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***Vancouver, Canada – The Vancouver Biennale announces the City of North Vancouver as a host city for the 2014-2016 exhibition, transforming the historic Pipe Shop Building at the City's waterfront into a destination infused with great art.***

The Vancouver Biennale is expanding to the City of North Vancouver, bringing two public art installations to Upper Lonsdale and a 9,000 square foot indoor exhibition space at the Pipe Shop Building in Shipbuilders' Square at the City's waterfront. The Biennale International Pavilion, which is scheduled to open in May, is being transformed by rotating groups of artists from Brazil, who will add new layers of art installations throughout the summer that highlight Brazil's dynamic culture beyond our stereotypes. Additional exhibitions will follow.

Public art installations and a series of public talks will compliment the Pavilion, encouraging residents and visitors alike to explore great Contemporary art throughout the city.

"The City of North Vancouver welcomes the Vancouver Biennale to our waterfront this summer to build on our vision of a vibrant waterfront destination," said Mayor Darrell Mussatto. "Residents and visitors alike will enjoy meeting the Biennale artists in residence at The Shipyards, and we look forward to showcasing world class sculpture in the City's public spaces over the next two years."

"The Pipe Shop Building is an incredible opportunity for the Biennale to create a cultural hub at the City's waterfront, reimagining this historic space into a destination infused with art," said Barrie Mowatt, President and Founder of the Vancouver Biennale. "We are creating a destination of international merit for tourists and the community to gather, imagine and dialogue as global citizens."

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### **About the Vancouver Biennale**

The Vancouver Biennale is a non-profit charitable organization that celebrates art in public space. Each exhibition transforms the urban landscape into an Open Air Museum, creating globally inspired cultural experiences where people live, work, play and transit. The Biennale features internationally renowned and emerging Contemporary artists that represent a diversity of cultural perspectives and artistic disciplines including sculpture, new media, performance works and film. The objective is to use great art as a catalyst for transformative learning and social action. For more information, visit [vancouverbiennale.com](http://vancouverbiennale.com)

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