

# Congratulations

**Processional** 

Graduands

Graduands will be led by Jay Percival, Drummer

Chancellor's Party

The Party will be led by Carla George, Drummer

Kajola Morewood, Mace Bearer

Carleen Thomas
CHANCELLOR

Dr. Trish Kelly
PRESIDENT + VICE-CHANCELLOR

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CHAIR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Alanis Obomsawin HONORARY DOCTOR OF LETTERS RECIPIENT

Diyan Achjadi VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC + PROVOST

Michelle Fu + Brian McBay
EMILY AWARD RECIPIENT

# to the Class of 2025!

#### Ceremony

The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts May 8, 2025 Ceremony #1 | 10:00am

OPENING REMARKS
+ WELCOME
Diyan Achjadi
VICE PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC
+ PROVOST

CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS
Carleen Thomas

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CONFERRAL OF HONORARY
DEGREES + PRESENTATION OF
EMILY AWARD
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#### PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

Lieutenant Governor's Medal

## PRESENTATION OF DEGREES Parnian Anaa

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
CONVOCATION SPEAKER

#### Celeste Martin DEAN, IAN GILLESPIE FACULTY OF DESIGN + DYNAMIC MEDIA

Introduction of Bachelor of Design in Communication Design, Industrial Design and Interaction Design

Bachelor of Media Arts, 2D + Experimental Animation, 3D Computer Animation and Film + Screen Arts

CLOSING REMARKS
Don Avison, K.C.
CHAIR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

# Welcome

### Carleen Thomas CHANCELLOR

Congratulations to the largest graduating class in Emily Carr University's history! As you begin your careers as creative thinkers, innovators, and thought leaders, remember the perseverance, creativity and craftsmanship you channeled here at ECU. Your art reflects that fearlessness and courage that will help you succeed and thrive in the future.

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### Don Avison, K.C. CHAIR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

On behalf of Emily Carr University's Board of Governors, I extend my most ecstatic congratulations to the largest graduation class in our history! We pride ourselves in nurturing and shaping the next generation of talented changemakers. Therefore, I cannot wait to see what stunning works you will create as you unveil your talent to the world. Please accept my warmest wishes as you enter this next chapter of your creative journey.

### Dr. Trish Kelly PRESIDENT + VICE-CHANCELLOR

Today, we celebrate an incredible milestone in your lives - Convocation! You have worked through tough challenges and valleys that have tested you and made you a stronger and more resilient artist, designer, and creative thinker. As a witness to your inspiring journey, I am filled with immense pride at all you have achieved at Emily Carr University of Art + Design. You are now an esteemed member of a thriving alumni community that boasts some of our industry's most influential creative minds. I cannot wait to see the extraordinary contributions you will make. Congratulations to each and every one of you!

# Emily Award Recipients



Michelle Fu



Brian McBay

Michelle Fu and Brian McBay are Co-founders of 221A, a Vancouver-based cultural space and artistic research organization.

Under their leadership, 221A operates a growing network of over 140,000 square feet across nine properties that provide space for artistic production and housing.

What started as a student collective at Emily Carr University in 2005, Michelle and Brian apply their training and experience in fine arts and industrial design to community governance and cultural space design and operations.

Over the last twenty years, they have worked collectively with artists and designers to secure space and access resources, with a focus on reversing inequality, xenophobia and colonialism in Canada.

## Honorary Degree Recipients



Alanis Obomsawin C.C., G.O.Q., C.A.L.Q. NATIONAL FILM BOARD

A member of the Abenaki Nation and one of Canada's most distinguished artists, Alanis Obomsawin has been a trailblazing champion of Indigenous storytelling and cinema over a legendary career that began at the NFB in 1967.

Companion of the Order of Canada and laureate of both the Governor General's Performing Arts Award and the Governor General's Award in Visual and Media Arts, Ms. Obomsawin has received more than 50 lifetime and career accolades, as well as 13 honorary degrees. She has directed 66 films to date that have amassed over 50 honours, including 15 awards for her 1993 landmark feature documentary on the 1990 Oka Crisis, Kanehsatake: 270 Years of Resistance.

