

CUVIC 2014

Community-University Engagement

This May, UVic will host CUVic 2014, a three-day international conference on community-university engagement. Abstracts are being accepted through Feb. 14. Faculty are invited to showcase some of UVic's outstanding community collaborations, and volunteers are also being sought to support the conference. Celebrated humanitarian Stephen Lewis will kick off the conference May 20 with an evening presentation. Additional speakers include former provincial court judge and BC's 28th lieutenant-governor Steven Point, and UVic's Hakai Chair in Ethnoecology and renowned ethnobotanist Dr. Nancy Turner. Call for proposals/abstracts: www.uvic.ca/cuvic2014

LABOUR RELATIONS

Faculty Association Votes to Unionize

In January, members of the UVic Faculty Association voted to certify as a labour union. The online vote, using the system offered by the university, had an 83-percent voter turnout and faculty decided 448 to 263 to unionize. As a result of the vote, the Faculty Association will be certified as a union under the BC Labour Relations Code. The administration and Faculty Association must now begin negotiation of the first collective agreement. Until the first collective agreement is in place the terms and conditions of the Framework Agreement will continue to apply.

WHAT SETS UVIC APART?

Rebranding Project

This month, UVic launched *The UVic Difference: Positioning for Success* project to renew and sharpen UVic's reputation and messaging to reflect how our



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