## Burnside Gorge Neighbourhood Gems

The Neighbourhood Engagement Steering Committee hosted two community mapping events in Cecelia Ravine in September and October of

#### **About the Committee:**

The Burnside Gorge Neighbourhood Engagement Steering Committee's work was initiated by the Burnside Gorge Community Association.

The Steering Committee was formed as a result of a series of community engagement events and surveys in 2021 and 2022 that sought community input for community project ideas that would foster mutual care, inclusion, safety, health and belonging in the Burnside Gorge neighbourhood.

The Steering Committee gathered around the following goal:

"To build relationships through dialogue between all residents of the neighbourhood, housed and unhoused, developing mutual care and understanding of what a safe and healthy community is and how all residents can contribute to that objective."

Community members – those who live, work or play in the neighbourhood – were invited to identify neighbourhood assets, look at opportunities,

and help create a picture of what is like to live in Burnside Gorge. The events incorporated a demonstration of placemaking elements including live music, food trucks, temporary seating and a community message board.

The community 'gems' marked on this map reflect the stories gathered at the community mapping events and are just a sample of the many wonderful sites and events to experience in the Burnside Gorge and the surrounding area. Community members are encouraged to reflect



on their own stories of the neighbourhood and add to the evolving community map online

https://burnsidegorge.ca/burnside-gorge-neighbourhood-gems/.

Share what you love about your neighbourhood with others and consider participating in future community mapping activities!

### Join the BGCA Team

#### CURRENT OPENINGS:

- Family Services Worker (permenant)
- Camp Inclusion Worker (Summer Camp)
- Supported Childcare Workers (part-time)

Full job descriptions and application details can be found at:

http://www.burnsidegorge.ca/opportunities/employment

#### **About Us**

We are a group of (com)passionate, enthusiastic, hardworking people who also know how to have fun. Our teams are deeply committed to serving the children, youth, families and seniors in our community as best as they can and helping and caring for each other as well.



#### **BGCA COMMUNITY MEETING:**

#### MONDAY JUNE19, 2023 6:30PM

This will be an opportunity for discussion on the direction of our neighbourhood development.

The June 19th community meeting will have a presentation for a proposal a 3106 Washington Avenue. See the Land Use update for details. There will also be a presentation and discussion on the City of Victoria's placemaking and traffic calming initiative. Following is a link

https://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/streets-transportation.html

#### The Zoom link is:

 $\underline{https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/84531158484?pwd=\underline{MDdzUUVLaXNjb2tIaENKcjBvQzg2QTo9}}$ 

There will be a developer's presentation on a proposal for 3106 Washington Avenue. A proposal for 3106 Washington Street consisting of 4 townhouses located behind the existing heritage home that is to remain.

#### **Arbutus Park**

Victoria City Council has approved funding for upgrading parks in Victoria. There where many ideas put forward at the January BGCA community meeting and the BGCA is looking for volunteers to join a committee that will be focused on keeping Arbutus Park in the forefront of the Parks department agenda. Anyone interested in participating please contact Avery Stetski at astetski@telus.net

# New 30 km/h Speed Limits Coming to Burnside Gorge this July

Submitted by City of Victoria

To help everyone get where they're going safely, all local streets in the City of Victoria are changing from 50 km/h to 30 km/h. Starting in July, new 30 km/h signs will be installed on all local streets in the Burnside Gorge neighbourhood. Once the signs are in place, the reduced speed limit is in effect. The change will not affect major roads like Bay Street and Burnside Road East. For more information:

https://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/streets-transportation.html



The centre will be closed on Monday, July 3 for Canada Day.



Have a happy long weekend!



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#### To Advertise

Establish yourself as a community supporter with an ad in your community newsletter.

The deadline to purchase ad space is the 15th of each month prior to the month of publication. Please contact us for current rates.

#### **Contributions**

The BGCN welcomes submissions. Submissions are subject to editing as required for clarity and brevity. Please note that submission does not guarantee publication. Contact us for submission guidelines and deadlines.

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#### About us

Founded in 1991 in response to community need, the Burnside Gorge Community Association provides a continuum of programs and services that strengthen the lives of children, youth and families in Greater Victoria.

Programming includes: a range of childcare programs for ages 3.5 to 11; community and school based youth and family services; housing and asset development supports for youth and families; community recreation and special events for all ages; and a variety of community development initiatives.

As a non-profit organization, we rely on the support of individuals, businesses and partner organizations to continue providing a high level of service to our communities. If you're passionate about the work that we're doing there are a number of ways that you can get involved.