"Much has been said and discussed about Alanis's legacy, which, it's vital to point out, is still unfolding with every new film in her remarkable—and remarkably long—career as a director, producer, writer, singer, artist and activist. She is many things to many people, as all great leaders are. Her body of work is astonishing. With over 60 films already complete and with more in various stages of development, Alanis Obomsawin is unlike most screen storytellers from any nation on Earth."

—Jason Ryle International Programmer, Indigenous Cinema, Toronto International Film Festival.

Six years before Oka, Alanis was present with her camera during Quebec police raids on the Restigouche Reserve to make Incident at Restigouche (1984), a film that she has said "encapsulated the idea of films being a form of social protest" and had a profound impact on her filmmaking practice.

Born in New Hampshire on Abenaki territory, Alanis was brought by her mother to live on the Odanak reserve northeast of Montreal at the age of six months. She first came to the attention of NFB producers Joe Koenig and Bob Verrall in 1966, when she was the subject of a film by Ron Kelly for CBC-TV's Telescope series. Also, an acclaimed singer and visual artist, Alanis is the subject of an exhibition on her life and work, The Children Have to Hear Another Story, which is touring Canadian cities.



Paul Larocque

Paul Larocque has had a career in the arts and cultural sector spanning more than three decades and continues to be committed to promoting the importance of the arts and arts education in our communities. Paul is currently the President & CEO of Arts Umbrella—an internationally recognized leader in the area of arts education for young people.

He has led the 46-year-old non-profit organization through a period of significant growth, notably, with the recent opening of its 72,000 square-foot centre on Granville Island. Prior to his current role, Paul held the position of Associate Director at the Vancouver Art Gallery for more than a decade.

For several years, Paul has served as a mentor and a selection committee chair with the Loran Scholars Foundation, as well as volunteering with the McCall MacBain Scholars program. For more than 20 years, Paul has been an active member of Chor Leoni, an internationally recognized choral ensemble.



Chepximya Siyam' Cheif Janice George

Chepximiya Siyam' Chief Janice George graduated from Capilano University, North Vancouver, BC, and the Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, NM, USA. She feels her education at these schools helped her excel as a teacher, adding to her most important and cherished traditional teachings. She is a hereditary chief, trained museum curator and educator.

George most recently was artist in residence with the Indigo Arts Alliance in April 2023. George is a textile artist and, along with her husband, brought back almost lost knowledge of Coast Salish Weaving to Squamish people. Public art includes co-designer of soon to be new Vancouver Art Gallery facade, Arc'teryx Park Royal Art designer, N'Chkay new office art designer, Simon Fraser interior design with Urban Arts Architecture Vancouver, Squamish and Lilwat Cultural Centre.

Collaborations with Burritt Brothers for hand-knotted and commercial carpeting murals around Vancouver, weavings in Simon Fraser University, Arcteryx Park Royal, Squamish and Lilwat Cultural Centre, amongst others.

# Ceremonial Elements



#### **COAT OF ARMS**

Emily Carr University's coat of arms was commissioned by the Board of Governors and developed under the direction of Mr. Robert D. Watt, Chief Herald of Canada. Elements of the coat of arms include: a shield with a geometric allusion to perspective, a crest rising from a wreath of blue and white depicting a raven in Coast Salish style that represents transformation and cleverness, and two crows (noted for their intelligence) who support the shield on either side and represent the University's urban setting.

The Crest was designed by Susan A. Point (D. Litt), First Nations artist and past Board member of Emily Carr University.

#### EYE, MIND + HAND

The Emily Carr University motto links together the notion of perception and visualization of the world through the eyes, the operation of the artist's mind in the creative process and the use of hands to bring an idea to life.

#### **EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY MACE**

Designed and carved by
Aboriginal artist and alumnus
Xwalacktun (Rick Harry), the
Emily Carr University Mace is
carved from mahogany with a
base of yellow cedar and
depicts the elements of an
eagle, a human figure, a map of
British Columbia and bells. The
handle is representative of a
talking stick, used in Aboriginal
ceremonies for centuries. The
intricately carved swirl in the
base is designed to emphasize
the power of the mace.

