



**COMMUNICATION:  
LISTENING, CONNECTING,  
LEADING**

**Local Government Leadership Academy  
2017 Leadership Forum  
February 1-3, 2017  
Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport  
8181 Cambie Rd, Richmond, BC**

**Program Overview**

Our theme for the 2017 Forum is ***Communication: Listening, Connecting, Leading*** and we invite you to join us, **February 1-3**, as we learn from one another and from the experts. On offer are sessions on everything from public speaking, to managing difficult conversations, to moving beyond bullying and harassment, to understanding communication styles, to learning about important local government communication tools. Acclaimed author, journalist and Canadian Truth and Reconciliation Speaker **Richard Wagamese** will deliver an engaging keynote on the importance of storytelling. This year we will have a **graphic recorder** attend Forum events and sessions and produce an artistic rendering of the proceedings, as well as deliver a “how-to” presentation. **Robert Laboucane** of Aboriginal Awareness Canada will discuss how to improve communications between local governments and First Nations communities; and **The Humphrey Group** will deliver a practical, two-part workshop on public speaking. These are just some of the sessions we invite you to attend.

Take some time out from community service to reflect on the past year, absorb some new knowledge, meet some new people or connect with old friends, and gather some practical skills and tools to take you into a successful 2017. We welcome all local government and First Nations elected officials and senior administrators and we encourage every community to invest in this unique leadership development opportunity.

Our **FULL PROGRAM** is now available online, as is registration, accommodation and other important information. Please visit the [2017 LGLA Leadership Forum](#) page for details.

**Who Should Attend?**

Since its inception in 2007, this annual conference has been well-received by elected officials and senior administrators from local governments and First Nations communities across BC. All those with an interest in leadership at the local level will benefit from attendance, including those working towards an LGLA Certificate in Local Government Leadership.

**Electoral Area Directors** attending the EA Forum hosted by UBCM January 30-February 1, 2017 – also at the Radisson – should consider taking in both events. More information on this partner event will be available soon through UBCM.

## **Local Government Leadership Academy**

The mission of the Local Government Leadership Academy is to provide local government and First Nations elected officials and senior administrators with comprehensive, timely and dedicated leadership development opportunities in the interest of improving governance at the local level. Visit our website to learn more about the LGLA and certification opportunities: [lgla.ca](http://lgla.ca).

### **Event Information**

Visit the Forum webpage for our full agenda, program, accommodation and other event details and regular updates:

<http://lgla.ca/events/2017-leadership-forum-2/>

### **Registration Fee: \$310 + GST**

The registration fee covers the cost of the conference, the opening reception, two breakfasts, lunch on day two and refreshment breaks.

**Register online at:** [www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2017/LGLA-LeadershipForum](http://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2017/LGLA-LeadershipForum)

*Registration deadline is **January 18, 2017**. Full refund up to and including that date, but no refunds after January 18. Substitutions are permitted.*

For more information see [lgla.ca](http://lgla.ca) or contact LGLA Coordinator, Eydie Fraser, at [efraser@lgla.ca](mailto:efraser@lgla.ca) or 778-800-9952 (ext. 102) or LGLA Program Manager, Errin Morrison, at [emorrison@lgla.ca](mailto:emorrison@lgla.ca) or 778-800-9952 (ext. 101).

### **Location and Accommodations:**

A block of rooms has been set aside for forum delegates at a rate of \$125 per night at the Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport in Richmond. The Radisson is currently waitlisting rooms at the group rate – be sure to ask for the UBCM/LGLA group rate in order to reserve a spot at the discounted price. Please contact the hotel via phone or email as noted below.

Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport

8181 Cambie Rd, Richmond, BC

Call Direct: 604-276-8384 (ask for UBCM/LGLA group rate)

Call Toll Free: 1-800-333-3333 (ask for UBCM/LGLA group rate)

Email: [reservations@radissonvancouver.com](mailto:reservations@radissonvancouver.com) (ask for UBCM/LGLA group rate)