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Community Services e-News



World Leisure Day | Tuesday, April 16

How will you participate in this day?

On April 16, 2021, World Leisure Day became an annual global initiative from the World Leisure Organization aiming to reinforce leisure as a social right and its importance in daily life, as well as to expand and promote leisure globally while recognizing that barriers still exist for many worldwide. This year's theme, "Embracing Digital Horizons in Leisure," invites Richmond residents to explore and embrace the transformative power of leisure in the digital era.

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Celebrate Earth Week | April 20 to 28

30+ activities, workshops and educational sessions

Join the City of Richmond's annual celebration of Earth Week by participating in some of the free and low-cost programs offered throughout the city. Get ink-spired with a natural dye workshop at Terra Nova Rural Park; make the moment last with digital photography classes at the Richmond Nature Park; upgrade your gardening skills with expert demonstrations at Paulik Park; and learn about the critters living in your neighbourhood at a presentation at Hamilton Community Centre. Events are offered by the City and in partnership with the Lower Mainland Green Team, Urban Bounty, the Richmond Garden Club, the Sharing Farm Society and multiple other community partners.

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National Volunteer Week | April 14 to 20

Thank you to all Richmond volunteers!

In honour of National Volunteer Week, we are celebrating the valuable contributions of community volunteers who have helped make Richmond such a great place to work and play. In 2023, city volunteers dedicated over 55,000+ hours to various events, programs and services across Richmond. We want to thank each volunteer for dedicating their time, expertise and enthusiasm to building a connected and vibrant community. From library services to sports and recreation programs, the arts, neighbourhood crime prevention programs and special events, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved and to give back. To learn more about volunteering, visit icanhelp.richmond.ca.



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Child Care Month

Supporting Richmond's Families

Register for this Symposium that celebrates Child Care Month for Early Childhood Educators, Child Care Providers and Parents.

The Symposium will be a series of presentations and workshops on the topic of supporting Richmond's families. The event takes place at Richmond City Hall on Saturday May 4, 8:15am to 12:30pm. This event counts towards 3.5 hours of professional development. Registration required.

REGISTER

The Arts Insider

Free Lulu Speaker Series

Discover this annual spring series of talks about Art in the City and its importance to establishing connections between citizens and their communities.

From urban planning and place-making to art as community development and urban revitalization, the relationship between art and our urban environment is a rich and lively topic for guest speakers and audiences alike.

Alanna Quock - Remembering Home, Finding Ground: Reflections on creating a practice of healing through emergent process, direct engagement and embodied experience

This presentation is an invitation to consider your own experiences and how they relate to the broader predicament that the human world faces today. The complexity of our global challenge is mirrored in that of The Indian Act's legacy in Canada. In addressing that legacy, Alanna begins with the essential question of what it means to dwell: in a place and in a body. In relationship with other bodies, she will share the stories of her ancestors, her journey and the projects and places she has been invited into along the way. Learn what it means to practice our knowing in a good way and become the ancestors our future is calling for.

[FREE Thu, Apr 25, 7:00pm, City Hall \(registration required\)](#)

Charo Neville - Expanding the White Cube: The Kamloops Art Gallery's outdoor video projection biennale

Presented every two years, Luminocity is a week-long, new media, art exhibition that showcases video projects by local, national and international artists in unexpected public spaces throughout the downtown core of Kamloops. As an off-site Kamloops Art Gallery initiative, the projects embraces new creative concepts and modes of expression in the media arts field and brings recent video projects that have previously shown primarily in gallery settings to the outdoors.

[FREE Thu, May 30, 7:00pm, City Hall \(registration required\)](#)



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Terra Nova Historical Assets Program Plan

Share your opinion

The City of Richmond is seeking feedback to help with the development of a program plan for the historical assets of Terra Nova Rural Park. The heritage buildings and historic landscapes found in the park have been preserved but have not yet been fully activated and interpreted. One of the key goals is to understand how people relate to the park's historical assets and what kind of programs could be offered in the future to create the most benefit for visitors.

There are three opportunities to provide input:

- Attend a public open house on Tuesday, April 9 from 3:00 to 7:00pm at Thompson Community Centre (5151 Granville Avenue),
- Attend a public open house on Saturday, April 13 from 11:00am to 3:00pm at Terra Nova Rural Park (in the Red Barn at 2631 Westminster Highway),
- Complete a 10-minute online survey from Wednesday, April 3 to Tuesday, April 23 at [LetsTalkRichmond.ca](https://lets.talkrichmond.ca).

Thank you for your feedback.

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Learn at the Library

What's on this month at the Brighthouse Branch?

Human Library

During this event, readers will see a variety of available "human" book titles and will be able to select one to "borrow" for a 30-minute reading slot. Readers and Books will then have a one-on-one conversation where books will introduce themselves and readers will then have the opportunity to ask questions.

This is a drop-in event with participants invited to borrow books on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the event until "last call" at 3:30pm. This event is appropriate for teens, adults or senior audiences

Sun, Apr 28, 1:00 to 4:00pm, Brighthouse location

Spring Film Club

The library's Film Club offers a diverse range of film genres to suit a wide variety of interests. Screenings are free and showcase new, popular or beloved films in the comfort of the library.

The age suitability depends on the film being screened – each film has an age recommendation listed in the event listing.

Every Tue, 6:00pm, and on select weekends at the Brighthouse location

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Save the Date

Job and Volunteer Fair

Sat, April 6, 11:00am
Thompson Community Centre

Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival

Sun, Apr 7, 11:00am-4:00pm
Garry Point Park

Walk Richmond

Sat, Apr 6, 10:00am
Wed, Apr 10, 10:00am
Sat, Apr 20, 10:00am
Wed, Apr 24, 10:00am
Various locations

Sensory Friendly Swim

Sun, Apr 28, 8:00-9:30am
Minoru Centre for Active Living

Community Services Connectors Program

Sundays, 2:00-4:00pm
Ironwood Library

Puppy Preschool

Sat, April 20-May 11
10:00-11:00am
Cambie Community Centre

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