



# Terracotta Warriors

A Limited Edition Public Art Project



**Welcome** to our 1st newsletter for the Terracotta Warriors Art Project. We will endeavor to bring you highlights of the project from now till our soft unveiling of the first 3 sculptures in the Fall of 2011 and right through our Grand Opening in April 2012, the public display period of April 2012-October 2012 and into our closing reception and auction.

Our goal will be to keep you informed of our partners, our patrons and our artists. We will highlight select artists and partners who we feel have an interesting story to tell. We will also present a **Did You Know** section where we will unveil interesting facts and legends about the Terracotta Warriors.

Finally, we are open to suggestions and will give due consideration to articles presented to us. Enjoy! *The Editors.*

## Welcome Aboard!

We are very pleased to welcome all our Media Partners, Project Partners, Patrons, Steering Committee and Artists.

*Media Sponsors - The Vancouver Sun, Global TV and CKNW*

*Major Partners - Scotiabank, Caorda Solutions, CIF Composites, DDB Canada and Teldon Print Media*

*Artist Patrons - Century 21, CIF Composites, DDB Canada, Luding-Sekikawa Family, MCL Motor Cars, O'Brian Family Foundation, Rosebud Properties, Scotiabank (Oakridge Mall, Richmond, Vancouver Chinatown), Teldon Print Media, Tourism Vancouver and the UBC Sauder School of Business*

*Steering Committee - Michele Becker, Walt Judas, Chuck Lew, Dan Muzyka, David Poole, James Tan, Jan Walls and Paul Yeung*

*Artists - Mandy Boursicot, Shu Ren (Arthur) Chen, Erin Foggoa, Hildy Ho, Cathryn Jenkins, Dean Lauze, James Tan & Shya-Fen Tsai*

As we continue to build this public art exhibition, we will add more and more partners, sponsors, artists and patrons. Thank you to everyone for getting on board so early allowing this project to take hold and develop over the next 18 months. You have made a big difference!



## Patron Spotlight

### MCL Motor Cars Bentley Unveiling

MCL Motor Cars is one of our newest patrons to sign on and they invited our first unpainted Terracotta Warrior sculpture to attend their exclusive unveiling of the new Bentley Continental GT. The reception took place at Brix Restaurant in Yaletown this past February.

The Bentley Continental GT, red in colour, was stunning and the talk of the evening. In the next room with all the delicious appies was our Terracotta Warrior posing for photos with guests and letting everyone know that the Terracotta Warriors will be on the streets of Vancouver and Richmond in 2012. Thank you MCL.



Herb Mills, Bonnae Leong & Shelley Budd from MCL



### Tourism Vancouver is Back on Board

A big thank you to Walt Judas and Tourism Vancouver for coming forward and sponsoring one of the Terracotta Warrior sculptures. Working with Tourism Vancouver through their publications, the distribution of the Terracotta Warrior Maps and their exposure through their Visitor Centre, will guarantee excellent visibility of our project to the millions of tourists that will visit the Lower Mainland in 2012.



## Did you know...

That one of the legends for the Terracotta Army goes like this:

Around 220 BC the Qin Emperor was successful in consolidating seven territories into one country under his domain. He also connected the walls of these seven territories and that wall is now known as the Great Wall of China.

The legend would lead us to believe that the Qin Emperor was able to control everything in the country except for one thing – life after death.

With that in mind the Qin Emperor decided to commission thousands of artists in the land and he asked them to create a life after death that would consist of birds, acrobats, musicians, horses and chariots and an army of warriors from Generals to foot soldiers. Now known as the Terracotta Army, these sculptures would be positioned underground surrounding the Qin Emperor's tomb. By doing this, the Emperor was able to create an afterlife for himself and also provide protection against marauders trying to get to his tomb and his jewels.

What we do know now in fact is, that the Terracotta Army was discovered quite by accident in 1974 by 5 men digging for water in Xian, China.



Qin Shi Huang  
First Emperor of China

## Artist Profile...James Tan



Mr. Tan will be painting the first Terracotta Warrior sculpture starting in March of this year. As he works on his sculpture, the public will be able to see his progress as he will be working on it in the window of his gallery - The James Tan Gallery at 437 Columbia Street, Vancouver. For the public display his sculpture will be located in front of the Chinese Cultural Centre Museum and Archives at 555 Columbia Street, Vancouver.

