



HOT TIPS

Labour Market

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Programs & Events

► The Art of Job Search – Free Workshop Series

Tuesdays September 17, 25 & October 1, and 8 10am-12pm at the Career Centre

Looking for work can be stressful! Engage in art making, writing and self-reflection in this 4-week supportive group program. Meet two hours each Tuesday to explore the ups and downs of job search and career decision making. No art making experience required and nutritional snacks are included. Call 250.248.3205 to register for this FREE workshop series.

► Advanced Forestry Skills Program Information Session

Wednesday, September 18, 2:00pm to 3:00pm at the Career Centre

110 – 198 Island Hwy E, Parksville

Do you have a passion for the outdoors and an interest in pursuing a career in forestry? This 19-week, fully-funded, field-based forestry program could be for you! Advanced Forestry Skills Training participants will gain a wide variety of skills, certifications and hands-on experience. This program includes valuable industry networking opportunities and three week job placements with local forestry employers.

Eligibility Requirements

- Currently underemployed or unemployed
- Must live in Nanaimo or surrounding area
- Must meet EI Eligibility requirements

Program Curriculum

This Advanced Forestry Skills Training Program covers a wide range of valuable skills and certifications that will set you up for success in a future career in forestry.

The program includes:

- Forestry Field Studies, including species identification, map, compass, streams, wildlife management, forest health, GPS, GIS, timber cruising, layout, forest operations, fuels management, tree planting, silviculture and more.
- Occupational First Aid - Level 3
- Silviculture Surveyor Certification

- Wildlife Danger Tree Assessor
- Harvesting and Silviculture
- Basic Chainsaw Operator
- Basic Brush Saw, Brushing and Thinning Training
- S100 Basic Fire Suppression and Safety
- S185 Fire Entrapment Avoidance
- Basic Fall Protection
- Bear Aware
- WHMIS
- Canadian Safety Council ATV and UTV Off-Road Vehicle Operation
- BC Hydro Utility Tree Worker
- Teambuilding, Leadership, Work Readiness and more

Next Program: October 28, 2019 to March 20, 2020, Nanaimo, BC. Call us at 250-248-3205 to register for the information session. For more information see <https://www.stillwaterconsultingtd.com/nanaimo-advanced-forestry-skills-training>

► Health Care Hiring Fair

Thursday, August 29, 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Beban Park Social Centre, 2300 Bowen Rd, Nanaimo

Are you an LPN or HCA looking to jump start your career? Maybe you're looking to transition to a retirement or care community? Look no further! Join Avenir Memory Care at Nanaimo to find out discover opportunities at Avenir Memory Care at Nanaimo, Bayshore HealthCare, Origin at Longwood and other senior living communities in Nanaimo. This is a free event. There will be light refreshments available. Don't forget to bring your resume!

Hosted by Avenir Memory Care at Nanaimo

HEALTH CARE HIRING FAIR

Thursday, August 29th, 2019
from 1:00 -5:00 pm at Beban
Park Social Centre

Open to all LPNs & HCA—Bring your resume

Discover opportunities at Avenir
Memory Care at Nanaimo, Bayshore,
Nanaimo Seniors Village, Malaspina
Gardens, and Woodgrove Manor

Avenir
MEMORY CARE
at Nanaimo

► **Black Press Extreme Education & Career Fair**

Thursday, September 12, 11:00am to 3:00pm
Nanaimo Curling Club, 106 Wall Street, Nanaimo
More information at

<https://www.facebook.com/events/149831150311500/>

► **Qualicum Beach Wellness and Volunteer Fair**

Saturday, September 28, 10:00am to 3:00pm
Qualicum Beach Civic Centre, 474 Jones Street, Qualicum Beach
Free Admission, non-perishable food items accepted on behalf of the food bank. Seminars, Vendors, Support Groups, Health care practitioners.

► **Are you a Job Seeker aged 55+?**

Are you an employer looking to add Experience to your team? **The Experience Matters! Program** offers Employment Counselling, Job Entry Skills, Certificate Training, Paid Work Experience, Mentoring and Post Job Placement Support to eligible workers aged 55 and older. Employers that hire and train eligible workers 55+ and provide full time sustainable employment are eligible for a negotiated Wage Subsidy incentive up to \$2800. To register go to <https://www.experience-matters.ca/>.



