# All Aboard Stanley Park's Christmas Train



Daily from 2:00 to 9:00 pm, 'til January 5 (except Christmas Day) Stanley Park's Miniature Railway has been transformed into a fairyland of lights, music and fantastic holiday displays.] wonderful family excursion. Adults \$1.90. Children/senior

# **Employee Transportation Administrators** trained to lead their companies into the green, at new BC Transit seminar

Representatives of 20 regional employers recently attended the first two-day Employee Transportation Administration (ETA) training seminar offered by BC Transit, and graduated as certified ETAs.

As ETAs they will be responsible for introducing their employers and fellow employees to Transport Demand Management (TDM), a comprehensive system for reducing the number of single-occupant vehicles driven to work each day. Each will design a vehicle trip reduction plan for his/her company, using strategies such as ridesharing, trip elimination and variable work hours, and a wide range of incentives to encourage participation.

# **Bicycle Locker Pilot Program**

BC Transit has launched a pilot program with 40 lockers at three Park & Ride lots .... 20 at Scott Road Station, 10 at Ladner Exchange in South Delta and 10 at Sexsmith Park & Ride in Richmond. Lockers are now available on a trial basis until December 31, 1992. The fee is \$5 per month, plus \$20 deposit. Beginning April 1992, fixed three-month leases will be available for \$15 per term.

The Bicycling Association of B.C. is administering the program for BC Transit. They look after all rental agreements and correspondence. For further information, call 737-3034.

## Timetable Revisions

16 Renfrew Shuttle Bus. On New Year's Eve, regular weekday service will be provided. Please disregard the New Year's Eve comment above the "Owl Details" box in the #14 - #16 timetable dated December 16.

On page 4 of the Coquitlam, Port Moody, Port Coquitlam timetable, Bus/Bay assignments should read: Bay 2 - #151, #152, #158, #159. Bay 3 - #160, #190.

# West Vancouver "Blue Bus" Service Changes

effective Monday, December 30

#### 250 Horseshoe Bay/Vancouver

On Sundays and holidays, an additional trip will leave Horseshoe Bay at 7:35 pm.

# 257 Horseshoe Bay Express/Vancouver

The #257 will be re-established on 15th Street, between the Upper Levels Highway and Marine Drive.

An additional Mon-Fri trip will leave Horseshoe Bay at 6:15 am. The 4:21, 6:16 and 7:46 pm trips from Gleneagles Park-Ride to Vancouver will be discontinued because of low ridership.

Buses will operate from the Gleneagles Park-Ride prior to 8:55 am only. Buses will be routed via Nelson Avenue, except prior to 8:55 am when they will operate via Royal, Bay and Upper Levels Hwy.

Minor schedule adjustments in the PM peak period will improve connections at Park Royal and Horseshoe Bay.

#### ODDS & ENDS

Rock and Roll and Magic. Surrey Arts Centre presents John Kaplan's "Magic Bus," Dec 27-28, 2 pm. Tx 596-1515 • For the first time, both cut and live Christmas trees will be recycled by the Vancouver Park Board. Live trees in good condition will be replanted throughout the park system. Recycling depots at Sunset Beach Parking Lot, Kitsilano Beach Parking Lot and John Hendry Park Parking Lot will operate Jan 4 & 5 from 9 am to 4 pm. Trees must be free of ornaments. Info: 681-1141, local 2857 • A solo exhibition of Alan Storey's sculptures is being presented 'til Jan 26 at Surrey Art Gallery. He is probably best known for his large sculpture "Pendulum" in the Hong Kong Bank of Canada in downtown Vancouver. The artist will give a slide talk Jan 19 at 2 pm o Vancouver Little Theatre is organizing a Paupers of the Arts New Year's Ball. \$12 per person/\$20 per couple includes culinary delights. Complimentary soft drinks for designated drivers. Info: 876-4165 o Exercise, relaxation and friends for middle-aged and older people at Dunbar Heights United Church Gym, 3525 West 24th. First class free. Info: Shirley at 669-5288 Surrey Arts Centre presents Auld Lang Syne-New Years Celebration Family Style. Join us for fun, food and Artsrageous entertainment. Tx and info: 596-1515 O North Vancouver Community Arts Council presents abstract oils on canvas by Pamela Holl Hunt at North Vancouver Provincial Courthouse, Calligraphy by the North Shore Lettering Artists at the District of North Vancouver Municipal Hall Lobby, and the realistic renderings of wildlife and landscapes by Lenora Cairns at the North Vancouver City Hall Gallery. Al-Anon/Alateen can iends of problem drinkers. Meetings every day. Info: 688-1716 b Metro e is celebrating Christmas this year with Puss In Boots, an original English omime, Dec 20, 21, 23, 27, 28, 30, Jan 2-4 at 7 pm. Dec 21, 22, 26, 28, 29, Jan 1 and 4 at 2 pm. Tx 266-7191, Tues-5 at from 1 to 4:30 pm. On performance evenings from 5:30 to 7 pm. Group prices available. • The Wildlife Rescue Association of B.C., active in the rehabilitation of orphaned, injured and pollution-damaged wildlife for release back to the wild since 1979, welcomes new members, volunteer workers and donors. The Foster Fur and Feathers Program allows you to sponsor individual cases in their care. Info: 526-7275 O Dal Grauer Memorial Lectures presents renowned pianist Leon Fleisher in public masterclasses, featuring performances by outstanding students from the School of Music and a commentary by the artist, by outstanding students from the School of Music Recital Hall. Masterclasses: Jan 11,7-10 pm; and a recital at the UBC School of Music Recital Hall. Masterclasses: Jan 11,7-10 pm; Jan 12, 2-5 pm. Recital: Jan 12, 5:30-6:15 pm. Tx: 822-5574

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# New Year's Transit Service Free

5:00 pm December 31 to 8:00 am January 1

DETAILS INSIDE

# New Year's Service Free

Before going out this New Year's Eve, plan to have a safe journey home from the festivities. And when making your plans give transit serious consideration.