Mr. James Tan is a Chinese Canadian Brush Artist/Painter from Vancouver, British Columbia. In his years of study with established masters of the Lingnan School and more than fifteen years of teaching other aspiring artists, Mr. Tan has now emerged as a leader of the next generation of Lingnan brush painting masters.

The youthful, innovative spirit of the founders of the Lingnan School has inspired James Tan to extend his own work well beyond tradition. He blends a mastery of Chinese brush painting with an ability to capture the essence of Western culture, thereby creating a style of Chinese brush painting which is distinctly his own.

With 37 one-man shows in Singapore, Japan, Thailand, Dubai, Bahrain, Australia, England, Germany, the U.S.A., and Canada behind him, James' recent works retain the same exquisite quality that has made his name synonymous with creativity and true excellence around the world. His works are represented in international private and corporate collections.



Mei Mei and JJ and Gaby

## Artist Profile...Dean Lauze



"It was a great honor to be asked to create the first Terracotta Warrior statue for this project. The mysticism and incredible magnitude behind the relatively recent discovery of perhaps the worlds largest archeological art discovery is overwhelming in itself and then to be asked to dive in, study and recreate a large scale original sculpture was a humbling experience. One cannot help but imagine the hundreds of Artists it took to create the Terracotta Army, or the Emperor who envisioned and commissioned such a feat and, of course, the intimidating and honor bound warriors themselves. I received immense enjoyment from working on this project and hope you enjoy seeing the sculptures on the streets of BC in 2011/2012". *The artist, Dean Lauze*

Dean Lauze and his wife Christina through their company D'Arts, have built a reputation for creativity and excellence by integrating classical skills with modern technology. Perhaps best known for their exceptional mural work, they are also proficient in sculpture, illustration, graphic design, fine arts and more. To see D'Arts online portfolio go to their website at [www.lauze.com](http://www.lauze.com).

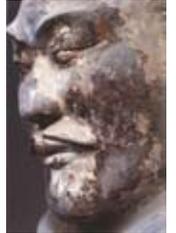


## Call to Artists:

Seeking local artists to partner with sponsoring individuals or organizations, to create a unique design and if your design is successful, apply it to the surface of a 7 foot custom formed fiberglass Terracotta Warrior sculpture provided by the BC Lions Society.

The Terracotta Warrior becomes the artist's canvas. Once the work is complete, the Terracotta Warriors will be displayed in prominent public spaces around participating communities. A "Terracotta Warrior Map" will be created and distributed showing the location, sponsor and artist.

For complete information and artist application forms, please visit our website.



## Patronship Opportunities:

- The opportunity to be the Patron of one custom fibreglass (approx. 7 ft), Terracotta Warrior to use in an approved display location
- The opportunity to patron a talented BC artist on the development of your Terracotta Warrior sculpture
- Terracotta sculptures will be on display for approximately seven months from April 2012 to October 2012
- Name recognition on the plaque fixed at the base of your sponsored Terracotta Warrior
- You will receive name recognition in the official "Terracotta Warrior Guide Map"
- You will receive name recognition on the Terracotta Warriors public art project website and in the Terracotta Warrior auction program
- You will benefit from media materials as a Patron of a Terracotta Warrior sculpture
- VIP Invitations to the Terracotta Warrior launch events
- Each Terracotta Warrior Patron will receive a miniature replica of the Terracotta Warrior designed by Dean Lauze with custom base and plaque to recognize their Patronship

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Please contact [smiller@lionsbc.ca](mailto:smiller@lionsbc.ca) to Patron a Sculpture today!

## Where your money goes...

The British Columbia Lions Society for Children with Disabilities is registered as a charitable organization and has been providing services throughout British Columbia since 1952.

We are dedicated to enriching the lives of children through a renewed focus on "Giving Children Abilities". We are committed to do all we can to enhance the lives of children with disabilities.

Our services include 3 Easter Seals Houses, 3 Easter Seals Camps, Easter Seals Buses, Patient Care Grants, the Lions Helipad at Vancouver Hospital, the Lions Laser Skin Centres, and Bursaries at Colleges. Our vision for the future is to continue building, not only specialized services and facilities, but young hearts and minds as well. Giving children with disabilities self-esteem, self-confidence and a sense of independence is what we are all about.

