

# SkyTrain — welcome aboard the future

Here's just a glimpse into the future you'll experience aboard SkyTrain once the system moves into full commuter service.

SkyTrain transforms the task of 'people-moving' into a science, with time-saving features right down the line. Automated trains, a self-serve ticket system and ultra-modern stations get you where you're going — fast!

You can board at any of 15 stations along the 22 kilometre SkyTrain line, from New Westminster to Vancouver's Waterfront.

Automatic Train Control makes possible SkyTrain's fast, frequent timetable. But should you miss your train, relax — there's another arriving every 4 minutes during peak hours.

Aboard SkyTrain, you'll glide along a special guideway at speeds of up to 80 kph — completely separated from traffic congestion and level crossings.

Though SkyTrain offers some remarkable hardware, the heart of this system is people. SkyTrain personnel are specially trained to help make your trip comfortable, safe and hassle-free.

And here's just one more prediction about your travel future: Get together with SkyTrain and you're sure to become fast friends.

**Station to Station  
Times**

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# 15 Cambie/Downtown via Cambie Bridge

With the opening of the new Cambie bridge, it will become part of the route of the 15 Cambie/Downtown service.

From the terminus at 64th & Cambie, northbound **15 Downtown** buses will be routed via Cambie, Cambie Bridge, Smithe, Hamilton and Robson to the downtown terminus at Robson & Granville.

At Robson & Granville, destination signs will be changed to **15 Cambie** and buses will continue on Robson to Burrard, then along Burrard, Pender, Granville, Robson, Cambie, Nelson, Cambie Bridge and Cambie Street to the terminus at 64th & Cambie.

**17 Oak/Downtown** service will also be rerouted across the Cambie Bridge at a later date.

Watch the media for further information.

The old Cambie Bridge was officially closed by Mayor Michael Harcourt on Sunday, November 11, 1984.

*The bellringer got tangled in the rope and tolled himself off.*

## VOLUNTEERS

The Canadian Mental Health Association needs volunteers to assist in their Drop-in Centres. Please call the Volunteer Coordinator at 734-2344.

*An optimist is someone who has a turkey for Christmas and asks next day, "What's for lunch?"*

## ODDS & ENDS

□ The Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir Christmas Concert, with guest artist Leon Bibb, Dec. 20, 8 p.m., St. Andrew's Wesley United Church, Nelson & Burrard. Tickets \$7. Seniors/students \$5. VTC/CBO outlets. □ Christmas Lights Tour for Trout Lake seniors, Dec. 18 at 6:30 p.m. \$7.50 includes coffee and dessert. 876-9285. □ Vagabond Players presents the English pantomime 'Sing a song of sixpence', Wednesdays to Saturdays 'til Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday matinees 2 p.m. Reservations: 521-0412. □ Zimriya children's song festival, Dec. 8 p.m., Vancouver Jewish Centre, 950 West 41st Ave. Free adm. □ Free slideshow on China, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m., New Westminster Public Library. □ The North Vancouver Community Players present 'School for Clowns', a show with all the excitement of the circus. Dec. 6, 13 and 20 at 7 p.m. Dec. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Hendry Hall, 11th & Hendry. Children \$1. Adults \$2. Reservations: 987-0452 or 325-7060. □ The Swedish classical pianist Janos Solymos will perform mostly Swedish music Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m., Koerner Recital Hall, Vancouver Academy of Music, 1270 Chestnut St. Tickets \$10. Students/seniors \$8. □ Century Park Players presents Alice in Wonderland, Dec. 11-14, 7:30 p.m., James Cowan Theatre, 6450 Gilpin St., Burnaby. Matinees Dec. 12-14 at 1 p.m. Reservations: 291-7490. □ Vagabond Players audition for The Haunting of Hill House, Dec. 8 & 9, 7:30 p.m., Vagabond Playhouse, Queen's Park, New Westminster. 521-0412. □ Sir Kenneth Clark's 13-part Civilization series continues at the Burnaby Art Gallery's noon-hour film series, Dec. 10 and 17. Free Adm. □ West Vancouver Little Theatre presents 'Rumple Stiltskin', a Christmas musical for children of all ages. Adm. \$2. Dec. 7 at 2:30 p.m.: North Vancouver United Church. Dec. 8 & 15 at 1 & 3 p.m.: West Vancouver Recreation

