

<b>I'm Alona Puehse and I'm</b>  
<b>the CEO of Open Door Group.</b>  
<b>I've been fortunate enough to work at this</b>  
<b>organization for 14 years,</b>  
<b>I just absolutely love it.</b>  
<b>So as an organization, our mission is</b>  
<b>fostering well-being for all</b>  
<b>by opening doors to meaningful and</b>  
<b>sustainable employment.</b>  
<b>So everything that we do as an</b>  
<b>organization is centered around</b>  
<b>an individual person and their success.</b>  
<b>And we know that it just doesn't come down</b>  
<b>to Open Door Group alone to be doing that.</b>  
<b>Working together with other service delivery</b>  
<b>partners, other agencies in the community</b>  
<b>who are bringing specialized expertise, who</b>  
<b>are bringing access to</b>  
<b>resources such as housing, training,</b>  
<b>they all play such an important role in that</b>  
<b>individual person's success.</b>  
<b>And that is how we operate.</b>  
<b>I'm Monique Nelson and I'm the Director of</b>  
<b>Community Engagement for posAbilities</b>  
<b>So organizations like posAbilities provide</b>  
<b>a full spectrum of supports</b>  
<b>from housing, to employment</b>  
<b>employment, to meaningful days</b>  
<b>where we both converge greatly is our</b>

<b>interest in skill development, community</b>  
<b>inclusion, partnerships,</b>  
<b>and breaking down stigma</b>  
<b>for people with disabilities.</b>  
<b>So opening the doors to work.</b>  
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<b>And we like to do that through the arts.</b>  
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<b>And that's where we found we have the sweet</b>  
<b>spot in our partnership</b>  
<b>because we can work together and have a</b>  
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<b>greater impact and support</b>  
<b>more artists more efficiently.</b>  
<b>My name is Yat. </b>  
<b>I'm deaf and hard of hearing.</b>  
<b>I wear ear prosthesis and</b>  
<b>bone-anchored hearing aid.</b>  
<b>And hearing has always been a challenge for</b>  
<b>me and learning as well.</b>  
<b>So being able now to work closely with</b>  
<b>employers at the Presidents Group,</b>  
<b> through Open Door Group</b>  
<b>has been a really enriching experience</b>  
<b>because I get to</b>  
<b>operationalize inclusive workplaces</b>  
<b>with business leaders in British Columbia.</b>  
<b>In our line of work when you want </b>

<b>BC business leaders to</b>  
<b>champion for inclusive employment,</b>  
<b>it can always be sometimes challenging,</b>  
<b>especially when you approach</b>  
<b>a person or a group of people</b>  
<b>who are an employer that has not taken </b>  
<b>time or maybe not had</b>  
<b>that opportunity to address</b>  
<b>attitudinal barriers in the workplace.</b>  
<b>We want to have people live flourishing</b>  
<b>lives with our support.</b>  
<b>Our vision is a world where all people</b>  
<b>have access to opportunities</b>  
<b>that give them purpose,</b>  
<b>prosperity, and belonging.</b>