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On behalf of TransLink  
we would like to welcome  
you back on board

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New Stations**

Richmond transit takes  
a big step forward

## COMING EVENTS

The Kitsilano Showboat, a Vancouver summer tradition, stages performances every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:30 pm until late August (weather permitting). ✓ Highlights of this year's Abbotsford Airshow, August 10, 11 and 12, include the precision flying of the Canadian Forces Snowbirds, flights by an F-15 Eagle, RAF Nimrod, P-51 Mustang and a huge variety of current and historic aircraft. ✓ Ballet British Columbia's 2001-2002 season, beginning September 27, will include performances of *Romeo and Juliet* by the National Ballet of Canada, *Giselle* by the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, *Petrushka* and *Orpheus* and *Eurydice* by Ballet British Columbia, *Lady of the Camellias* by Alberta Ballet and *The Nutcracker* by Ballet British Columbia/Alberta Ballet. Ask about the exclusive benefits offered to subscribers. Phone Ticketmaster at 604-280-3311 or visit them in person at 1304 Hornby. ✓ Following on the heels of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Grease*, Aquarian Productions has brought together another talented and energetic cast of young adults for a production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* with a fresh hip look. Due to the redevelopment of the Surrey Arts Centre, the show will be staged at the Cloverdale Arena which will be suitably transformed. The show will open Aug 8, 8 pm, with a special ticket price of \$13/person. Additional performances Aug 9-12, 15-19 and 22-25 are \$17.35 for adults and \$15.35 for seniors/students. Matinees on Aug 12, 19 and 25 at 2 pm. Tx at 604-501-5566 ✓ Deluxe Flea Market, Croatian Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Drive, Sept 9, 10 am - 3 pm, Sept 9. Bargains galore on deluxe 20th Century junkie. Home decor, books, antiques, kitchenware, toys, china, crystal & glass, records, jewellery, linens, paintings, dolls, etc. 150 tables. Adm \$2. Children 12 and under free. Free parking. ✓ Singles/Couples are invited to learn to square dance at Confederation Hall, 4585 Albert St, Burnaby. Classes commence September 9, 6:30 pm. Partner not required. 604-434-3940. 604-522-4270 or 604-253-5467 ✓ Sign your kids, aged 7-10, up for games, adventure, mummies and more at the Vancouver Museum's Archaeology Camp. August 13-17. Call 604-734-7368 for details ✓ The John Oliver Historical Society is compiling a history of the high school and South Vancouver. The project will ultimately result in a book. If you have something memorable to share, call Ken MacLeod at 534-4015 or contact him at Ken\_MacLeod@sd34.bc.ca ✓ Circus of Dreams brings the magic of the big top - clowns, dancers and fire shows to Maclean Park (near Strathcona Community Centre) Sat, Aug 25. The event, organized by the Public Dreams Society, runs from 5 to 8 pm and begins with a parade. Volunteers are needed to help with this event. Call 879-8611 ✓ Clothing, housewares, books and refreshments available at St. Peter's Parish Rummage Sale, Aug 24 & 25, 9:00 am to noon at Dontenwill Hall. 336 Agnes Street, New Westminster.

*Have you ever wondered if there is intelligent life  
out there in space or are they just like us.*

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## SkyTrain Weekend Service Alert SkyTrain Maintenance and Construction Work



Starting on Saturday August 11th and running until further notice, SkyTrain service on many weekends will be affected by a series of maintenance projects, both to upgrade the existing system and to prepare for integration with the Millennium Line extension. The work must be done outside the normal shutdown periods and will take place both Saturdays and Sundays - daytime only - from the beginning of the service day until approximately 5 PM. During the work, it will be necessary to close portions of one guideway, requiring the remaining track (sections of up to 5 kms in length) to be shared alternately by eastbound and westbound trains. Under these conditions, trains will run less frequently - every 10 to 20 minutes instead of the usual 4 to 5 minutes and may be held at some station adjacent to the work area.

On some days, the work could add up to 15 - 20 minutes to your trip (combined waiting time on the platform and on the train), although on average it should be considerably less.

Every effort will be made to minimize delays and inconvenience. You can help in this regard by;

**Checking out the plans for upcoming weekends** in future issues of The Buzzer, on notices posted in

SkyTrain stations, on the platform destination signs, at TransLink Customer Information at 953-3333 or on the web at [www.translink.bc.ca](http://www.translink.bc.ca)

**Allowing an extra 15 - 20 minutes for your trip.**

**Watching for directions in the station** and on the platform destination signs and listening to announcements. Extra staff will be on hand; please follow their directions and guidance.

