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Olympic Partners to create legacy collection of 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games memorabilia

The City of Vancouver is working with the Canadian Olympic Committee, the Province, Whistler, the Federal Government, the Four Host First Nations, and VANOC to assemble a legacy collection from the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The comprehensive collection will be preserved and made accessible for research, permanent and traveling exhibits to tell the story of the Vancouver 2010 Winter Games — from athletic achievement to its transformative effects on the city, region, province and country.

The Museum of Vancouver will preserve and manage the collection on behalf of the City and the Olympic Partners. The Museum will ensure wide public access to the artifacts through exhibits and loans to other institutions such as the BC Sports Hall of Fame and Canada's Sports Hall of Fame.

"As the Games come to a successful close, we want to provide people with the opportunity to share and relive their Olympic and Paralympic experiences," said Mayor Gregor Robertson. "By collecting these important memories, we will build a legacy collection that will tell Vancouver's stories for generations. I am proud that the City, the Canadian Olympic Committee and VANOC are taking the lead to assemble and preserve this important legacy for Vancouver and Whistler."

"MOV is pleased to be able to help preserve and interpret this significant era in our city's transformation and history," said Museum of Vancouver CEO, Nancy Noble.

The legacy collection will include many artifacts that exemplify Canada's athletic achievements, the look of the games, their cultural legacy, the unprecedented sustainability legacy, and the legacy of community involvement which was one of the most remarkable features of the Games.

Examples of items already in the city's collection include: a puck from the men's hockey final game, a podium, medal trays, uniforms and costumes, Olympic signage, and flags, including the Georgian flag raised at Vancouver City Hall in memory of Nodar Kumaritashvili.

Sport organizations, athletes, our partners, volunteers, and members of the public with items that can help tell the complete story of Vancouver 2010 are invited to contact Wendy Nichols, Curator of Collections: wnichols@museumofvancouver.ca 604.730.5312.

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