Beginning at 5:00 pm on December 31st - right through to 8:00 am on January 1st, you can ride free on any Bus in the Vancouver Regional Transit System, including West Vancouver Blue Buses. On SkyTrain and SeaBus you can ride free from 5:00 pm, December 31st to the end of service.

If your New Year's Eve plans include the celebrations at First Night, Canada Place or the Trade & Convention Centre, there's even more reason to leave your car at home, avoid the frustrations of traffic congestion and take transit. Bus, SeaBus and SkyTrain services will operate throughout the Lower Mainland to take you right to the heart of the festivities.

# Regular week-night bus services Extended SkyTrain and SeaBus services

Please note that while buses will provide regular week-night service (see timetable for frequency and last buses) with limited extensions and additional trips, SkyTrain and SeaBus services will be extended until after 3:30 am. If travelling late, it would therefore be advisable to arrange in advance for transportation from SkyTrain or SeaBus to your home.

Trains will operate every five minutes from Waterfront Station until 3:45 am and every five minutes from Scott Road Station until 3:15 am.

SeaBuses will operate every 15 minutes from Waterfront Station until 2:17 am, then every 30 minutes until 3:47 am. From Lonsdale Quay, SeaBuses will operate every 15 minutes until 2:03 am, then every 30 minutes until 3:32 am.

# Sunday Service Dec 25 & 26 and Jan 1

Vancouver Regional Transit Services will operate on a Sunday schedule on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Additional trains will, however, be provided for Boxing Day shoppers. From Scott Road Station, the first and last SkyTrains will leave at

8:15 am and 11:45 pm

From Waterfront Station: the first and last SkyTrains will leave at 8:50 am and 12:15 am.

From North Vancouver: the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:32 am and 11:02 pm.

From Vancouver: the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:46 am and 11:16 pm.

# Make it a New Year's Eve to remember



Join the tens of thousands of people who enjoy an alcohol-free entertainment extravaganza each New Year's Eve.

Between the hours of 7:00 pm and midnight, shopping centroffice towers, theatres and malls throughout the downtown core, including Chinatown, will be transformed into stages and entertainment centres showcasing the rich cultural diversity of our performing arts.

The area will come alive with the sound of music; rhythm and blues to classical, symphonic, folk and reggae....with the sights of dance and the creative performing arts....with theatre, storytelling and clowns. Something for everyone....from senior citizens to children of every cultural background.

# Grande Finale change

Vancouver's Grand Finale will change in location and format. Gone is the mass Finale in front of the Art Gallery in favour of a selection of mini Finales in the Orpheum, Sinclair Centre, Law Courts and Chinese Cultural Centre.

#### **Burnaby and Richmond celebrations**

FIRST NIGHT will be celebrated at Lougheed Mall, Richmond Centre and Richmond Gateway Theatre. A full evening of entertainment and midnight Finales will be offered.

## **Button up**

Your \$7.00 (including GST) FIRST NIGHT button serves as your passport to any FIRST NIGHT performance on a first come, first served basis. All indoor programs are ticketed to enable more people to see more shows.

Additional tickets are required for the Orpheum and Queen Elizabeth Theatres and may only be purchased by FIRST NIGHT button holders at either the respective box offices or at VanCity Credit Unions, in advance, or exclusively at the box offices on New Year's Eve. Orpheum \$6. QET \$5.

#### Buttons are available at:

Lougheed Mall, Pacific Centre, Purdy's Chocolates, Richmond A Mall, Richmond Centre, Richmond Savings Credit Union, Shoppers Drug Mart, Super Valu Stores, The Real Canadian Superstore, Vancouver City Savings Credit Union, Vancouver Sun (Promotions Desk)

A FIRST NIGHT 1992 Official Program, featuring a guide to venues, maps, performance schedules and artist information will be provided with your button.

Anyone who thinks Christmas doesn't last all year doesn't have a charge account



# BC Transit Early Rider Special for Vancouver's Indoor Super Fair

BC Place Stadium, Dec 20-31 (Closed Dec 24 & 25)

Over 50 attractions include Carnival Rides, Games, Food Arcade and a Holiday Trade Show. Rides include the Yo-Yo, Music Fest, Ranger, Screamer, Zipper, Scrambler and Sidewinder plus a giant Kiddieland. Zed 95.3 video dance party nightly.

# \$5.00-OFF COUPON

Vancouver Indoor Super Fair, BC Place Stadium December 20-31 (closed Dec 24 & 25)

Present this coupon at the box office between noon and 2:00 pm, on any day of the Fair, and pay only \$10 for imittance and for unlimited carnival rides aroughout the day. (Without coupon pay \$15)

One coupon per person - not valid with any other discount.

Depending where you live in the Lower Mainland you can take a bus to downtown Vancouver and walk to the Stadium, or take a local bus or SeaBus to SkyTrain and get off at Stadium Station.

> One third of the food you eat is enough to keep you alive, the other two-thirds keeps your doctor alive.