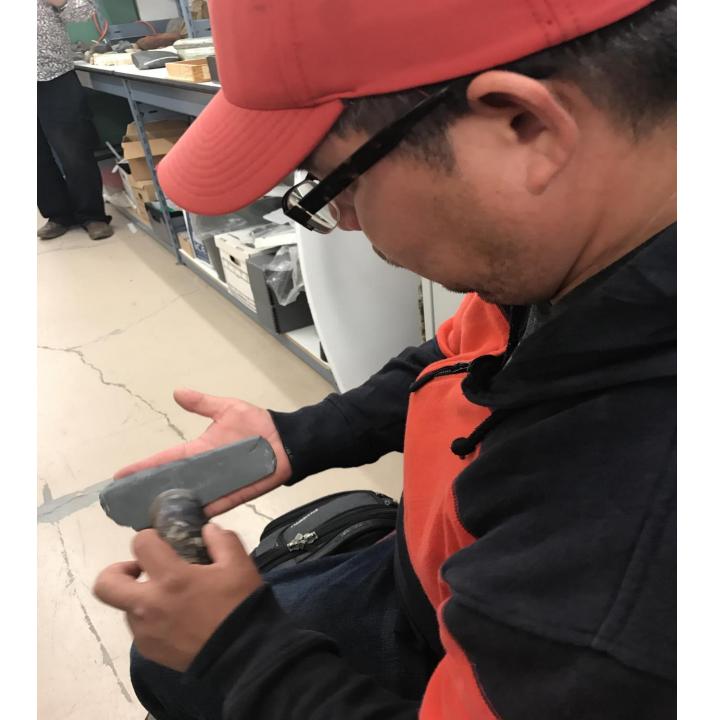






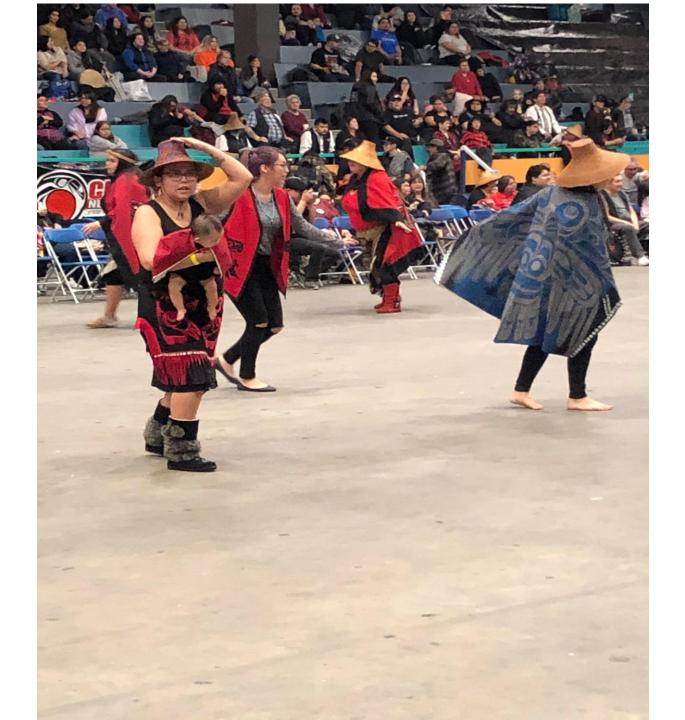








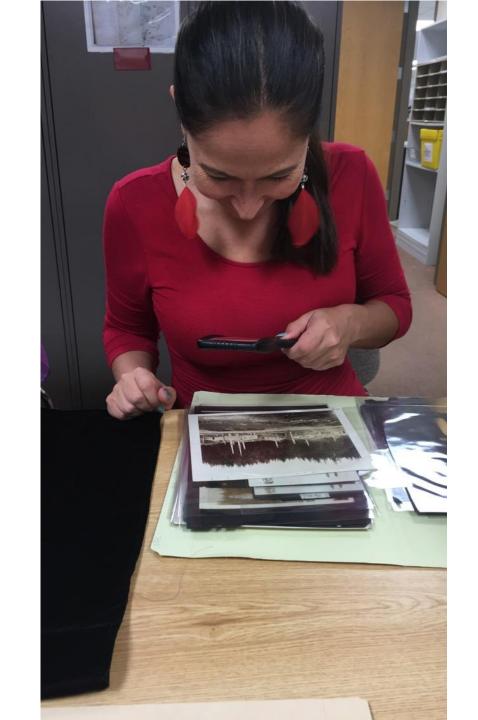
















https://www.cheknews.ca/this-week-in-history-indigenous-language-preservation-at-the-royal-bc-museum-611155/







Museums are democratising, inclusive and polyphonic spaces for critical dialogue about the pasts and the futures. Acknowledging and addressing the conflicts and challenges of the present, they hold artefacts and specimens in trust for society, safeguard diverse memories for future generations and guarantee equal rights and equal access to heritage for all people.

Museums are not for profit. They are participatory and transparent, and work in active partnership with and for diverse communities to collect, preserve, research, interpret, exhibit, and enhance understandings of the world, aiming to contribute to human dignity and social justice, global equality and planetary wellbeing.











