

I Love Transit is October 1-5!

Since 2009, we have dedicated an entire week to sharing our love of transit. The first week of October celebrates our riders, staff, transit enthusiasts and everything else we love about transit. This year, I Love Transit is **Oct. 1-5**, and here's how we're celebrating:

» **WIN PRIZES** We love that you love transit, so we have a bus load of great contests on during I Love Transit and continuing for the entire month of October! Details can be found within this issue, or at translink.ca/ilovetransit.

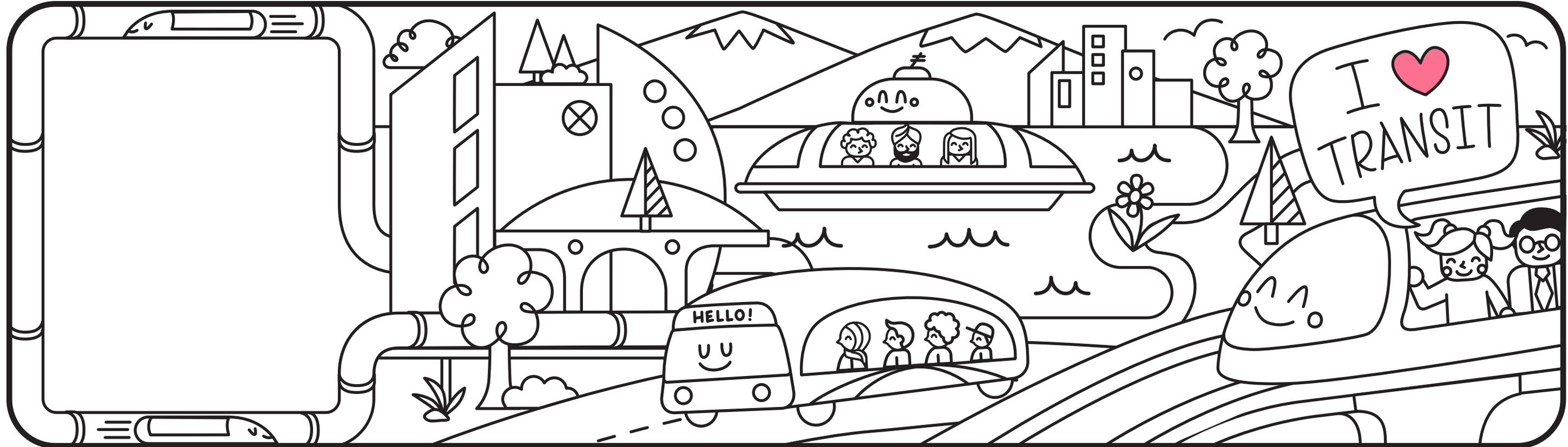
» **SHARE STORIES** Why do you love transit? We want to know! Share it with us via email at thebuzzer@translink.ca with the subject "I Love Transit Stories" or tweet it using the hashtag #ILoveTransit for a chance to have your story featured on *The Buzzer* blog!

» **COME TO TRANSIT CAMP** Hey Teachers (and students)! Enter to win a **FREE** all-inclusive field trip for your class! Enter on *The Buzzer* blog by Friday, **Oct. 5**.

» **KIDS RIDE FREE** Our annual tradition of free **BUS** only travel for students in K-12 continues from **Oct. 1-5!** More details at translink.ca/ilovetransit.



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Colour and complete this illustration for a chance to win!

We'll draw for two Monthly Passes on October 31: one for kids 15 & under and one for everyone 16 & over. Email your work to thebuzzer@translink.ca or mail it to The Buzzer, 400-287 Nelson's Court, New Westminster, BC, V3L 0E7.

Include your contact info! And please note we may use your entry in our marketing materials to share just why you love transit!

Name _____

Age _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I love transit because... _____

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BACK ISSUES

The Buzzer has been published for over 100 years! In this section, we mine through our archives for some fun historical finds!

1959 The September 11, 1959 issue of *The Buzzer* reminded parents that children become paying transit customers on their fifth birthdays.

Children five and over pay a reduced fare until their 12th birthdays. After that they pay adult fares except on school days between 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. when they may ride at the children's rate.

Today, children under 5 still ride for free with a paying adult, however kids between ages 5 to 18 are eligible for a reduced concession fare on all modes of transit. Students in kindergarten through grade 12 are eligible for **free bus travel during I Love Transit, Oct. 1-5**



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Share your love of transit!

I Love Transit: Connections is **Oct. 1-5!** Keeping the momentum from last year's theme of *Beyond*, this year our theme is *Connections—the future of transportation in Metro Vancouver!* With I Love Transit comes many great opportunities to win! Every year, we ask our customers to share what you love about riding buses, SkyTrain, SeaBus and West Coast Express in Metro Vancouver. Here's a small sampling of what you said last year:



BUS OPERATORS

Bus Operators are like butterflies, Once you get to know them, They become a part of your life.

They will help you to the best of their abilities, Protect you like a mother protecting its cubs, Guide you to the brightest star.

Before you know it, comes au revoir, As butterflies, they flutter away They touched your life in a very special way.

So let us chat with our Bus Operators, For they will teach us the unknown, And leave footprints in our hearts before we know it.

Let us be polite and respect our fellow Canadians, Who have dedicated their time, and a part of their lives, To serve public as Bus Operators.

They do not have the easiest job in the world, As they need talent and patience. They deal with pain in their muscles and joints, And struggle like you and I.

Let us appreciate our Bus Operators, Who look into our eyes with kindness and compassion, And drive us to our destinations with love and passion.

How lucky we are to have those who Have dedicated their time and lives to be Bus Operators.

— Poem written by *The Buzzer* reader **Joy**

We're once again looking for you to get creative and continue the conversation about why you love transit! Share your stories by emailing thebuzzer@translink.ca for a chance to have them included on our blog during the week.

We know that your love for transit has no bounds so pick a social media channel, and share your best song and dance using the hashtag **#ILoveTransit** for a chance to win! Here are some of our favourite tweets from last year!



Head over to translink.ca/ilovetransit for more I Love Transit stories, ways to get involved and win! And don't forget to flip this issue of *The Buzzer* over for our annual colouring contest.

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Free bus travel for students in K-12!

Students in kindergarten through grade 12 are eligible for **FREE BUS** travel during I Love Transit Week, Oct. 1-5.

We ask teachers who are planning to take advantage of **FREE BUS** travel for field trips to plan the transit portion during off-peak hours, between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Please note that this does not include SkyTrain, SeaBus or West Coast Express. Regular fares apply to adults accompanying children and high school students on the system.

