





City of Richmond February

# **Community Services e-News**





# Things to do in Richmond on BC Family Day Weekend Play, be active and have fun!

Get ready for a fun-filled Family Day long weekend (February 17-20). There are many opportunities for families to be active and enjoy time together in Richmond. With over 60 free and low cost events and programs planned, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Events and programs include: Taiko Drumming, Public Skating and swimming, the Children's Arts Festival and much more.

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# **Spring Program Registration Starts February 14**

### Arts, fitness, music, sports and more

Spring is right around the corner and so is registration for hundreds of educational, social and fun programs and activities. Mark these important dates in your calendar to make sure you ready to register for Spring programs (March 27-June 30):

- Tue, Feb 14 8:00pm Aquatic programs (online only)
- Tue, Feb 14 9:00pm All programs (online only)
- Wed, Feb 15 8:30am All programs (online, by phone and in-person)

Programs and activities are available for all ages and skill levels.





# **Get creative at the Richmond Children's Arts Festival**

#### Imagination, creativity and family fun!

For the first time since 2020, the popular Richmond Children's Arts Festival is returning in full form with a program of free, fun and hands-on activities.

Kids 12 years old and younger can enjoy a wide range of performances and hands-on workshops led by professional artists and performers.

Yo-yo with Canadian Champion Harrison Lee, immerse yourself in the traditional art of cedar bark weaving with Rita Kompst, rock it out with the cool beatboxing, classical and jazz sounds of Infinitus String Trio, discover the world of printmaking with acclaimed artist Edward Fu-Chen Juan, get your groove on with Canadian National Dance Champion and Bollywood Star Canada Karima Essa, bang it out with Uzume Taiko and much more.

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# Seniors Happenings this Month So many great options to choose from!

If you are 55+ years and looking for an exciting day trip, we've got you covered. Choose from several exciting trips including: the Bill Reid Gallery and Lunch, Langley Aviation Adventure or Lombardo's Restaurant.

If learning or perfecting something more artistic is what you're looking for, then try out one of these great programs: Clay Modelling Workshop, Flower Arranging, Acrylic Painting and more.

Sign up now!

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# Wear Pink on Pink Shirt Day Wednesday, February 22

The Richmond community is encouraged to wear pink to recognize Pink Shirt Day, as a way to support the anti-bullying efforts taking place in Richmond and across the nation. Originally developed as an anti-bullying initiative, Pink Shirt Day places emphasis on being kind, supporting one another and celebrating differences, in order for all citizens to feel safe in their communities.

Specially planned activities will take place at community centres, schools and libraries across Richmond.

Show your support and wear pink on February 22!

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# **Spring Break Youth Camps**

## 2 weeks of fun for youth

Register now and keep your teenagers engaged during the school break (March 13-24), with active and educational activities designed for fun, fitness and education! Choose from registered programs like Adventure Camp, Badminton Camp or Recreation Leadership Camp.

#### Registration is easy:

• Online: www.richmond.ca/register

• Call: 604-276-4300, Mon - Fri, 8:30am - 5:00pm

· In-person: at any community facility

Sign up now!

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# 2023 Richmond Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program

## Apply now!

The Neighbourhood Celebration Grant offers up to \$2,000 in funding support for groups of neighbours, not-for-profit organizations, school-based groups, and local artists to create events that connect residents of diverse backgrounds and build community in Richmond.

Applications are now being accepted until February 26, 2023. Visit www.richmond.ca/celebrationgrant for more information about the application guidelines and the online application form.

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### Save the Date

### **HOME: A community conversation on homelessness**

Richmond Cultural Centre Various dates

### **Walk Richmond**

Feb 11, 15, 25 Various locations

#### **New exhibit at the Steveston Tram**

Feb 18 – 20 Steveston Tram

#### **Craft Afternoon Workshop**

Feb 23, 1:30 – 2:30pm Steveston Community Centre



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