

Community Services e-News



Dozens of free activities for all ages, abilities and interests

Community Connects Week – September 6 – 11

Thanks to a grant from Vancouver Coastal Health, dozens of free events are happening at your local community centres during the week of September 6. These fun activities include dancing, painting, yoga and cycling to name a few. There's even an end-of-summer tea party! The goal is to bring residents together to foster social interaction and to try the many programs and services available at Richmond's community centres.

Meet some new friends, learn some new skills and help to create a more connected community. Check out the full list of activities at www.richmond.ca/connects and pick one or more that appeal to you. Registration is required for most of these free events.

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Move. Play. Connect! Minoru Centre for Active Living Public Open House

Friday, September 9, 8:30am – 4:00pm (Seniors)
Saturday, September 10, 9:00am – 4:00pm (Aquatics & Fitness)

You're invited to two action-packed days of activities in Richmond's state-of-the-art community facility, home to an Aquatic and Fitness Centre, Seniors Centre and Event Centre!

Activities will include free Try-It activities for all ages, prizes, facility

tours, family-friendly entertainment, cake and on-site food trucks!

Try-It activities are free and a great way to try something new. Space is limited, so register today to hold your spot! Activities include Tai Chi, ballroom and tap dancing and Ukulele sessions for ages 55+ years; Fitness Try-It activities of Hatha Yoga, Pilates, Dance Fit and Cycle Fit for ages 13+ years and Aquatic activities that range from Aquafit to swim lessons to Junior Lifeguard Club. Check out <https://bit.ly/MinoruCentreOpenHouse> for a full list of free Try-It classes and activities.

*Minoru Centre for Active Living will also be open for regular drop-in programs and activities; regular admission rates apply.

REGISTER TODAY

Richmond Culture Days

September 23 – October 16

During the 14th annual Culture Days, Canadians from coast to coast to coast will celebrate local creativity everywhere and every way. You're invited to join in with dozens of free, artist-led opportunities in Richmond, starting with the opening weekend event at the Richmond Cultural Centre on September 24 and 25 from 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

Explore behind-the-scenes activities, hands-on workshops, exhibitions and performances that showcase Richmond's arts and culture scene. Some highlights include:

- Launch of the 2022 Writer-in-Residence program featuring Spoken Word Poet, Lindi Nolte
- *The Arts Live Here* exhibition opening at Richmond Museum
- *The Other Hunger* exhibition opening at the Richmond Art Gallery
- Portrait opportunities with the Richmond Photo Club
- Theatre games with Gateway Theatre
- Performances by the Richmond Orchestra & Chorus
- Hands-on demos by the Chinese Artist Association of Richmond and Richmond Potters Club, among many others
- Performance and workshop with the Richmond Improv Theatre Society

Richmond is consistently recognized as being among Culture Days' Top 10 most engaged cities in the country, and there are lots of free creative activities to discover across the city through October 16. For inspiration and more information, visit www.richmond.ca/culturedays.

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Don't Miss Out!

Register now for great fall programs

There are still some spaces available in a number of popular programs including Kick Boxing (youth), Piano Private Lessons (55+), Multisport (children and preteens) and Yoga (adults).



Registration is easy:

- www.richmond.ca/register
- 604-276-4300, Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5:00pm
- In-person at any community facility

Participation plays an important part in human development, personal growth and the promotion of health and well-being for individuals.

EXPLORE

Beautifying Richmond, Showcasing Local Artists

Annual Street Banner Contest deadline September 15

A call for entries of visual art that represents Richmond is underway. Submissions from the following categories will be considered:

- Photography
- Digital art
- Collage
- Painting and illustration
- Printmaking

For more information, check out www.richmond.ca/banners.

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Seeking Youth for the Booth

Join Richmond's 2022 Election Team

The City of Richmond is looking for energetic and upbeat individuals, ages 16 to 18, to work the 2022 General Local and School Election as "Youth at the Booth". This paid position provides a great opportunity for young people to serve the community and gain valuable experience.

Youth at the Booth support election staff in providing a positive voting experience to the public. Responsibilities include greeting and directing electors, handing out "I voted" stickers and more. For further information, visit

www.richmond.ca/electionservices/employment/youth.

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September Library Programs

Check out all the great, free events planned at the Brighthouse Library this fall!

Board and Video Games Night – Brighthouse, Friday, September 9, 6:00 – 8:30pm

This family-friendly evening features board games and retro style

video games. Players of all ages are welcome.

Summer Reading Finale – Brighthouse, Sunday, September 11,
1:30 – 3:30pm

Children of all ages are invited to celebrate the achievements of the Summer Reading Club participants. Family-friendly activities will follow the medal presentation.

Learning Together Fall 2022 – Brighthouse, Wednesdays, starts
September 14, 9:30 – 11:00am

Build a love of reading and build literacy. This nine-week family literacy program helps parents and children prepare for kindergarten together.

Book Club: The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry – Brighthouse,
Wednesday, September 21, 11:00am – 12:00pm

Join other adult readers for a one-hour, in-person conversation facilitated by a librarian. Register and pick-up a copy of the book at Brighthouse.



Save The Date

Hamilton Produce Market

Saturdays, 10:00am – 1:00pm
Hamilton Community Centre

Walk Richmond

Sep 10, 14, 24, 28
Various

Dementia Friends Workshop

Sep 15
Minoru Centre for Active Living

Online - Name That Tune

Sep 19, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 19

Swap Meet

Sep 24
South Arm Community Centre

Steveston Outdoor Pool

Fall Hours
Sep 6-30, 12:00 – 2:00pm
Length Swim & Leisure Pool for families

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