Centre. Dec. 14 at 2:30 p.m.: St. David's United Church. □ Seniors Christmas Dinner & Dance at the West End Community Centre, 870 Denman. Turkey dinner, entertainment, dancing, door prizes. \$8. □ Hyack Festival Association's Christmas Caroling Down the Fraser River on the Malibu Princess, Dec. 7-14 at 7 p.m. Adult cruises Dec. 7, 13, & 14 at 9:30 p.m. Adults \$9, seniors/children \$5. Special cruise for the handicapped Dec. 12 at 2:30 p.m. \$7. Tickets at the ticket office, 204-6th St. or at Woodward's, New Westminster. □ The Burnaby Parks & Recreation Department presents 'Winter Magic', a free, family Christmas event with entertainment, carolling, storytelling and visits from Santa. Wesburn Centre, 4781 Parkwood Drive, Dec. 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. □ The Green Thumb Theatre for Young People and the Arts Club Theatre present Bubble Memory, Dec. 7 at noon and 1:30 p.m., Arts Club Theatre, Granville Island. Tickets: 687-1644. □ Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Greater Vancouver Annual Christmas Cake Sale. \$6 at your door, or call your local club. □ Argyle Secondary School presents 'Carousel' in the Argyle Auditorium, 1131 Frederick Road, North Vancouver, Dec. 6, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 8 at 2:00 p.m. Adults \$4.50. Seniors/children under 13: \$3.50. Reservations: Mrs. Rena Tough at 985-3181. □ After the party's over: a panel discussion on post-Expo Vancouver, 8 p.m., Dec. 12, Vancouver Museum Auditorium, 1100 Chestnut St. \$5 includes admission to the Museum's 'Lost Vancouver' exhibition. □ Edam Experimental Dance & Music Company presents a holiday children's show at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre, 1895 Venables, Dec. 11-15. Kids \$4. Adults \$5. Ask about group rates. Information & reservations: 254-9578. □ 9th Annual Christmas Craft Fair at Presentation House, Dec. 5-23 (except Dec. 9 & 16) from noon. Over 50 B.C. exhibitors in a beautiful gallery setting. Demonstration series. Homemade culinary treats. Adm. free. 333 Chesterfield Ave., North Vancouver. 986-1351. □ Christmas choral celebration with the Renaissance Singers, the chorus of Knox United Church and Brass West. Dec. 8, 3 p.m., Knox United Church, 41st & Balaclava. Tickets \$4. □ Christmas puppet shows at the Burquitlam Plaza Branch (10:30 a.m.) and Lincoln Branch (2:00 p.m.) of the Coquitlam Public Library, Dec. 14. □ The Vancouver Men's Chorus premieres A Christmas Garland, Dec. 6 & 7, 8 p.m., North Vancouver Centennial Theatre. Information: 669-SING. □ The North Shore Chorus presents a Christmas Concert at the North Vancouver City Library, 11:30 a.m., Dec. 14. □ Mediation service specializing in family and neighbourhood disputes. Westcoast Mediation Centre, a non-profit society, 4180 West 4th Ave. 228-9771, local 243. □ New Westminster Gentlemen of Fortune Barbershop Chorus presents 'It's Almost Christmas', Dec. 6 and 7 at 8 p.m., Vincent Massey Auditorium, 8th Ave. & 8th St., New Westminster. Tickets: 937-5102 or 938-3048. □ Paintings and Pastels by Larry Osland, Dec. 6-Jan. 6, Surrey Arts Centre, 13750-88th Ave. □ Women's Canadian Club of Vancouver Christmas Luncheon, 12:15 p.m., Dec. 11, Pacific Ballroom, Hotel Vancouver. Guest speaker: Mary Dawson, Warden, Kingston Penitentiary. Non-members \$20. Phone 681-2055. □ Roll Over Beethoven. Composing-with-computer workshops at the Arts, Sciences & Technology Centre, Dec. 7, 12:30, 2 and 4 p.m. Dec. 15, 1, 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. □ Heritage Christmas at Burnaby Village Museum 'til Dec. 23. Music, lunch with Father Christmas, children's entertainers and storytellers, wood stove baking etc. Complimentary admission Dec. 7. Information: 294-1233. □ 'The Goddess Within', a slide presentation at Women in Focus, 204-456 West Broadway, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. Adm. \$5. Unemployed \$4.

