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Art Battle proceeds helping update art gallery studio space

This summer's Art Battle is supporting an updated artists space at the Campbell River Art Gallery.

At the CR Live Streets Art Battle event, artists created unique acrylic paintings that were auctioned off at the end of the evening. Half the money raised is being used to kickstart renovations at the art gallery studio.

"This is a great example of artists generating momentum that supports future art," says Karen Chappell of the City's recreation department. *"Changes at the studio will make it a brighter space that better serves the community."*

"The Campbell River Art Gallery is very grateful to the City and Art Battle for their donation," says Vicky Chainey Gagnon, Executive Director and Chief Curator at the Campbell River Art Gallery. *"Being able to enrich this space will make artists working here happier and more productive – and a more creative workspace can even empower artists to become more inspired."*

CR Live Streets events have run since 2015. The summertime events are free of charge and help bring vibrancy to downtown and the cultural district.

In 2018, CR Live Streets events included Art Battle, Evening Market, Chalkfest, Show on the Row and Music in the Night – and more than 3,300 people came together in the downtown core to play, eat, socialize, dance, listen to music and create art.

"The CR Live Streets event team is currently planning next year's events and aims to add new events to some favourites returning in 2019," Chappell adds.

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