



EVENTS

Drop-In Chess

On Fridays, drop into the library for a casual game of chess. Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome, and chess sets are provided. Improve your game and meet new friends and neighbours.

Please note: this program does not include formal instruction.

Date: Fridays, August 7 - 28

Time: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Location: Lynn Valley Library, 1277 Lynn Valley Rd, North Vancouver

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Oval Community Day

Celebrate the incredible Richmond community with a day of sport, fitness and fun! This is a free community event that celebrates Richmond's dedication to sport, fitness and wellness; filled with family-friendly activities, sport demonstrations, tournaments, and more!

Date: August 9

Time: 10:00am - 3:00pm

Location: Richmond Olympic Oval, 6111 River Rd. Richmond

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Free Outdoor Concert

NEW DATE, NEW LINEUP - Please note: our original July 26 show is cancelled due to rain. We're excited to bring you a brand new lineup on August 9 instead! Hammer Pick and Saw, The Soda Crackers, & Fairweather Blues Band

Date: August 9

Time: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Location: MacLean Park, 710 Keefer St, Vancouver

[Learn More](#)



Summer Pop-Up Concerts with Music on Main 2026

Gather your friends, family, or come solo and dive into an evening of joyous music in the park!

Date: August 11 - 13

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Mount Pleasant Park, West 16th Ave, Ontario St, Vancouver

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disability without
poverty



You're invited to the virtual town hall
on August 18!

Inform. Encourage. Activate.

Please note that our monthly Town Halls centre lived experiences of disability poverty and strive to be a safe space to learn, share, find support, and build community locally and nationally.

Date: August 18

Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Location: Virtual

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12TH ANNUAL
VINES
ART FESTIVAL

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AUGUST 5 - 15TH



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1PM AUGUST 8, 2026
LUMBERMAN'S ARCH, STANLEY PARK





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Days of Significance for August 2026

Below are some of the days of significance for this month, expect some events related to these in the coming editions of the E-Newsletter.

- August 3 (Yesterday) — B.C Day
- August 9 — International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- August 17 - 21 — Public Service Pride Week
- August 25 — Mawlid al-Nabī / Eid-Maulad-un-Nabi



Artist registration for the 2026 INCLUSION Art Show is officially OPEN!

Are you an artist with diverse abilities? We invite you to be part of BC's largest inclusive art show — returning again as a two-day celebration of creativity and community. Spots are limited and fill up fast — registration is first come, first served, so we encourage you to sign up early!

Date: October 27 & 28, 2026

Time: Oct 27: 10:30 AM – 7:30 PM / Oct 28: 10:30 AM – 6:30 PM

Location: Roundhouse Community Centre

[Register Now](#)



JOIN THE PMT BEAT

Whether you have a teen who wants to rock out on stage, are an adult eager to pick up a new instrument, or want to hang out in the community, there is something fresh lined up for everyone.

New Group Programs & Classes

- Youth Rockband Sessions
- Adult Guitar Classes in New West

[Learn More](#)



Untapped Awards

Nominations are open until August 7th.

Nominate Individuals & Businesses for the Untapped Awards Today!

Do you know someone whose passion for workplace inclusion and accessibility is making a meaningful impact in your organization or community?

The Untapped Workplace Inclusion Awards are back to celebrate individuals and organizations that are championing disability inclusion and accessibility in the workplace. When you nominate an organization or individual, you shine a spotlight on their work and inspire others to take action.

Nominations are now open. Submit yours by **5:00 pm on August 7th!**

[Learn More](#)



NEWS

TransLink says it can no longer provide HandyDART service for passenger after 28 years

Amy Judd and Angela Jung on Global News share a story about how “TransLink says it can no longer accommodate a HandyDART passenger, despite him having used the service for almost 30 years. Tom Cretain has spinal muscular atrophy and isn’t able to sit up. For decades he has relied on HandyDART to drive him to his destinations on an accessible bus or taxi. However, two months ago, the 71-year-old said he was told TransLink couldn’t send him a ride. Then there was a meeting in which his wheelchair was measured. Cretain says this confirmed everything fits into the taxi. But then he received a letter saying, ‘Neither HandyDART buses nor contracted wheelchair accessible taxis are able to safely and reliably accommodate your present equipment.’ Cretain said that begged the question: ‘Were you transporting me unsafely for 28 years?’”

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