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April 5

Parks, Recreation & Culture e-Newsletter



World Leisure Day | Wednesday, April 16

How will you participate?

World Leisure Day is 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, "Leisure for a Better Society," invites Richmond residents to explore the limitless possibilities leisure provides. Join us on Wednesday, April 16 to explore the transformative role of leisure in building a more inclusive, equitable and harmonious society.

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The Lulu Series - Bringing The Breath Below to Life: Howie Tsui's Public Art at Capstan Canada Line Station

Thursday, April 10, 6:00pm | Richmond Cultural Centre, Performance Hall, 7700 Minoru Gate

The Breath Below, by Vancouver-based contemporary artist Howie Tsui, is a landmark public artwork at the new Capstan Canada Line Station in Richmond. This first-of-its-kind commission for TransLink, led by Klara Manhal, TransLink Senior Planner of Public Art, is the largest and most immersive work in the transit authority's public art collection to-date. In this talk, Tsui and Manhal discuss the five-year journey of the project, from its conceptual origins to its realization. [Register](#) for a free ticket.

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Preschool and Out of School Care 2025/2026 Registration

Get ready - registrations start early April!

Community centre preschool programs are designed to develop the whole child intellectually, socially, physically, emotionally and cognitively. A positive and encouraging learning environment is provided where children of various cultures and backgrounds share and learn about each other.

Out of School Care programs are staffed by energetic and creative instructors who support children in a fun and nurturing environment.

Registrations are online with in-person support at all facilities.

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New Exhibition at the Art Gallery

Restless by Nature: Mary Sui Yee Wong, 1990s to the present

Richmond Art Gallery presents *Restless by Nature*, the first retrospective of multidisciplinary artist Mary Sui Yee Wong's work, on view from April 12 to June 8 at the [Richmond Art Gallery, 180-7700 Minoru Gate](#). Wong's artistic practice over three decades spans sculpture, installation, photography, video and costume. Works in this exhibition have been specially updated for this new context—reflecting the site-specificity that Wong is known for.

A newly commissioned performance-based work, *Gold Mountain*, draws from the rising levels of anti-Asian violence seen in recent years, and will use an act of destruction to explore systemic racism as driven by the neoliberal economy. Born in Hong Kong to Cantonese opera master Toa Wong and raised in Vancouver, the artist frequently addresses themes of personal memory, familial legacy and cultural history in her work. Based in Montréal, Wong is a professor in Concordia University's Fine Arts department, an advocate for the Chinese Canadian community and a celebrated mentor of younger generations of Asian diaspora artists. A collaboration between the Gallery, City of Richmond Public Art and Capture Photography Festival, her work *TREASURE II*, which honours her Chinese cultural and artistic heritage, will be featured at [Lansdowne Station](#) until March 1, 2026.

This exhibition is part of the 2025 Capture Photography Festival Selected Exhibition Program.

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Calling all Creative Richmond Youth

Official Community Plan Youth art cover contest

This is a chance for youth to showcase their artistic talents and help shape the future of the city with artwork featured on the cover of (or inside) Richmond's Official Community Plan—an important strategy that will guide how the city grows in the coming years.

Submit artwork by Sunday, June 1. For more information on how to participate, visit LetsTalkRichmond.ca/OCPYouthArtContest.

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Engaging Seniors in Age Friendly Planning: Blundell Neighbourhood

Would you like to participate in a meaningful way in the Blundell neighbourhood?

The City of Richmond is seeking 12 to 15 Blundell neighbourhood residents aged 55+ years to help identify ways to make this area more age-friendly. Join us in exploring factors that support healthy, safe and equitable aging at the neighbourhood level. No special expertise required. Space is limited. Refreshments provided.

Deadline to apply: Tue, April 22, 5:00pm

For more information, call 604-276-4175 or email seniorsplanning@richmond.ca. Paper applications are available at [City Centre Community Centre](#).

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Richmond's 2025 Writer-In-Residence Opening Event

Saturday, April 5, 1:00-2:00pm

The City of Richmond, in partnership with Richmond Public Library, is proud to welcome Taslim Jaffer as the 2025 Writer-in-Residence. Taslim is a Surrey-based writer, editor and instructor with expertise in creative nonfiction, exploring themes of identity, culture and belonging.

Taslim will offer free workshops, discussions and events aimed at Richmond's aspiring writers during her residency from April through mid-June.

The residency will launch with an Opening Event on Saturday, April 5, from 1:00 to 2:00 pm at the [Richmond Cultural Centre](#). This public event is an opportunity to meet Taslim and learn more about the engaging programming planned for the residency.



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Save the Date

Understanding Parkinson's and Local Resources Workshop - 55+

Sat, Apr 7, 11:00am-12:00pm
Senior Centre - Minoru Centre for
Active Living

Cinevation

Wed, Apr 16, 1:00-8:30pm
Richmond Cultural Centre

Human Library

Sun, Apr 13, 1:00-4:00pm
Brighthouse Library

Recreation and Sport Job and Volunteer Fair

Sat, Apr 5, 10:00-11:30am
South Arm Community Centre
Sat, Apr 5, 3:00-4:30pm
Thompson Community Centre

Richmond Cherry Blossom

Sun, Apr 6, 11:00am-4:00pm
Garry Point Park

Puppy Preschool

Sat, Apr 19 – May 10
Cambie Community Centre

**Watch for the next Parks, Recreation and Culture e-Newsletter
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