**At some stations, trains may be running in both directions or platooned** (two trains running close together through the work area), so watch for their approach from both ends of the station, and stand back to allow passengers traveling in the opposite direction to get off or on.

**Train length** - in order to provide additional capacity, some trains will be extended to 6-car trains. If the platform is crowded, you may find more space at the ends of the train.

### August 11, 12

Work will be taking place between Joyce, Twenty Ninth and Nanaimo stations and all eastbound and westbound trains will use the same side of the platform for loading.

### August 18, 19 and 25, 26

Work will be taking place between Patterson and Metrotown stations and all eastbound and westbound trains will use the same side of the platform for loading.

### September 1, 2

Due to the Molson Indy, there will be no track maintenance work during the Holiday weekend.

*Thank you for your patience and cooperation. We  
will do our best to minimize any inconvenience.*

Did you know that Vancouver hired  
its first two women police officers on July 9, 1912.

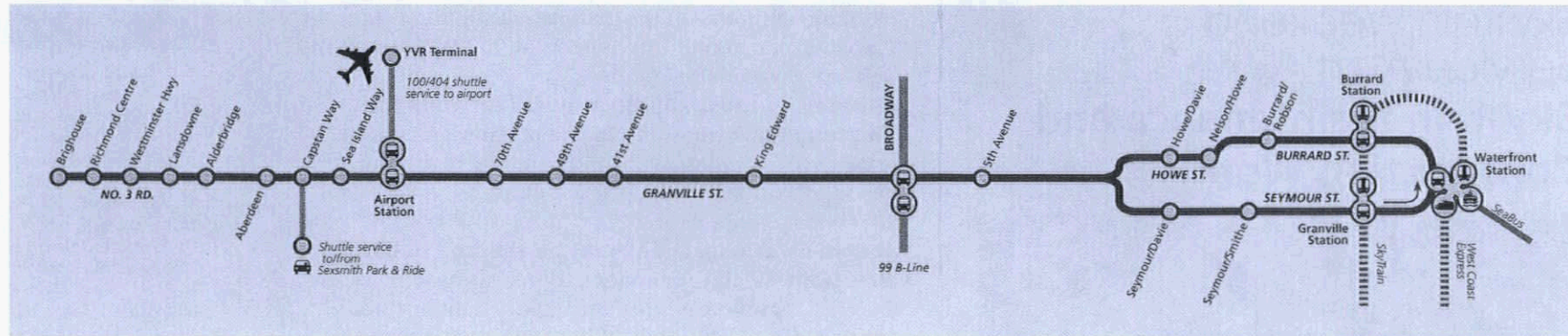
If you're going to be the toast of the town,  
you're going to need a lot of bread.



# Introducing the Richmond 98 B-Line...

B-Line service worked wonderfully in Vancouver along Broadway. Now we're bringing it to Richmond. With 40 percent fewer stops along the route and the ability of operators to extend green lights, your downtown-to-downtown trip between Richmond and Vancouver will be faster and more comfortable than ever. You'll wait just minutes for a bus during peak periods and you'll wait in large, well-lit bus shelters with digital displays that show the estimated time the next bus will arrive. Service will also be more frequent for midday, evening and weekend riders. With low bus floors and greater capacity, boarding will be easier and faster for people in wheelchairs and all buses will be bike-rack equipped.

Service will be provided from early morning to late at night. The first 98 B-Line bus will arrive at Airport Station before 5:30 am and downtown Vancouver at 6:00 am.



## Local Richmond service also upgraded

### #401 One Road/Vancouver

The #401 is being combined with the #408 to provide service every 15 minutes during peak periods and every 30 minutes mid-day. Renamed the **#401 One Road/Garden City**, it will provide crosstown service between Steveston Village, Ironwood and Riverport (evenings only). The new #401 will make frequent connections with the 98 B-Line and will eliminate the need for transfers between the #401 and #408 at Richmond City Centre.

Vancouver-bound passengers can also take the new #491 during peak periods or the 98 B-Line during off-peak times.

