

The #51 Granville Island will not operate on December 25, 26 and January 1.

The Market will not be open on these days. On December 24 and 31 the Market will close early, at 4:00 pm, and the last bus will leave Granville Island at 4:20 pm.

Sunday service on December 25 & 26

On December 25 and 26 all transit services will operate on Sunday schedules.

From King George Station the first and last trains will leave at 7:08 am and 11:38 pm.

From Waterfront Station the first train will leave on December 25 at 7:50 am (7:20 on Boxing Day) and the last train will leave at 12:15 am.

From Lonsdale Quay the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:02 am and 11:02 pm.

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

On Boxing Day, SkyTrain will provide additional daytime service to meet the needs of shoppers.

Timetable revisions

In the Surrey, North Delta, White Rock and Langley timetable booklet, please note the following late revisions: the **#310 Scottsdale/Vancouver** and the **#311 Vancouver/Scottsdale** will not be providing wheelchair accessible service.

Volunteers are needed to help make First Night a success. Download an application from the website at www.firstnightvancouver.com

Give a Gift of Golf: includes reduced and free greens fees at 281 B.C. and Alberta courses for the year 2000, for only \$32.10, inc. GST. All proceeds to the B.C. Lung Association. Call Ticketmaster at 280-4444 (no service charge)

COMING EVENTS

The Kate Hammett-Vaughan Quintet performs Friday, Dec 17, 9 pm at Western Front, 303 East 8th Ave ✓ Surrey Art Gallery presents *Digital Identity*, 'til Jan 31. Digital technology has become a creative tool for many of today's artists. Artworks include interactive sculptures, installations, CD Rom, net.art and digital video. ✓ Toy Soldiers Invade Vancouver Museum. See over 1,000 intricately crafted military figures in an exhibit that is now open ✓ East Van Farmers Market Society one day *Winter Market*, Dec 12, 11 am-5 pm at Heritage Hall, 15th & Main. Quality gift items from craftspeople, bakers and BCV farmers. Adm: \$2. Under 12 free ✓ Ballet British Columbia's *danceAlive!* presents the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the VSO in its new production of *Nutcracker*, Dec 10, 11, 12 at the Q.E. Theatre. Tx at TM ✓ The Vancouver Cantata Singers presents *A Fin de Siecle Christmas* to celebrate the holiday season. The concert takes the audience through each decade of the 20th Century. 3 pm and 8 pm, Dec 18 at First Baptist Church, 969 Burrard, and 3 pm, Dec 19 at West Vancouver United Church, 2062 Esquimalt. Tx \$18/\$14 at TM ✓ Surrey Arts Centre presents UHF, the brilliant trio of Shari Ulrich, Bill Henderson and Roy Forbes, Dec 17, 8 pm. \$20 ✓ Alpha YaYa Diallo & Los Mocosos perform at the Commodore Ballroom, Dec 11 at 10 pm. ✓ Lower Mainland Royal Canadian Air Cadet bands are putting on a Christmas Band Concert, Dec 18, 7:30 pm at the Centennial Theatre, 23rd and Lonsdale. Adm \$8/\$5. Tx available at the theatre, 984-4484. All proceeds go to charity ✓ Holiday events at Edmonds Community Centre for Older Adults, 7282 Kingsway, Burnaby, include a Traditional Holiday Luncheon, noon-2 pm on Dec 16. Non-members \$11.88, and a New Year's Brunch, buffet style, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm, Jan 1. Non-members \$13. Pre-register for these events at 525-1671 ✓ The Russian Community Centre presents a Russian Festival Concert - an afternoon of Russian traditional folk music and dance, Dec 12 at 3 pm. Tx \$8/\$7 at the door. Under 12 free. Info: 732-9223 ✓ Valdy and Gary Fjellgaard return to Surrey Arts Centre to perform their unique blend of country, folk and blues with a little bit of Christmas woven in. Dec 18, 8 pm. \$22

FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET THERE BY TRANSIT

TIMETABLES are available free of charge at public libraries, city and municipal halls, community centres, and the TransLink Lost Property Office at Stadium Station. *TRANSIT ROUTE MAP AND GUIDES* offer a map, a listing of all routes, and fare information. They're available at Safeways, 7-Elevens, SkyTrain station convenience shops and most FareDealers for a small charge. *THE YELLOW PAGES* show a route map, a list of bus routes and fare information. *INFORMATION BY TELEPHONE:* 521-0400. West Vancouver 985-7777, or call Talking Yellow Pages: 299-9000, #2233. *ON THE WEB:* www.translink.bc.ca

Dec 11 - Hungarian Reformed Church Bazaar. Foods/Xmas Bake Sale fundraiser at the Hungarian Cultural Society, 728 Kingsway, 10 am to 5 pm.
Dec 12 - Winter Market, offering quality gift items from local craftspeople, bakers and BC farmers. 11-5. Heritage Hall, 15th & Main. Adm \$2, under 12 free.

