

# Christina Chowaniec

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## Selected Exhibitions/Screenings

- 2018 *STARDUST TRAVEL AGENCY* (Chowaniec Projects), National Academy x BombPop!Up, New York, NY  
2018 *STARDUST* (Chowaniec Projects), ChaShaMa Gala, 4 Times Square New York, NY  
2017 *STARDUST* (Chowaniec Projects), Wall Space Gallery Train Yards, Ottawa, ON  
2011 *No Experience Required*, Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival (Best of the Fest Tour), Vancouver, BC  
2011 *No Experience Required*, Mammoth Film Festival, Mammoth Lakes, CA

## Residencies

- 2017 Gullkistan Center for Creativity, Laugarvatn, Iceland

## Work Experience

### **May 2017 to Present – Co-Founder, Chowaniec Projects**

*Chowaniec Projects* is a collaboration between two sisters, Brooklyn-based artist Alex Chowaniec and Chris Chowaniec, founder of an eco-tourism company in Vancouver, Canada. Our relationship to landscape, both mental and physical, is at the core of our shared cultural identity and our collaboration. Creating sanctuary, through art and nature, is the vehicle. We believe that simple conversations lead to larger collaborations, and when we work together we are capable of so much more. We seek to visualize the concept that we are part of something greater than ourselves; and therefore we are implicated, more aware, accountable and can create change on an individual and global level.

### **May 2010 to Present – Founder & Operator, Dam Good Trips, Inc.**

Dam Good Trips specializes in creating self-guided hiking, canoe & kayak packages for exploring Vancouver and the BC Coast. Each trip DGT creates is tailored specifically to fit a group's experience, skill and comfort level. DGT matches the needs of each individual client with the many paddling and hiking destinations available in BC and then equips them to do it. Alone. Unguided. But well prepared and informed about the challenges. DGT takes care of the packing, preparation, route planning, food, transportation and gear. Clients get the convenience of a fully planned and outfitted package tour with the independence and flexibility of a custom designed trip. (<http://damgoodtrips.com>).

### **October 2017 to Present – Program Coordinator, NatureKids BC**

NatureKids BC is a nature discovery and environmental action organization that helps children get outdoors to explore, play, learn about and take action for nature. I am responsible for volunteer engagement and program management of our nature club leadership network, ensuring the organization provides the best possible experience for its volunteers and members. I also champion nature clubs in communities across BC, and recruits, supports and manages the many volunteer nature club leaders through coaching, mentorship and communications.

### **May 2015 to October 2016 – Western Canada Operations Supervisor, Alta Expedition**

### **April 2012 to October 2016 – Instructor, Deep Cove Canoe & Kayak Centre (seasonal)**

### **August 2011 to 2015 – Production Coordinator, Merging+Media Conference (contract)**

### **November 2008 to May 2010 – Community and Communications Coordinator, DigiBC**

### **September 2007 - Consultant – Kyrgyz Community Based Tourism Association**

## Certifications

- Paddle Canada Level 1 Sea Kayak Instructor / Level 2 Skills certification
- Sea Kayak Guides Alliance of BC (SKGABC) Level 1 Sea Kayak Guide
- Advanced Wilderness First Aid
- VHF Radio Restricted Operator Certificate (Maritime) – DSC endorsement
- Pleasure Craft Operator Card (Boat license)