

Reminder - John Adams & Chinese Victoria - Dec 7, 2022

Haven't booked your ticket yet? Hoping for a "last minute" seat?
We suggest you book now to ensure you can attend our meeting of
December 7, 2022 for the talk by historian John Adams .

Please join with John Adams and the Hallmark Heritage Society as we
hold our first major meeting since COVID.

At 7pm, on Wednesday, December 7th, we shall meet at the James Bay
New Horizons Centre, 234 Menzies Street, as John Adams, author
of *Chinese Victoria: A Long and Difficult Journey*, for an illustrated talk
about the buildings of Chinatown, from the gold-rush era to the present
day. Discover how wooden structures gradually gave way to brick ones,
and some of the earliest brick structures were replaced by bigger ones.
Find out about the changing architectural styles, civic bylaws that had an
impact on Chinatown's built environment and its social patterns, and
some of the architects who designed Chinatown's surviving heritage
infrastructure. The talk will focus on past developments but will also trace
the conservation movement that affected Chinatown as early as the 1960s
and continues to today.

Please Click this [LINK](#) to book your ticket

Tea, coffee and treats will be available.

Please bring a contribution to the Refreshments Table

Chinese Victoria

A Long and Difficult Journey



FIRE!!

One of the greatest risks to our heritage housing is that of fire.

At the end of August another heritage house experienced a serious fire. The house at [1040 Princess Avenue](#) was 'saved' but is still vacant and boarded up. Recent inquiries have resulted in no information as to the future plans for the site which was a facility operated by Island Health.

With the advent of Winter we urge all homeowners to check the perimeter



Photos from VictoriaFire730 Instagram



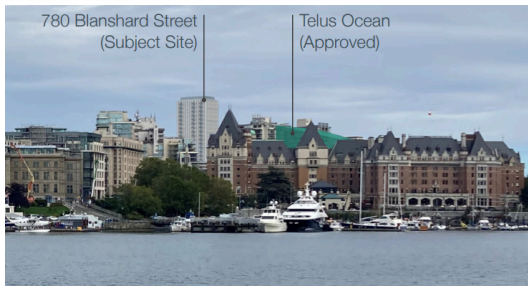
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Photos taken from City of Victoria development proposal by office of mcfarlaine biggar architects and Reliance Properties.

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An interesting proposal now being reviewed by the City of Victoria Planning Department is that for the heritage-registered Art Deco building at 780 Blanshard Street.

This building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places in Canada and additional information can be obtained from their site at [LINK](#).

The proposal would place an eighteen-story tower for residential purposes on the top of the existing building which will be converted to hotel purposes. The result - a twenty-two story building that would be visible from most of Victoria and provide great views for the high-priced residential units.

Virtually no parking. Some spots but these would be difficult to access as the developer is arranging "off-site" parking.



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