



OPPORTUNITY PROFILE

Banff Centre for Arts & Creativity
Board Governor





About Banff

Founded in 1885, Banff National Park is Canada's oldest national park and is one of the most visited in North America with 3 million visitors a year. The Town of Banff is a resort town and one of Canada's most popular tourist destinations. Known for its mountainous surroundings and hot springs, it is a destination for outdoor sports and features extensive camping hiking, biking, scrambling, and skiing destinations within the area.

About Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity

Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity is a public, board-governed, specialized Arts and Culture Institution operating under the authority of Alberta's *Post-secondary Learning Act*. Banff Centre is supported by funding from the Government of Alberta through the Ministry of Advanced Education, Alberta Infrastructure, and the Alberta Foundation for the Arts. Arts programs are also supported by funding from the Government of Canada through the Canada Council for the Arts, and the Department of Canadian Heritage, through a range of funding programs.

Banff Centre occupies a unique niche among Alberta's public post-secondary institutions, providing non-degree programs at the professional, post-graduate level. Drawing participants from Alberta, across Canada and globally, The Banff Centre serves the needs of learners by providing arts and leadership programming, and opportunities in applied research. Banff Centre is Alberta's globally respected arts, leadership and educational institution, and conference facility. Founded in 1933, Banff Centre is a learning institution built upon an extraordinary legacy of excellence in artistic and creative development. What started as a single course in drama has grown to become the global institution leading in arts, culture, and creativity across dozens of disciplines.



Board and Committee Structure

The Board consists of five public members and a chair appointed by Lieutenant Governor in Council, as well as nine members appointed by the remaining members of the Board, one of whom is nominated by the Federal Minister responsible for administration of the National Parks Act. The President and Chief Executive Officer is also a member of the Board by virtue of that position. Committees established by the Board include Executive, Audit and Finance, Campus Development, Human Resources, and Governance and Nominating.

The Role: Board Governor

Governors share with other Governors of the Board, the responsibilities of governing the centre. They have a commitment to the academic, financial and social well-being of the centre, and to adult learning generally. Public members take part in formulating policies which enable the Board to make responsible fiscal and academic decisions, and in establishing the purpose and vision of the centre.

Skills & Experience

The successful applicant will demonstrate the following competencies and skills:

- **Leadership** - experience inspiring and influencing others, as well as experience in key areas such as strategic planning and risk management.
- **Relationship Building and Community Partnerships** - experience making strong community connections with diverse stakeholder groups, and experience building consensus and partnerships.
- **Governance** - experience on or with board structures and policy governance models, and/or current or previous board or committee experience. A demonstrated understanding of the distinct roles of the Board and management.
- **Post-secondary Education/Delivery of Education** - experience working with and/or influencing learning and innovation systems. Experience supporting education systems.



Preferred applicants may also demonstrate background and experience in the following areas:

- Possess a professional designation as a CPA or equivalent experience in a senior financial role. Strong financial acumen, able to demonstrate knowledge or experience with accounting or financial management is preferred. This may include analyzing and interpreting financial statements, evaluating organizational budgets and understanding financial reporting.
- Experience working with Indigenous peoples and communities. A leadership role and understanding of national Indigenous issues is considered an asset.
- Demonstrated interest in, and awareness of issues affecting the arts and/or leadership development.
- Experience in post-secondary education and/or the education of adults.
- Experience in fundraising for endowment funds and/or large comprehensive campaigns.
- Demonstrated business and financial acumen.
- Experience working in the legal, political or government realms, and/or knowledgeable regarding technology industries.

Remuneration and Time Commitment

A Governor is appointed for a term of up to three years and may be eligible for reappointment for a second term of up to three years. The Board meets up to four times per year, in addition to committee meetings. A Governor can expect a reasonable time commitment to meet the demands of this role. There is no remuneration for serving as a Board member; however, Governors enjoy all expenses, accommodations and transportation covered by the Banff Centre for quarterly board meetings.

Diversifying the Board will be a priority in this process. We hope to receive nominations of candidates who have good skill sets and who will also bring an under-represented perspective to the board by virtue of their racial or ethnic background, national origin, age, sexual orientation or identity, education or disability.

Express Your Enthusiasm

Email a cover letter and tailored resume (PDF or Word document only) to [Allan Nelson](mailto:Allan.Nelson@leadersinternational.com) or [John Dugdale](mailto:John.Dugdale@leadersinternational.com) at Calgary@leadersinternational.com indicating the job title in the subject line of the email.

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