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Register Now for Arts and Heritage Workshops: *Legal Bootcamp for Non-Profits: Law and Governance 101 & Record Keeping & Privacy for Non-Profits*

(Columbia Basin) The WK Regional Arts Council is offering two workshops with a focus on arts and heritage organizations, presented by Martha Rans, Lawyer. ***Legal Bootcamp for Non-Profits*** is a one day program designed for senior leadership and Board members in the non-profit and charitable sector. The course provides foundational knowledge and capacity to identify, plan for and respond to legal issues that can arise in the managing of an arts and heritage non-profit and will include: governance & accountability, privacy, employment & human rights and changes to the Societies Act in BC.

Participants will have an opportunity to explore real-life situations, identify the distinctions between legal and non-legal problems, gain knowledge about how lawyers and the legal system address such issues, discuss relevant legislation governing non-profit and charitable organizations and strategies for risk management. **Time & Date:** September 14, 10 am – 4 pm. **Location:** Nelson Chamber of Commerce, 91 Baker St., Nelson, BC. **Cost:** **\$15.00** for WKRAC members, **\$25.00** for non-members. **Travel Subsidies:** Limited travel subsidies (partial, towards mileage) are available to WK arts and heritage organizations who are located further than 80 km.

The new BC Societies Act includes changes to record keeping / access to records. ***Record Keeping & Privacy for Non-Profits*** is a 2 hour session (offered prior to the WKRAC AGM) highlighting the changes to organizational record keeping & access to records for non-profits. How do you remain compliant with the Societies Act while still ensuring you are compliant with the Personal Information Protection Act? Are you aware that members of your Society now have a right to access the Official records of the Society? Do your members know that their contact information can be shared with other members? If this is news to you then this workshop is for you. When was the last time you looked at your privacy policy? Learn what to look for and how to keep your organization PIPA and CASL compliant. **Date & Time:** September 15, 10 am – 12 noon. **Location:** Hume Hotel – Emporium Room, Nelson, BC. **Cost:** This workshop is **free of charge for WKRAC members, \$10 for non-members.**

These workshops are provided with the generous support of The Province of British Columbia. **To attend, pre-registration is required as space is limited.** For further information or to register, visit: www.wkartsCouncil.com and click on “workshops”.