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Maritime Museum unveils 'economical' new building

The Maritime Museum of B.C. unveiled its newly renovated heritage building and entrance on Thursday.

"It may not be a new building," said museum president Keith Reed, "but it fits the economies of the times."

The museum had been hoping to be hard at work on a new \$30-million, waterfront building by now.

Instead, it has had to settle for a \$115,000 spruce-up and improved entrance for the 105-year-old for-

mer law courts in Bastion Square.

The 30-year-old lattice work covering the entrance was ripped off and a new color scheme added to make the building more attractive as the focal point on the square.

"It is more appropriate and in keeping with the square," Reed said.

The \$115,000 of taxpayers' money was put up by B.C. Buildings Corporation which owns the building, said Rick Townshend of BCBC.

28 Bastion Square