

# Six Richmond Arts Awards winners announced

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*Jackie Lai, recipient of the 2021 Youth Arts Award. | City of Richmond*

Six recipients of the Richmond Arts Awards were recognized for their work and dedication in the arts community.

The 13th annual arts awards, presented by the City of Richmond and the Richmond Arts Coalition, recognize Richmond residents, artists, business leaders, educators and change-makers who have contributed to the arts community.

This year, a total of 51 applications were received and reviewed across six categories this year.

“In the past year, the arts have helped us cope with our separation by bringing us together in creative ways,” said Mayor Malcolm Brodie

“Despite the challenges artists have faced, these recipients demonstrated resourcefulness, tenacity and passion for their community and deserve the recognition they are receiving with this award.”

This year’s 2021 Richmond Arts Awards recipients:

### **Artistic Innovation**

Artists Rendering Tales Collective Inc.

### **Arts Education**

Brigid Coult

### **Business and the Arts**

Aberdeen Centre

### **Cultural Leadership**

Chiyoko ‘Mary’ Hirano

### **Volunteerism**

Jiliang Yao

### **Youth Arts**

Jackie Lai

The Richmond Arts Awards ceremony is held annually every May. However, like in 2020, the ceremony is cancelled once again due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Instead, an online campaign will be held throughout the summer to highlight each artists’ work on the @HowArtWorks Instagram account.

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