## COMING EVENTS

□ Dec. 7, Bazaar Tea/Bake Sale, Ren-frew United Church, 2855 East 1st Ave., Vanc., 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
□ Dec. 7, Christmas Tea & Sale, St. Augustine's Parish Centre, 8680 Hudson St. @ 71st Ave., Vanc., 2-4 p.m.  
□ Dec. 7, Christmas Lunch/Tea Sale, Wilson Heights United Church, 1634 East 41st Ave., Vanc., 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

□ Dec. 7, Yuletide Teas & Bazaar, Normanna Rest Home, 7996 12th Ave., Burnaby, 1-4 p.m.  
□ Dec. 8, Tinsel Tea & Bazaar, Canadian Daughters League, Albert & Ingleton Sts., Burnaby, 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
□ Dec. 12, Thrift Shop Sale, St. Stephen's Anglican Church, 9887 Cameron St., Burnaby, 1-3 & 7-9 p.m.  
□ Dec. 14, Christmas Bazaar, Salvation Army, 2309 West 10th Ave., Kit-silano, 1-3 p.m.

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# The Buzzer



## ALL SYSTEMS GO FOR SKYTRAIN LAUNCH DECEMBER 11th!

The construction phase of your new Rapid Transit system has now reached completion. Highly-trained personnel are ready to take their positions. All systems are go for an event that will launch a new age in transit service for British Columbia.

At 12 noon, December 11th, SkyTrain makes its grand entrance at New Westminster Station.

Plan to be there as we all celebrate the debut of this century's most exciting new transit innovation.

From noon to 9:30 p.m., you're invited to tour any of SkyTrain's 15 ultramodern stations, meet SkyTrain's friendly attendants and take a preview ride aboard SkyTrain.

Overall, the day promises to be a most elevating experience for one and all!

**"FREE PREVIEW DAYS" FOR  
SKYTRAIN LISTED INSIDE**

## SkyTrain for the Christmas Season – It's fast, it's friendly and it's free!

If you miss the launch of SkyTrain, December 11th, you've missed a great celebration – but you haven't missed the train.

SkyTrain will continue to demonstrate its innovative technology on special "Preview Days" during the month of December.

SkyTrain can make fast work of last minute Christmas shopping and holiday get-togethers with family and friends a lot easier.

And when you rise above the Christmas rush this season with SkyTrain, your ride is on us.

"Free Preview Days" Noon to 9:30 p.m.

