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VANCOUVER JAPANESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL & JAPANESE HALL

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Volunteer Advisor Cultural Management & Heritage Conservation

Join a dynamic and exciting Board and help guide one of Vancouver's oldest cultural community organizations at a unique time in its history.

The Vancouver Japanese Language School & Japanese Hall is building a thriving community where individuals of all backgrounds and experiences can learn and participate in the Japanese language and culture. As a national historic site, it actively upholds the history of Vancouver's Nikkei community and facilitates cultural exchange with other multicultural, neighbourhood, and international groups. Volunteer advisors share their insights, perspectives, knowledge, and wisdom with VJLS-JH board directors and staff on an as-needed basis to influence and support operations and decision-making.

Advisor Responsibilities:

- Provide expertise on cultural programming and community engagement strategies
- Advise on heritage conservation practices and historical preservation
- Support the development of culturally appropriate educational programs
- Guide museum and archival practices for historical artifacts and documents
- Advise on cultural event planning and community outreach initiatives
- Provide guidance on maintaining authentic cultural representation

Required Qualifications:

- Degree in Museum Studies, Cultural Management, History, or related field
- Minimum 5 years of experience in cultural institutions, museums, or heritage organizations
- Knowledge of Japanese-Canadian history and Nikkei community heritage preferred
- Experience with heritage building conservation and cultural artifact preservation
- Understanding of multicultural programming and community engagement

Commitment: Flexible schedule, approximately 5-10 hours per quarter

Duration: Ongoing or until sufficient expertise is secured

Location: Primarily remote with occasional in-person meetings at the facility.

To apply: Please send an email with a cover letter and resume to General Manager, Yoshi Sugiyama at ysugiyama@vjls-jh.com. Please address questions to membership@vjls-jh.com.