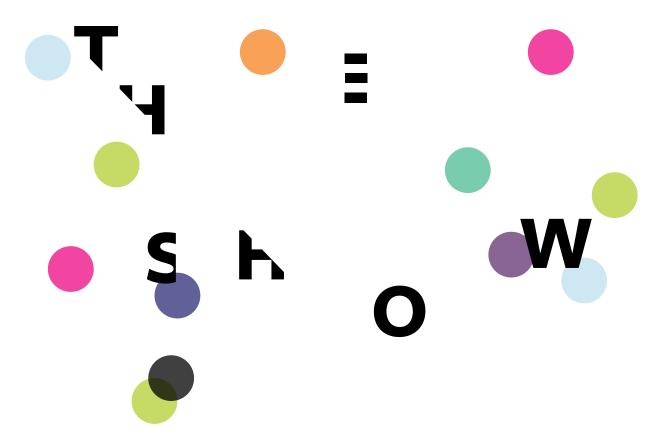
#### **Alumni Association**

Congratulations on completing your degree! We're proud to welcome you to our renowned alumni community. Your new alumni status comes with perks. Upon graduating, you automatically become a member of the Emily Carr University Alumni Association, which grants you free access to a number of benefits and services. Visit ecuad.ca/alumni for details and start enjoying your alumni privileges today.

You're now part of an alumni group with connections around the world. Stay connected through our social media channels, join our networking platform, The Leeway, and get to know the alumni association board at **ecuaa.ca**.

Please share your news and successes with us so we can continue to cheer you on!

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Welcome graduating students, award recipients, honoured guests, family, friends, alumni and the Emily Carr University community! We invite you to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2025 during our annual graduate exhibition, The Show. Visit us in person from May 7 through May 21, and experience the virtual exhibition online, anytime.

#### **BACHELOR OF DESIGN**

#### COMMUNICATION DESIGN

Stuart Argo Jordan Beaumont Summer Bilsky Shamsa Bin malek Danielle Lauren Bryant Naomi Burke

Ava Cassar Torregiani

Brandon Chan Chih chi Chen Chelsie Chin Dario Da Silva Ruijie Dai Kathy Deng

Ioanna Maia Yvonne Diomis

Stuti Gulati Ethan Harrison Natalia Herrera Yong

Luca Jacoe Harmeen kaur Clare Yeon Lee Siyeon Sienna Lee Sienna Lee Ming Lee

Daehyun Lim Olivia Martin Joshua Matheson

Clara Monteiro Gonçalves

Seoyoung Moon Leila Mukheriee Madeleine Mullen Paige Neufeld Evzen Pabellon Diya Utkarsh Patel Coel Poesiat Aidan Pompilio

Mhairi Artemisia Elizabeth Prins

Anoushka Rawal

Emma Leigh Paige Rogers

Graciella Rosary Jessica Ruffolo Samaah Sidiqui Sakeena Soni Marius Tam Alice Tien An Tran Alisa Trysheva Chloe Tseng

Eduardo Vinocur Wahba

Georgia Wagner Carmen Emily Xie Yimeng Yang Ava Zabolotney ZHOU SHIYI Zhu YiOi Kyla Zwack

#### **BACHELOR OF DESIGN**

#### INDUSTRIAL DESIGN

Nicholas Agafontsev Parnian Anaa Jay Ang João Bendoval Fiona Billinton Liam Borsa Adora Buxton Victoria Chan Yulong Chen

Adrian Nicholas deHeer-Amissah

Oscar Derben Luke Kieran Dunn Eden Eisses

Tenaya Joan Fogelman Lucas Gomes Balthazar

Robin Grotzke Liam Haigh Isy Humenny Nao Ide Hailey Johnson Hanna Kim Hyun-Joon Kim Yoona Kim Chaelyn Lee Talena Lordrin Camila Lozano Emelie Lundstrom Samuel McInnis Benjamin Migneault Mỹ Quyên Ông Megan Pereria Mathis Pourrier Zeyao Qiu Michelle Qu Luisa Raigoza