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First Night Vancouver 2000

Further Service Improvements COMMENCING December 13

Good advice, then and now

Reproduced from the Buzzer, May 6, 1925



We nominate for highest place
A clever girl whose name is Grace;
She never lingers 'round the door,
But moves ahead - makes room for more.

Further service improvements, effective December 13

These are in addition to the winter service changes listed in the November 26 Buzzer

#410 bus bay assignments

Bay #7 on westbound Park Road, nearside #3 Road, will become a regular #410 stop for both boarding and alighting. Schedules will remain the same and #410 22nd Street Station trips will start from Bay #7.

South Surrey Park & Ride assignments

Bay #1 #351 Vancouver

#354 Vancouver (AM peak only)

Bay #2 #394 King George Station (AM peak only)

Bay #3 #351 Crescent Beach

#354 White Rock South (PM peak only)

#394 White Rock Centre (PM peak only)

Customers are advised to watch for yellow Rider Alerts describing the service changes resulting from the relocation of the Park & Ride

Earlier #502 Brookwood trip

One weekday trip will leave Surrey Central Station at 6:42 am, arriving at Langley Centre at 7:15 am.

#709 schedule change

for Garibaldi High School students

On weekdays the #709 will leave Dewdney Trunk Road & 256 St at 3:07 pm, arriving at the school at approximately 3:10 pm. This will provide sufficient time for students to get to the bus stop.

Accessible stops for wheelchair passengers



When heading for an unfamiliar destination, please be aware that not all stops on an accessible route are wheelchair accessible. Accessible stops are specially constructed to meet the requirements of the bus lift or ramp. It's a good idea to check ahead by calling Transit Information at 521-0400.

Please keep moving when leaving a bus by the rear exit

You see, in order to help the driver keep on schedule, the doors are automatically set to close three to four seconds after the last person steps off the coach. They aren't, as some people may think, controlled by the driver.

Of course, if you hesitate a little too long the doors aren't likely to hurt you; they have a sensitive edge that signals them to reopen when something substantial like an arm or a leg gets in the way. But it's possible that something soft and thin like the straps of a handbag or a scarf could be held. We appreciate your cooperation.

Plan to see in the New Year at the family oriented

First Night Vancouver 2000

6:00 pm to 12:30 am at Science World and outdoor enclosed site.

Program highlights include a torch lit parade of stilt walkers and choreographed fire displays by the Public Dreams Society, a giant drum-off of 150 African djembes, a musical theatre review, music by Blackthorn Irish Celtic Sounds, a Pied Pumkin midnight spectacular - Vancouver's famed folk band with Shari Ulrich, Joe Mock and Rick Scott, magicians, jugglers and street entertainers, And, of course, fireworks and other surprises at the midnight countdown. For detailed information, see the First Night Vancouver 2000 website at www.firstnightvancouver.com, or call *Talking Yellow Pages* at 299-9000, code 1999.

The tab for travel on this special night will be picked up by TransLink. From 5:00 pm, December 31 until the last bus, SeaBus and SkyTrain, you will be able to travel anywhere on the system free of charge (regular fares will start again at 5:00 am, January 1).

Admission buttons are \$10 plus GST; children 3 and under are free. Buttons must be purchased in advance and worn to the event; they will not be available at the door. Buttons are available at: Science World, MAC's Convenience Stores, Chapters bookstores, Canadian Tire, and TicketMaster (service charges apply).

Win Grizzlies tickets



Tell us why you think it's a good idea to take transit to Grizzlies games and which NBA teams will be visiting Vancouver in January. The first correct entry drawn on December 21 will win a pair of tickets to the December 27 Philadelphia game. Please send your answer (one per person please) along with your name, address and phone number to: Grizzlies Contest, TransLink Marketing, #1700-4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 4N2. Fax 453-4633. e-mail: si_locke@translink.bc.ca

WIN First Night Buttons & T-shirts



Please tell us which transit service(s) you would use to reach the First Night celebrations at Science World. The first 5 answers drawn on December 22 will each win four First Night Buttons and two T-shirts. Please send your answer (one per person please) along with your name, address and phone number to: First Night Contest, TransLink Marketing, #1700-4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 4N2. Fax 453-4633. e-mail: si_locke@translink.bc.ca