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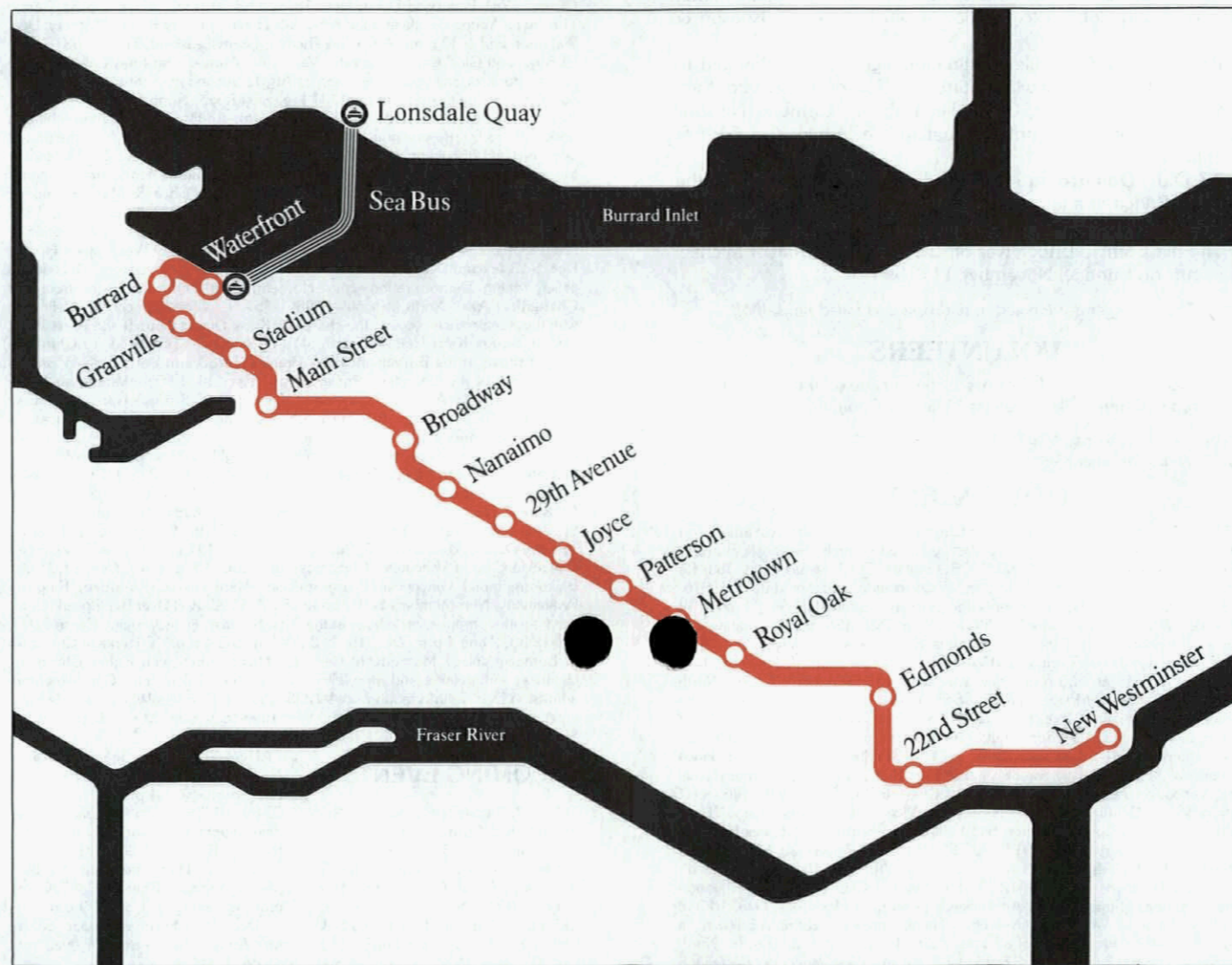
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Please note: A system as complex as SkyTrain naturally requires some fine-tuning. Some delays in schedules are possible during these special preview days.

As yet, there is no elevator access to Granville Station. Travellers who can't use the escalator are advised to exit SkyTrain at Burrard Station, where they can call Vancouver Taxi for shuttle transport to the Granville Station entrance.

## THE SKYTRAIN ROUTE

With 15 stations conveniently located along the way.



## January 3, 1986. SkyTrain soars into full commuter service.

You'll be glad to learn that when full commuter service begins, taking off by SkyTrain will cost no more than commuting by bus or SeaBus.

If you start your trip by bus or SeaBus, you'll pay your fare in the usual manner, then use your transfer to ride SkyTrain.

Paying fares will be even handier when you start your trip from a SkyTrain station. New self-serve ticket machines are conveniently located at each station entrance.

And to help facilitate the smooth introduction of SkyTrain to your total transit service, we'll be making changes to bus routes in two stages:

On January 3, 1986, only a few bus routes will be changed. For the most part, these changes will be the extension of existing bus routes to SkyTrain stations.

Then, once you've become familiar with SkyTrain, more extensive changes to bus routes will be made in March, 1986. At that time, "feeder" buses will connect you to any of the 15 SkyTrain stations. From there, you'll continue your trip via SkyTrain to downtown Vancouver or beyond, via SeaBus, to North Vancouver.

For a complete listing of bus route changes effective January 3, 1986, pick up "The SkyTrain Connection – Bus/Rapid Transit Integration Phase One," available at public libraries, city and municipal halls, information centres, community centres, chambers of commerce, The Visitors' Bureau, B.C. Transit Lost Property, B.C. Transit Administration Office, SeaBus terminals and Burrard Station Information Centre.