

# Kate McMahon, Content Developer

Kate has successfully completed more than twenty interpretive planning and exhibit design projects for a variety of institutions during her nine years with APA — from natural and cultural history museums to zoos, science centers and visitor centers. Kate is a certified interpretive planner, fluid communicator and a diligent researcher, who makes stories 'come alive'. An effective collaborator, Kate has extensive experience working on multidisciplinary teams and contributing to the creative process. Her professional experience working for a variety of non-profits informs her insightful and sensitive approach with clients. Kate's perspective is enhanced by her global travels, and her determination to enhance visitor accessibility. With a background in history, anthropology and museology, Kate brings depth and enthusiasm to every project.

#### **Education**

- Master of Arts Degree, Museum and Heritage Management, Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham, UK
- Post Graduate Diploma, Cultural Resource Management, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC
- Bachelor of Arts Degree, Double Major in History and Anthropology, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC

### Qualifications

Certified Interpretive Planner, National Association of Interpretation – 2014

#### Museums

- Manitoba Museum Shared Solutions, Winnipeg, MB 2014
- Alaska State Library, Archives and Museum, Juneau, AK 2011
- Flint Children's Museum, Flint, MI 2011
- Britannia Mine Museum, Britannia Beach, BC 2010

### **Science Centres**

- Lloydminster Cultural Science Centre, Lloydminster, SK Current
- Tatweer Science Centre, Saudi Arabia 2012
- Sheikh Zayed Desert Learning Centre, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates 2012

### Interpretive, Visitor and Cultural Centres

- Oregon Nikkei Legacy Centre, Portland, OR Current
- Wanuskewin Heritage Park, Saskatoon, SK Current
- Campbell River Community-based Visitor Centre, Campbell River, BC 2018
- Fort Langley National Historic Site, BC 2018
- Fort Anne National Historic Site, Annapolis Royal, NS 2017
- Carl Hayden Visitor Center, Page, AR 2016
- Spring Mountains Visitor Gateway, Spring Mountains National Recreation Area, NV – 2015
- Wells Gray Information Centre, Clearwater, BC 2014
- Vancouver Island Visitor Centre, Comox, BC 2012
- Beaver Creek Interpretive Centre, Saskatoon, SK 2011
- Falcon House, Sir Bani Yas Island, United Arab Emirates 2011

### **ALDRICHPEARS** ASSOCIATES

- Qaryat Al Sarab Heritage Village, Liwa, United Arab Emirates 2011
- San Gabriel River Discovery Center, El Monte, CA 2011
- Fort St. John Interpretive and Visitor Centre, Fort St. John, BC 2009

### Parks, Preserves and Site Interpretation

- Shubenacadie Wildlife Park, Shubenacadie, NS 2016
- Waskasoo Park, Red Deer, AB 2012
- Al Ain Wildlife Park and Resort, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates 2009

#### Zoos

- Oregon Zoo, Portland, OR 2013
- Calgary Zoo, Calgary, AB 2011

#### Other Institutions

- Surrey Biofuel Facility, Surrey, BC Current
- Skagit River Hydroelectric Project, Seattle City Light, Seattle, WA 2016
- Gulf of Georgia Cannery, Richmond, BC 2012
- John Hart Generating Station, Campbell River, BC 2012

## **Other Experience**

- · Public Programming, Royal British Columbia Museum, Victoria, BC
- Collections Management, Centre for Economic Botany, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, London, UK
- Exhibit development, "A Woman's Place", Maltwood Art Museum and Gallery, Victoria, BC
- · Community Audit, Nottingham Museum Service, Nottingham, UK
- · Community Relations, Quest Outreach Society, Vancouver, BC
- · Administration, University Librarian's Office, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC