

Celebrate Canada Day

At Canada Place there will be a day-long festival with entertainment and excitement for the whole family from 10:30 am to 7:00 pm.

Details at:

canadadayatcanadaplace.com

Adjacent to Waterfront Station, it's easy to reach by SkyTrain, SeaBus, the 98 B-Line and many other bus routes from across the city and the region.

Extra SkyTrain service during the day and SeaBus operates every 15 minutes from 11 am to 6 pm.

Sunday/holiday schedules on Canada Day

SkyTrain, SeaBus and bus services will operate on regular Sunday/Holiday hours:

SkyTrain:

- from Waterfront to King George 7:50 am to 12:15 am
- from King George 7:08 am to 11:38 pm (later trips only as far as New Westminster until 12:28 am)
- from Lougheed to Commercial Dr 7:15 am to 12:09 am
- from Lougheed to Waterfront via Columbia 7:13 am to 11:27 pm (later trips only as far as New Westminster until 12:23 am)
- from Commercial Dr. to Lougheed 7:36 am to 12:30 am

SeaBus

- from Lonsdale Quay 8:02 am to 11:02 pm
- from Waterfront 8:16 am to 11:16 pm

Information is on line anytime at
www.translink.bc.ca
or by phone: 604-953-3333

*There are three kinds of people:
those who can count and those who can't*

COMING EVENTS

You are invited to an open house at the Old Hastings Mill Store Museum, July 10, 11 am to 4 pm. Learn about the city's history and meet the Royal Engineers in the oldest building in Vancouver. Craft and white elephant tables. Info: 604-739-4495. ✓ Join the Rotary Club of Vancouver 2004 Bike-A-Thon (20th Anniversary) for the Hearing Impaired. This 20 mile/120 km ride from Vancouver to Harrison Hot Springs will support the the Rotary Hearing Centre at UBC & The Rotary Hearing & Clinical Centre at St. Paul's Hospital. Web Site: www.rotaryvancouver.org Food & Beverages supplied at 20 km checkpoints. Bike-A-Thon T-shirt. ✓ East Vancouver Greek Community annual summer festival, July 1 to 11, noon to 11 pm at 4641 Boundary Road. Adm free. Greek food, entertainment, traditional dancing, live Bouzouki music nightly. www.greeksummerfest.com. ✓ Open House at the Old Hastings Mill Store Museum, 1575 Alma at Point Grey Road in Vancouver, Saturday, 11 am to 4 pm, July 10. Visit the oldest building in Vancouver, learn about the city's history, meet the Royal Engineers. Craft table, white elephant table. More info: 604-739-4495. ✓ Does public speaking stress you out? Positive Thinkers Toastmasters can help you master the art with opportunities to practice, learn and have fun. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 pm, B C Hydro Building, 333 Dunsmuir St. Call Debbie at 604-876-3542. ✓ The H.R. MacMillan Space Centre hosts The Canadian National Marsville Program, a cross-curricular program where students use a Mars theme to work on subject areas in science, math, technology, communications, humanities and social sciences. ✓ Rediscover three of Vancouver's best attractions with the Explore Pass. - The H.R. MacMillan Space Centre, The Vancouver Museum and the Vancouver Maritime Museum. All are located in Vanier Park, minutes from the downtown core. Valid 'til October 31, 2004, the Explore Pass gives you one admission to each of the three attractions at one low price. The Explore Pass can be purchased from Tourism Vancouver, the Vancouver Trolley and any of the Vanier Park attractions for \$25 (adult) and \$20 (youths & seniors) incl. GST. ✓ Sponsored by Global Television. The Quest For Origins will be shown weekends and holidays at 1 pm 'til June 30 at the H.R. MacMillan Space Centre. Entry to the Star Theatre is included with a general admission ticket to the Space Centre. ✓ A two-year Recreation Diploma Program at Langara College will allow graduates to work in leading recreation programs, manage recreation facilities, organize special events, run a small recreation business, contract services or related activities. Four stream options include: Leadership, Facilities, Service Delivery and Enterprise. Recruitment for September now underway. Info: Vince Kreiser, Phone (604) 323-5276, or www.langara.bc.ca/hprec. ✓ Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada, Vancouver Chapter. Info: call 604-513-8202 or go to www.ccfcc.ca. ✓ Enjoy Golden Spike Days, Vancouver's premier Family Festival, July 1-4 at Rocky Point Park in Port Moody. Entry by donation. Music includes everything from Trooper to multi-cultural bands to children's music. Events: BMX stunt rides, lacross and the Inlet Run as well as Can Can dancers. Lots of food. ✓ Annual Plant Sale & Open House, Strathcona & Cottonwood Community Gardens, Sunday, July 11, 10 am to 2 pm, Prior & Hawks, Vancouver. Free adm. workshops, master gardeners, live bluegrass music by Greenhorn, free food, fun. ✓ TransLink schedules are now on line anytime. ✓ 21st Century Flea Market, 175 tables of home decor, books, antiques, toys & dolls, pottery, glass, prints, lamps, etc. July 18, 10-3 pm, Croatian Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Drive at 16th. Adm \$2.

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BUZZER

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Celebrate Canada Day July 1st

There are Canada Day events around the region. Come out and celebrate the nation's 137th birthday on Thursday, July 1st. See page 5

Ticket machines throughout the SkyTrain Expo Line now accept debit and credit cards

SkyTrain Saturday morning track maintenance concludes July 17th

The special track maintenance project that has been ongoing since April will conclude over the next few weeks, affecting service on Saturdays from the first train until approximately 10 am, as follows:

• **Sat, June 26: work in the Main Street area.**

Expo Line frequencies of 10 to 16 minutes with some delays at Stadium and Nanaimo Stations. Trains will operate in both directions from the eastbound platforms at Main Street and Broadway. Millennium Line passengers change at Broadway/Commercial or at Columbia.

• **Sat, July 3: work in the Patterson area.** Expo Line frequencies of 9 to 13 minutes with some delays Joyce and Royal Oak or Edmonds stations. Trains will operate in both directions from the eastbound platforms at Patterson and Metrotown. Millennium Line passengers change at Broadway/Commercial or at Columbia.

• **Sat, July 10 and 17: work in the downtown tunnel.** Expo and Millennium trains will terminate at Stadium. All passengers must change to a special shuttle train: Stadium-Granville-Burrard-Waterfront every 12 minutes. While most of our track maintenance is conducted overnight, during non-service hours, some projects such as this require extended time. We make every effort to minimize the inconvenience but realize that such work does cause some delay to normal schedules. Thank you for your patience. During the past 18.5 years, SkyTrain has carried more than 690 million passengers with nearly 2 million trains running over the Expo Line tracks in each direction. Our ongoing preventive maintenance program is designed to keep you travelling reliably into the future.

Construction of a transit exchange is planned at UBC

but until a new permanent UBC Loop is completed, a facility directly adjacent to the War Memorial Gym will be used as the temporary terminus for trolley routes.

To allow trolley overhead construction at the War Memorial Loop during the summer, for approximately four to six weeks, trolley routes **#4 Powell/UBC** and **#17 Downtown/UBC** will terminate at Blanca Loop. Service between Blanca Loop; and UBC Loop will be provided by a diesel shuttle. Rider Alerts will be issued in advance of this change, advising riders of the actual effective date (sometime in early July).

NightBus service expanded to six nights a week

The four NightBus routes that currently operate Friday and Saturday nights will operate six nights a week starting June 28.

NightBus operates from downtown Vancouver on four routes: N6 serving the West End; N17 serving West Broadway and West 10th Avenue to UBC, N19 serving Kingsway to Burnaby and New Westminster, with an extension to Scott Road Station in Surrey; and N35 serving Hastings to SFU. Service will run Monday to Thursday nights until until 3:10 am. Friday and Saturday nights until 4:10 am, beginning June 28 This NightBus service improvement is part of a staged re-introduction of the former OWL service, which was cancelled in 2001 due to a funding shortfall.

When waiting at a stop that serves a number of routes, please indicate to an approaching driver if you don't wish to board. This kind of cooperation will help him/her provide better service for other passengers on the route.

Due to road construction, TransLink will be vacating the Walnut Grove Park & Ride site on 88th Ave at 202 Street.

Effective June 28, a temporary Park & Ride facility will be available at Sportsplex, 91A Ave & 202 Street (north of the Colossus theatre complex).

The upper deck of the parking structure will serve as the Park & Ride facility for 175 to 200 vehicles. Some lower level parking will be provided to help meet demand and for handicapped parking. Signage will direct motorists to the facility.

TransLink would like to secure a permanent site as soon as possible, but please note that our operation could be at the temporary location for an extended period. This change will require the rerouting of the #501, #509, #590 and C64 routes; all of which will serve new bus stops on 91A Avenue.

More summer service to #19 Stanley Park/Metrotown

Additional service for Stanley Park users during the summer tourist season will provide more frequent service on Saturday nights between 6 and 10 pm and all days Sundays and holidays. Downtown Stanley Parks trips will alternate with Metrotown Stanley Park trips to provide service every 10 minutes between Stanley Park and downtown. This service change is in effect from June 28 to September 6.

Students: Looking for a summer job? We can help! Employment officers at Human Resource Centres of Canada for Students (HRCC-S), also known as "Hire-A-Student" offices, across the lower mainland can provide tips on job search skills for youth aged 15 to 29. Our job boards are constantly updated with new full-time and part-time employment opportunities!