### #402 Two Road/Vancouver

The #402 Two Road/Bridgeport will provide direct cross-town service between Steveston Village/Two Road and Bridgeport/Knight Street via Richmond Centre, with frequent connections to the 98 B-Line.

### #403 Three Road/Vancouver

Renamed the **#403 Three Road/Richmond Centre**, this bus will no longer continue into downtown Vancouver, but will operate every 12 minutes during peak periods and every 20 minutes midday, with frequent connections to the 98 B-Line at Richmond City Centre.

### #404 Ladner Exch/Richmond Centre/Airport

We've changed some of the route of the #404. It now originates in Ladner and follows the 98 B-Line along #3 Road

between Granville and Airport Station, where it connects with the 98, 100, 425, 491 and 496 at Airport Station.

### #405 Five Road/Richmond Exchange

The #405 will combine with the #421 to form the **#405 Five Road/Cambie**, a route that will connect South-East and North East Richmond and provide frequent connections with the #98 B-Line. Service between Richmond City Centre and Horseshoe Way/Steveston Hwy will be limited to daytime hours.

### #406 Railway/Vancouver

The #406 has been renamed the **#410 Railway/22nd Street Station** and will provide direct service from Steveston Village to the 22nd Street SkyTrain station via the Railway Corridor, Richmond City Centre, Cambie Corridor. Hwy 91 (Westminster Hwy on some peak-period trips). Vancouver-bound customers can take the #496 during peak periods and/or the 98-B-Line from Richmond Centre. (See #410).

### #407 Gilbert/Richmond Centre

The #407 will become strictly local and no longer go to Vancouver. It will offer connections with the #98 B-Line and key locations within Richmond City Centre. With buses running every 15 minutes during peak periods, service will improve for customers travelling to Richmond City Centre, Richmond General Hospital and the Workers'

Compensation Board. Vancouver-bound customers should transfer to the #98 B-Line at Richmond City Centre, or to #491 or #496 at Gilbert/Westminster Hwy.

### #408 Garden City/Richmond Exchange

This route has been replaced by the **#401 One Road/Garden City**. To travel between Horseshoe Way/Five Road and Richmond Centre, take the #401.

### #410 22nd Street Station/Richmond Exch.

Renamed the **#410 Railway/22nd Street Station**, this route will provide direct service from Steveston Village to 22nd Street Skytrain Station via Railway, Richmond City Centre, Cambie and Hwy 91 (Westminster Hwy on some peak period trips) Vancouver bound customers can take the #496 during peak periods and/or the 98 B-Line from Richmond City Centre.

### #411 Steveston/Vancouver

Renamed the **#491 One Road/Burrard Station**, this route will feature articulated buses that will provide two-way, peak-period service, and full pick-up and drop-off at all 98 B-Line stations in Vancouver.

### #420 Bridgeport/Richmond Exchange

Now called the **#402 Two Road/Bridgeport**, this route will travel between Knight Street, Bridgeport and Richmond City Centre, No 2 Road and Steveston. (See 402)

### #421 Cambie Road/Richmond Exchange

Now called the **#405 Five Road/Cambie**. This route will

travel between Knight Street, Bridgeport and Richmond City Centre, No.2 Road and Steveston.

### #425 Airport South/Richmond Exchange

This route, renamed the **#425 Airport South/Airport Station**, will now provide direct service between Airport Station and the Airport South Terminal, operating every 30 minutes during the morning and evening peak periods. At Airport Station, frequent connections can be made with the 98 B-Line, #100, #404, #491, and #496.

### #480 UBC/Richmond

Since its introduction in September 2000, this service has been greatly improved to operate every 30 minutes, between 6 am and 6 pm, weekdays only. There is no weekend service.

### #490 Steveston/Vancouver

Now called the **#490 Steveston/Burrard Station**, this route will provide pick-up and drop-off service at all #98 B-Line stations in Vancouver. Stops have been moved slightly to allow better connections with 98 B-Line stations.

### #491 Steveston/Vancouver

Now called the **#491 One Road/Burrard Station** (formerly the #411), this improved route will feature articulated buses that will provide two-way, peak-period service, and pick-up and drop-off at #98 B-Line stations in Vancouver.

### #496 Railway/Burrard Station - new route

This new route will provide peak-period service from Steveston Village/Railway to downtown Vancouver via Airport Station, with pick-up and drop-off at all #98 B-Line stations in Vancouver. Some articulated buses will operate on the route.