#### Join our team!

Want to join a fun and dynamic team? BGCA is a great place to work. To see current opportunities please see our website at:

http://www.burnsidegorge.ca/opportunities/employment

#### Volunteer!

Do you have some time to spare and a passion for community? We're always looking for volunteers to help out. Current opportunities are listed at:

http://www.burnsidegorge.ca/opportunities/volunteer

#### Become a member!

Are you interested in being a part of our mission? Become a member and take an active role in shaping our community. For more information contact the BGCA directly at:

info@burnsidegorge.ca

# CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH 621 David St.



Now offering in-person and livestreaming services at 10:55 am. Prelude begins at 10:45 am.

For more info please call 250-384-6424 or visit www.cucvictoria.com

# Thank you for Making the Selkirk Waterfront Festival a Success!

On Saturday, May 27th, BGCA hosted its Selkirk Waterfront Festival. To the delight of everyone, the weather cooperated and we had a day full of sunshine! Festival goers came to enjoy the many attractions the event had to offer; there was a bouncy castle, Family Fun Zone with crafts, face painting, & bubbles, amazing musical performances, craft market vendors, community information booths, delicious hot dogs from The Hot Dogs Guys, warm beverages and enjoyable baked goodies from Selkirk Montessori School Cart Café and cool down treats from Softies Ice Cream. And to wash down that yummy grub was a great selection of beer from Hoyne Brewery.

There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to ensure a successful event. Selkirk is not possible without the dedicated team of staff and Board Members from BGCA, Sponsors, & Volunteers! THANK YOU to everyone for your involvement in making this event the success that it is!

#### A shout-out to our amazing sponsors:

City of Victoria
Jawl Properties
Trotac Marine
Days Inn Victoria Uptown
Peninsula Co-op
Long & McQuade
Hoyne Brewery

#### To our talented performers,

Kennedy Joseph Singers and Dancers Freeze Frame Impulse Response Soul Shakers

#### thank you for providing great entertainment!

Special shout out to George Scott & Event Service Production for providing our electronical needs, Caleb Kennedy for being our sound technician, Selkirk Montessori School for providing power to the stage and Deborah Shepherd with the University of English Language Centre for assisting in recruiting a large number of volunteers for our family fun zone! THANK YOU!

We would also like to extend a special thank you to all the volunteers who helped out behind the scenes in preparation for the event as well as to those who helped out on event day. Your hard work and contribution to making this event a success is very much appreciated. Thanks to everyone who made it a fun and exciting day, and YOU – the festival goers – who supported this year's festival!



#### BURNSIDE GORGE COMMUNITY CENTRE RECREATION PROGRAMS

# PROGRAM REGISTRATION

We have an exciting line-up of programs for all ages, from toddlers to seniors. To register for a program call 250-388-5251 or drop by the Centre in person. Pre-registration is required for all programs. The Front Desk hours are 8:30am-5pm, Monday to Friday. We are closed on statutory holidays and weekends, unless noted otherwise.

Payment is required at the time of registration and can be made by cash, cheque, credit card (VISA & MC), Debit or City of Victoria LIFE credits.

# REGISTER EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

Programs may be cancelled or postponed if there are not enough registered participants. Decisions to run or cancel a program are usually made two days prior to the first class.

#### **REFUND POLICY:**

- For a full refund, request for withdrawal must be received at least 1 day prior to the first class.
- A full refund will be issued if BGCA cancels a program.
- If a participant withdraws after the first class, they will be refunded the pro-rated cost of the program.
- Withdrawing after the second or third class, the participant will be refunded the pro-rated cost of the program minus a \$5 administrative fee.
- No refunds for withdrawals after the lesser of the 4th class or 50% of the course has been completed.

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

Do you have an IDEA for a program that you would like to see offered at Burnside Gorge Community Centre? Are you an instructor interested in running a program with us? Call Vanessa Normore 250-388-5251 or email <a href="mailto:vanessa@burnsidegorge.ca">vanessa@burnsidegorge.ca</a>.

#### **FACILITIES**

The Burnside Gorge Community Centre is located just outside downtown Victoria at 471 Cecelia Road, between Burnside Road East and Gorge Road East. Outdoor public facilities include the Cecelia Ravine Park, Sport Court and Bike Skills Park, adjacent to the Centre.

The Community Centre is readily accessible by public transit: buses #8, 11, 21 and 22 routes on Gorge Rd East, Jutland Rd and Burnside Rd East, run parallel or border Cecelia Road. It is also easily accessible by the Galloping Goose Trail, which is adjacent to the Centre.

