

City of Richmond June 18

Parks, Recreation & Culture e-Newsletter





Steveston Salmon Fest | July 1

Celebrate Canada Day

The 78th Steveston Salmon Festival will take place in Steveston Village on Tuesday, July 1 from 10:00am to 5:00pm with the Spirit of Steveston Zone open until 7:30pm. The annual celebration of community spirit will span Britannia Shipyards National Historic Site to the Gulf of Georgia Cannery. Festival goers are invited to enjoy the day-long program of live music, family-friendly activities, delicious food and the show-stopping Canada Day Parade. See stevestonsalmonfest.ca for more details.

Early risers can enjoy the adorable procession of the Kids' Bike Parade beginning at 9:30am. Children, donning their finest Canada Day gear, will ride in the big parade through a crowd full of cheers and encouragement. But that's just the beginning. At 10:00am, more than 70+ dazzling floats set off from Garry Point Park, head east on Chatham Street, south on Third Avenue, east on Moncton Street, ending at Railway Avenue.

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2 New Outdoor Play Areas

Join the fun with outdoor activities

Steveston Community Park Playground

It's back! Celebrate the re-opening of this beloved playground located just northeast of No.1 Road and Moncton Street, following extensive renovations that began in September 2024. The public is invited to attend the opening of the new playground on Tuesday, June 24 at 9:30am with a ribbon cutting ceremony with Mayor Brodie and members of Council, face painters, a bubble artist and other family-friendly activities.

Inspired by Steveston Village's rich history, new playground features include a lighthouse tower, fishing boat climbers, double zipline, sand and water play and inclusive play elements for all ages and abilities.

Big Blue Blocks Outdoor Play Area

Design, stack, imagine and invent at the City of Richmond's Big Blue Blocks outdoor play area, featuring a broad array of light weight large foam building blocks. Located once again on the lawn west of the Richmond Cultural Centre Annex (7660 Minoru Gate), this interactive and free play experience invites adventurers of all ages to unleash their creativity until the end of summer. From towering castles to imaginative forts — the possibilities are endless using more than 150 foam pieces.

Open now until September 2, Monday to Friday, 10:00am-5:00pm and Saturday and Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm.

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Calling all Daycampers Summer programs start in July

It's time to register for daycamps! Led by enthusiastic and experienced staff, children will be inspired to stay active and socialize in a safe and respectful way as they connect with new peers and learn healthy new skills that will last a lifetime. Choose from the age groups below:

- Preschoolers
- Children
- Youth

Register online, by phone at 604-276-4300 or in-person at any parks, recreation or cultural facility.

REGISTER NOW



Volunteer SpotlightJohn Campbell (City of Richmond Archives)

John started volunteering in 2010 as a retirement activity and he continues today! He has an interest in history, research and writing, and enjoys the social connections that volunteering offers. As a weekly volunteer with the Friends of the Archives, John also helps at the organization's activities and events.

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Community Challenge On Now

It's not too late to join

Join the <u>ParticipACTION Community Challenge</u> and help Richmond in becoming Canada's Most Active Community and win \$100,000 to support local sport and physical activity initiatives.

Community members are encouraged to take the pledge or participate as an organization during the Challenge, on now until June 30. Rally your friend group, sign up your workplace, team or community group, participate individually, or get the family on board. Discover more than 95 free and low-cost activities on offer by the City and partners during June — there's never been a better time to get active and *prove you move*.

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Swim. Skate. Golf. Fitness.

The \$29 Summer Active Pass is your all-access pass to summer fun

This annual popular pass is now available for purchase for those five to 18 years with unlimited access to a wide range of drop-in activities across the city from June 14 to September 1.

Activities include:

- Swimming, fitness centre access and select drop-in group fitness classes at Minoru Centre for Active Living and Watermania*;
- · Swimming at South Arm and Steveston Outdoor Pools;
- Skating** at Richmond Ice Centre (public skating only);
- Golf*** at West Richmond Pitch & Putt;
- Fitness centre access and select drop-in group fitness classes at Cambie, City Centre, Hamilton, South Arm, Steveston, Thompson and West Richmond Community Centres*; and
- Select drop-in activities at community centres.

*Fitness centre access and select group fitness classes are available for 13 to 18 year olds. An orientation, completed Informed Consent Form and Par-Q+ Form are required to use community fitness centres. Pre-booking an orientation is strongly recommended.

*Skate rentals extra.

**Golf rentals extra; children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult.





Save the Date

Urban Wildlife Exhibit
June 13-August 31
Seine Net Loft

Thompson Community Picnic
June 19, 5:30-8:00pm
Thompson Community Centre

Community Services Connectors
Program
Every Sunday, 2:00-4:00pm
Ironwood Library

<u>Cricket - Introduction - Children</u> July 3-31, 3:30-5:00pm <u>Minoru Park</u>

Watch for the next Parks, Recreation and Culture e-News on Wednesday, July 2