Maxim Rockel Natalie Schmidt Dena Smith Yixuan Sun

Tommy Yixuan Sun Ariana Felicity Tan

Lena Tarr

Deborah Faye Parafina Tuazon

Anitta Twardzik Aradhita Virmani Alex Wang Vaughan Woodward Yingzhuo Wu Xing Yicong Finnian Young

Ankeda Zake Vic Zhang

#### **BACHELOR OF DESIGN**

#### INTERACTION DESIGN

Ishita Arora Jiayi Chen Rose Choi Olivia Chung Ava Clark Shareen Esmail Artem Fostach Tianming Guo 天名 Xinyuan Hu Prayag Kalianda Chun Man Lam, Jaman Amy Lee

Cherry Lee Kris Lee Katie Liu Eshaan Logani Athmika Manoi Andril Mazur Shizhi Mei

Anoushka Aneesh Nair Yuna Oh Wesley Paterson Paniz Pavam Roshana Rostami Angelina Rudakova Jolene Shen Sania Siddiqui Yelu Song Kinasih Utoro Ting Wang Rebecca Wong Jenny Wu Ziqian Wu lingWen Xu Zimo Xu Jianwei Yang Yongying Yang Daniel Yousefi Kevin Yu

Wendy Yu

Zoe Zhang

Liang Zhu

Luyishuang Zhou

#### **BACHELOR OF MEDIA ARTS**

### 2D + EXPERIMENTAL ANIMATION

Skye Allen Kara Alphonso Paige Arace

Aranza Berges Navarrete

Carola Campa Madeleine Campbell Bianca Castagno ALYCIA YUK YEN CHAN Kayla Cunanan

Kayla Cunanan Viva D'Anna Luna Davies Junlin Duan Shelby Duyvestyn Deanne Angelina Emery

C. Fears
Yuanxue Gao
Gina Guan
Alexis Han
Anran Hao
Asa Harrenstein
Marymay Howse

Marymay Margaret Howse

Lucy Jesperson Rose Khadka Grace Kim Ryah SM King Ashley Knowler

Hyunkyung Lee / Po Lee

Natasha Lee Jewelle Lemonious

Alice Li

Winona Weichun Liao

Jeralyn Magantino
Paulina Manjarrez
Kayleigh Mark
Kaitlyn McAloney
Sydney Mcconney
Lingjun Mi
Kirsten Mills
Edrick Nombrado
Ming Yang Pan
Yije Park

Rafael Rodrigues Lydia Lok-Ga Rogers

Nishtha Seth Yuna Shin Stephanie Sie Sydnee Violet Sutton

Hannah Sy

Emilio Terrazas Rocha

Madeleine Yiu Suhyeon Yoo Chloe Yu Langyu Yu

#### **BACHELOR OF MEDIA ARTS**

#### 3D COMPUTER ANIMATION

Claire Arts Suman Aujla Anna Banda

Filipe Canavarro Pereira

Yutong Cao Lingxi Ding Jingjing Fang Dae- Young Ha Marissa Hendrawan Hyunbi Jo

Adryan Jones Dayeon Kang Seoyeon Kang Kang Soo Kyung Stephan Karuniadi

Sojin Kim Victoria Korina

Vy Le
Jieun Lee
Nahyeon Lee
Rotem Levy
Li Siqi
Yushan Li
Maggie Lin
XUANZHE NI
Nieve Paw Cho Sing
Stella Quast
Maeghan Rodriques

Caishi Su

Annabelle Bianca Sugiarto Nicola Su Jessica Wallis Lavina Natalie Wijaya

Qianyu Xie Hui Xu Christine Yoon Ching Yan Yu

#### **BACHELOR OF MEDIA ARTS**

#### **FILM + SCREEN ARTS**

Odartey Aryee Muhammad Luke Alexander

Yuxi Cai Lucia Chio Felix

Rylee Cronin Tristan Hinder-Hohlweg Lula-Belle Jedynak

Chae Eun Kim Brennen Michael King Donya Mossanen-Amini Quinton Nguyen Emmalene Nichols Alexandra Ostroushko

Alex Silva Ava Jane Stanley Lexi Strachan Michael Oyaro Swanya Michael Swanya Keith Verbonac Yuhan Yang

Lake Paredis

Wanying Zhou

## Graduands 2025

