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GET INVOLVED THIS SUMMER

JOIN OUR YOUTH BOARD!

Joining our Youth Board connects you with other youth, allows you to help make our communities stronger, and looks great on your resume or scholarship application. You will be paid an honorarium for your time, and will also receive a generous technology allowance. Right now, we have seven positions open! We're looking for directors to represent Graham Island Central (Port Clements and Tlell) and Skidegate Band Council, and alternate directors for Graham Island North (Masset and Tow Hill community), Graham Island Central, Graham Island South, CHN Old Massett and Skidegate Band Council.

We're looking for people between the ages of 13 and 21 who have an interest in youth initiatives, are computer literate, are willing to read and discuss funding applications, and are available for four to six meetings a year. If this sounds like you, please apply via email to joey.rudichuk@gwaitrust.com with a resume and a one-page cover letter outlining why you'd like to join the Youth Board. Application deadline is October 1.

GRAHAM ISLAND CENTRAL DIRECTOR TO BE ELECTED THIS SUMMER

We are looking for a new director to represent Graham Island Central on the Gwaii Trust Board from August 2018 until April 2019. The nomination period begins June 25 and closes July 5.

Watch for advance voting in Tlell on July 25, followed by regular voting August 4 in Port Clements. The successful nominee may be appointed by Gwaii Trust members at any time after August 14.

EDUCATION GRANTS GET BIGGER

Islanders are getting degrees or training in all kinds of fields with assistance from our Continuing Education Grants. If you're undertaking any kind of post-secondary studies, you are now eligible for up to \$3,750 a year, or a maximum of five courses at \$750 per course (our previous maximum was \$3,000 a year and up to four courses funded). This grant is open to all residents of Haida Gwaii who have lived here for the past 24 consecutive months. For more information or to apply online, see the Continuing Education Grant section of our website.

CARL HART LEGACY FUND ESTABLISHED

Jim and Rosemary Hart have created the Carl Hart Legacy Fund in their son Carl's memory for the benefit of Haida youth. Investment earnings from the Carl Hart Legacy Fund will be used to support youth-oriented programs on Haida Gwaii in perpetuity. Initially, this support will be directed to the Lepas Bay Rediscovery Camp. This program gives young people a chance to reconnect with the land, their culture and their communities.

The Legacy Fund will be managed by the Haida Gwaii Community Foundation, a Canadian charitable foundation established by Gwaii Trust Society. The endowment fund will be invested as a separate account in the Gwaii Trust investment fund. The Gwaii Trust has offered to match all donations to Carl's Legacy Fund to at least \$250,000. The fund has received over \$50,000 in donations and pledges to date, which translates into \$100,000. For more information about Carl's Legacy Fund, please see the Haida Gwaii Community Foundation section of our website.

*Above image: An Arts Workshop grant helped fund a "Hunted to Danced" regalia making project. Skidegate youth were taught how to tan deer hides with traditional methods. The finished hides were cut and sewn into regalia, and adorned with Haida designs.
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