

Chinatown Storytelling Centre

Vancouver, BC



Journey Through a Changing Community

Early Chinese immigrants to Canada struggled for acceptance as they helped build the country. The Chinatown Storytelling Centre transports visitors through Chinese Canadian history, from the poverty-stricken 1920s through the booming 1960s to the present day.

APA worked closely with Vancouver's Chinese Canadian community to develop an immersive environment for gathering their stories. From completing the Canadian Pacific Railway to gaining the right to vote, visitors experience the community's pivotal—and emotional—moments. A theatre glowing like a paper lantern provides a unique space for community gatherings, lectures and feature presentations.



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