



Celebrate the holiday spirit by enjoying tea and seasonal goodies at London Heritage Farm



Richmond Calendar

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General Purposes Committee

Monday, December 7, 2009
Anderson Room, City Hall
4:00 p.m.


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Planning Committee

Tuesday, December 8, 2009
Anderson Room, City Hall
4:00 p.m.

Winter/Spring 2010 courses

Register today

 Richmond's community centres, aquatic and arenas facilities, culture and heritage sites, parks, trails and playing fields offer everything from weight training to weaving, hockey to hip hop, singing to swimming, fencing to fitness and computers to cooking. Why not try something new in 2010?

Pick up your copy of the Winter/Spring 2010 Parks, Recreation and Culture Guide from a community facility, Safeway or Save-on Foods or view it online at www.richmond.ca/guide.

3 easy ways to register:

- Online at www.richmond.ca/register
- Through the registration call centre from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at 604-276-4300
- In person, at community facilities, during business hours

The City of Richmond has a new program registration system, which is now in place for Winter/Spring 2010 registration.

Please note, touch-tone registration is no longer available.

For more information, call 604-276-4300 or visit www.richmond.ca/register.

Christmas at London Heritage Farm

Celebrate the holidays



Come in from the cold and warm up with hot tea and festive entertainment at London Heritage Farm, located at 6511 Dyke Road.

The tea room, gift shop and farm house have extended hours for the holiday season and are open Saturday and Sunday from noon - 5:00 p.m.

Come to a Christmas Tea and savour the exclusive London Lady tea with home-baked scones and seasonal goodies. Live music will be performed in the Tea Room on Sunday, December 6, 13 and 20.

Teas can be enjoyed for a nominal fee. Reservations are recommended. The tea room can also accommodate group bookings and private events.

Visit the Christmas gift shop and purchase delightful presents such as locally-made soaps, London Lady tea, London Farm honey, gift baskets, stocking-stuffers, hand-crafted items and lots more.

Please note, London Heritage Farm will be closed December 21, 2009 to February 6, 2010.

For more information, call 604-271-5220 or visit www.londonheritagefarm.ca.

Fall environmental sustainability workshops

Learn for free



This series of workshops will show you ways to create a more sustainable community. The workshops are part of the City's Pesticide Risk Reduction Policy, sustainability and greenhouse gas reduction initiatives. The workshops are free, however, registration is required.

There are two ways to register:

- Online at www.richmond.ca/register
- Through the registration call centre from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at 604-276-4300

If you register but cannot attend, please contact the registration call centre at 604-276-4300 to make your space available for someone else.

Green living – Christmas celebration

Saturday, November 28
10:00 a.m. – noon
RN-48022, Free, 16+ years
Richmond City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road

For more information, call 604-233-3318.

Social Financial Hardship Assistance Fund

Monetary aid for community organizations



At its meeting on October 26, 2009, Richmond City Council approved establishment of a Social Financial Hardship Assistance Fund.

The Fund provides temporary loans to community organizations that are experiencing delays in receiving grants from other funding bodies during the current economic downturn. The Fund will be in place for a three year period (2010-2012), with a maximum total of \$500,000 available for allocation during that time.

Key components of the Fund:

- Non-profit organizations eligible for consideration under the City Grant Program are also eligible to apply for a loan under the Social Financial Hardship Assistance Fund
- Loans must be repaid within six months of issuance
- The maximum amount loaned to qualified applicants will be \$25,000 over the Fund's three year duration
- Decisions regarding Fund allocations will be made by City Council

Additional information on the Fund can be obtained from the

Council report, available on the City's website at www.richmond.ca (City Hall > City Council > Agendas & Minutes > Council Meetings > 2009 Agendas & Minutes > October 26, 2009 – Minutes > Social Financial Hardship Assistance Fund).

For more information, please contact the Business & Financial Services Department at 604-276-4218.

Musical Expressions

Featuring Sandy Scofield



The Musical Expressions concert series, hosted by Richmond recording artist Cherelle Jardine, takes you on a musical journey with local and national artists.

The next artist in this series is Sandy Scofield, who is a multi-award winning musician and composer based in Vancouver with four releases under her belt. This Métis (Saulteaux and Cree descent)/ French performer hails from four generations of fiddlers, singers and musicians on both sides of her family and has been singing for most of her life.

Date: Saturday, December 5

Time: Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Show starts at 8:00 p.m.

Location: Richmond Cultural Centre, 7700 Minoru Gate

Cost: \$10.00

Tickets are available at the Cultural Centre front-desk (604-247-8300) during the hours of Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For more information, please visit www.cherellejardine.com.

