

Q & A: Walter Morgan Studio Preservation Project

The following questions and answers are intended to provide an overview of the project.

1. What is the project?

The project will preserve the Walter Morgan Studio, located on the Sybil Andrews property. The historic oceanfront property was home to celebrated artist Sybil Andrews and her husband Walter Morgan from 1947 until 1992. This is the first property on the Campbell River Community Heritage Register and includes the Sybil Andrews cottage and the large workshop, known as the Walter Morgan Studio as well as flower gardens, apple trees original to the property and unobstructed views to Quadra Island.

2. What preservation work is being done?

Work includes construction of an internal support framework, replacement of rotting board and batten siding sections, window rehabilitation, chimney and floor repairs and building stain.

3. Where is the project?

2131 South Island Highway.

4. When is the construction work going to take place?

Preservation of the studio will take place between December 2018 and June 2019.

5. What is the cost of the project?

The project budget approved by City Council is \$200,000, with \$13,500 of the budget being provided by a heritage grant. In 2011, the Campbell River Noon Rotary Club provided \$7,000 and 350 hours of volunteer work to replace the roof to curtail further damage to the building.

6. Who has been involved in developing the plans?

Dewhirst Lessard, heritage consultants, and John Dam and Associates, heritage engineers have been engaged in the plans for preservation.

7. Who will be constructing the work?

Local contractor, 2hills renovations, has been hired to do the preservation work.



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