► **TechWORKS** <https://spark.adobe.com/page/XOo5bGfjnA3Nm/> is a free employment program with a focus on digital workplace skills and preparing youth/young adults to navigate the employment realities of the new economy. The best part? This is an online program accessible from anywhere. If you have a computer/laptop and webcam, you have the tools needed to join.

The program includes lessons in website development, Microsoft Office suite, social media marketing, and online presence with additional tailored training for the participant, all with a focus on the realistic workplace. Our goal is to introduce new tech skills, as well as leverage existing ones, to help youth get employed as skilled talent that can adapt to change.

The program is delivered online and participants join an online classroom via video conferencing. Participants will have access to facilitators and youth counsellors via chat, ZOOM and phone. It is 6 weeks of classroom followed by 12 weeks of supported work experience. Participants will be eligible for a wage subsidy package which makes for an attractive employment applicant.

► Funding is now available for the **Get Youth Working! Program**. This program offers BC employers a Wage Subsidy as an incentive to hire youth, providing on the job experience they need to excel. The program is open to eligible youth 18-24 years of age. To register go to <https://www.getyouthworking.ca/>.

► **Community Futures Central Island - Entrepreneur in Residence**

Are you looking to start a business and have questions that you need help with?

Have you recently started a new business and now need some guidance or help with things that have you scratching your head? Are you already in business and wonder how to increase your sales or profit margins? Are you looking to expand or grow your business but are unsure if it is the right time?

If so, you are a perfect candidate for the Entrepreneur in Residence Program.

The purpose of the Entrepreneur in Residence program is to allow prospective entrepreneurs and current business owners in the Central Vancouver Island region access to invaluable advice from a successful entrepreneur. More info [here](#).

► Camosun College in Victoria is now accepting applications for the funded [Trades Exploration for Women](#)

Labour Market Information

► After six consecutive years of growth, Greater Victoria's tourism industry is cooling off a little. According to data compiled by Chemistry Consulting, tourism operators have seen little, if any, growth through the first half of 2019, with major indicators such as hotel occupancy down slightly and B.C. Ferries reporting flat traffic numbers.

"After six straight years of growth, it is clear that there will not be a seventh record year in a row, but it is still healthy," said Destination Greater Victoria chief executive Paul Nursey. "We are trending close to 2017 numbers. We were expecting a bit of a softening compared to 2018, but it is a bit deeper than we had thought."

The tourism industry appears to be facing a broad suite of issues, including economic woes in key markets such as Alberta, strained relations with China and fewer sunny days. Nursey said some of the slowdown might be due to the cyclical nature of the tourism business.

"Leading global tourism observers have been calling for a cyclical slowdown in travel for some time," he said, noting some studies have suggested global travel is on the wane due to a lack of consumer confidence and the fact travel has been riding high for so long it was bound to cool off.

<https://www.timescolonist.com/business/tourism-shows-signs-of-slowng-but-is-still-healthy-1.23913672>

- The First Quarter 2019 edition of the [B.C. Major Project Inventory \(MPI\)](#) has been released. Highlights:
- The total value of all projects across all stages in the MPI was \$355.3 billion (B), down from \$408.99 B in Q4 2018.
 - A key reason for the drop in the total value was the cancellation of two proposed LNG projects Kwispaa (Sarita) LNG (\$30 B) and WCC LNG (\$25 B).
 - The value of major projects under construction was \$114.83 B, slightly higher than the \$115.37 B in Q4 of 2018.
 - The value of completed projects was \$2.39 B, also up from \$2.21 B in the previous quarter.
 - 29 major projects started construction in Q1 2019, with an estimated total value of \$1.45 B.
 - The report lists 22 new proposed major projects for Q1 2019, representing \$2.50 B in potential new capital investment.

- There are 66 Indigenous projects with a total estimated cost of \$123.99B across all stages, from proposed to complete; these involve Indigenous communities in such capacities as project owners, project partners or through benefits agreements.
- Projects with provincial government funding totalled \$24.92B across all stages.

Job Postings

Parksville and Area

- ▶ Journeyman Painter - Opulent Painting Ltd. - Qualicum/Parksville/Nanoose/Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2KY0S5H>
- ▶ Interior/Exterior Painting – Pride Painting – Parksville/Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2KM2q3R>
- ▶ Full Time Greenskeeper- Fairwinds Community and Resort - Nanoose Bay <http://bit.ly/2MvqZUJ>
- ▶ Certified Dental Assistant - Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2HjRqbO>
- ▶ Recreational Gymnastics Coach – Flipside Gymnastics - Parksville and Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2P97qUt>
- ▶ Post Office Assistant – Term - Canada Post - Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2L5OReO>
- ▶ Postal Clerk - Retail Counter Clerk - Canada Post - Parksville <http://bit.ly/2L0aahB>
- ▶ Front Desk Receptionist - Elegance Sculpting – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2NoAhI8>
- ▶ Painter/Painter Helper – Can Do Painters - Qualicum Beach to Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/30DjVJ8>
- ▶ Cabinet/Closet Organizer - Installer/Manufacturer – Arrowsmith Kitchens and Closets - Parksville <http://bit.ly/30Cg4vZ>
- ▶ Qualified ECE Full-time - Qualicum First Nation Childcare - Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2HqyMil>
- ▶ Administrative Assistant - BC Ambulance Service – Parksville <https://jobs.phsa.ca/job/-/-/909/13072012>

Nanaimo

- ▶ Western Forest Products – <http://bit.ly/2DFYbzZ>
- ▶ BC Public Service - Job Opportunities <https://bit.ly/2A1TJ1Y>
- ▶ Nanaimo Community Magazine Director – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2ZjgTIF>
- ▶ Framing and Concrete Forming – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Z7jlql>
- ▶ Showroom Consultant - Bartle and Gibson Co. Ltd. – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2ZkEEUL>
- ▶ Experienced Framer – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2TRfEPE>
- ▶ Print Production Assistant - Elite Image - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2TUSEJh>
- ▶ Carpenter/Handyman - Nanaimo Renovations Team – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/31ViPcc>
- ▶ Administrative Assistant - BD Mitchell Prosthetic & Orthotic Services Ltd. – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2ZfD8iv>
- ▶ Medical Office Assistant/Receptionist - Caledonian Clinic Ltd. – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Mv01N4>
- ▶ Legal Administrative Assistant - Small Law Firm – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/30oz7d9>
- ▶ Data Entry / Office Assistant - Seaview Glass - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2zaPazn>
- ▶ Shipper – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2ZiV2G7>
- ▶ Siding Installers and Crew – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2MCDZbh>
- ▶ Full-Time Accounting Student – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Pge0JO>
- ▶ Business Development Representative - Island Daily Deals – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/30xpsku>
- ▶ Accounting Clerk - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2HrOoT4>
- ▶ Office Assistant - Harbour City Holdings Ltd. - Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2NxifRW>

Port Alberni and Area

- ▶ Site Assistant - Job Number #20465 - McLean Mill Society - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca>

- ▶ First Nation Advocate Nurse (FNAN) - TThe Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council (NTC) Nursing Department – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2NrjUnV>
- ▶ Resource Social Worker (Out of Care) - Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council - Port Alberni <https://indeedhi.re/30IGv9e>
- ▶ Elementary School Principal - Haahuupayak School - Port Alberni <https://indeedhi.re/2L33Agu>
- ▶ Indigenous/Aboriginal Recruitment Application - CIBC – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2KK832C>
- ▶ Loader/Processor Operator - Vancouver Island Logging Ltd. – Port Alberni <https://indeedhi.re/2Z8z098>
- ▶ Dental Assistant - Job Number #20005 - Local Employer - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca>
- ▶ Cannabis Consultants, Cannabis Operations – BC Liquor Distribution Branch - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2NBL4c2>
- ▶ Level 1 or Level 2 Insurance Agent - Job Number #20481 - Schill Insurance Brokers Ltd. - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca>
- ▶ Coordinator - Job Number #15422 - Bamfield Community School Association - Bamfield <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Full Time Permanent Reception/Bookkeeping - Job Number #20477 - Pacific Chevrolet Buick GMC Ltd. - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Support Worker/Building Attendant - Job Number #20343 - Canadian Mental Health Association - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>

Job Search Tips

- ▶ Six ways to learn about a Company's Culture <https://money.usnews.com/money/blogs/outside-voices-careers/2015/06/03/6-ways-to-learn-about-a-companys-culture>