# Burnside Gorge Activity Guide

#### JUNE PROGRAMS

Programs do not run on Statutory Holidays and the schedule is subject to change without notice. All programs are by registration except XL Yoga and Family Programs. Please call 250-388-5251 to register.

#### **FAMILY PROGRAMS**

#### MIGHTY MOVERS (AGES 0-5)

Join us for active play in the Activity Center. It's a time to dance, sing and play. The program provides opportunity for movement and free play. Parent participation required. Followed by snack and cool down in the Family Centre.

Mondays June 5 - 26 9:30am - 12pm Free

#### CRAFTY CRITTERS (AGES 0-5)

Explore your crafty side! Every week there is a different themed craft to go along with stories and activities. Sessions will be held in the Family Centre.

Tuesdays June 6 - 27 10am - 12pm Free

#### ITTSY BITTY'S PLAYTIME (AGES 0-5)

Join us for some sensory play and playtime in our BGCA playground when weather permits. Please dress your children appropriately for outdoor play time. Parent participation is required.

Wednesdays June 7 - 28 10am - 12pm Free

#### HAPPY TRAILS (AGES 0-5)

Are you ready for a little adventure? A weekly adventure to one of our local parks, beaches or kid friendly trails. Please dress your children appropriately for an outdoor activity. Parent participation is required.

Fridays June 9 - 30 9:30am - 12pm Free

All meet ups are free with snack and coffee provided.



#### **COMMUNITY DINNER @ BURNSIDE GRILL IS BACK ON THURSDAY, JUNE 15!**

Enjoy a nutritious meal with your family and meet other members of your community. Families need to register for dinner before Wednesday 4pm by calling the front desk at: 250-388-5251. Advise if you are Vegetarian when registering.

Thursdays June 15, 22 & 29 5 - 6 pm by donation



#### **ADULT HEALTH & WELLNESS**

#### ZUMBA

Join us for one of the fastest growing Latin dance-inspired fitness crazes across the world! People of all ages are falling in love with its infectious music, easy-to-follow dance moves and body-sculpting benefits. Come dance to the rhythms of Salsa, Merengue, Mambo and other Latin beats. This is a fitness class you will not want to miss!

Wednesdays April 19 - July 5 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 10/\$80 \* No classes on May 31

#### XL YOGA

Yoga for those living in large bodies taught by a person living in a large body. The benefits of yoga - increased balance, flexibility, stamina, and relaxation - are wonderful for everybody. We'll make the poses work for everyone using modifications and props (bolsters, blankets, and straps). Our classes are fun and light-hearted. Instructor Jill Moran

Thursdays May 4 - June 29 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm 9/\$108 \*Drop in available - \$15 per class

# ESSENTRICS: MOBILITY, STRENGTH, FLEXIBILITY, RANGE OF MOTION

Essentrics is a full body workout that unlocks and decompresses joints by stretching and strengthening all 650 muscles without impact to the body.

The workout incorporates flowing movements designed to increase circulation with the benefits of elongating and lubricating connective tissues around muscles and joints. This unique, re-aligning, and rebalancing approach to body maintenance encompasses trademark sequences that lead to improved wellness, increased energy, and pain reduction.

Every time you come to an Essentrics class, you will enjoy fresh music playlists and new exercise sequences. There's no equipment needed for Essentrics, all that is required is a mat. Instructor: Junko Hammond

Tuesdays & Fridays June 6 - 30 9 am - 10 am Drop In-\$8 a class

#### GROOVE

This is not your typical dance class. This is also not your typical fitness class. In Groove, we celebrate all music and everyone's uniqueness. In Groove, you'll be dancing to a wide variety of music from classical to hip hop, country to dub step, and everything in between. Groove uses super simple moves to connect participants to the style of the music, and invites participants to explore these unifying movements, in their way. The best part? You can't get it wrong! Come and have a kitchen dance party! This class is good for all levels, modifications are provided. Instructors: Melanie Langman and Kristina Quinn

Monday June 26 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm one class/\$15

#### FOOT FOUNDATIONS WORKSHOP

In this workshop, we will explore our own understanding of what makes our foundation, and the role feet play. We will play with mobility, balance, and strengthening. This workshop is a mix of conversation, and practical. During the workshop, we will be exploring some barefoot activities. All levels welcome. Instructor: Melanie Langman

Monday May 29 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm one class/\$20

#### 55+ PROGRAMS

#### SENIORS LUNCH AND LEARN

Socialize with other seniors in the community while enjoying a delicious and nutritious homemade meal. This program features a mix of guest speakers, social activities and theme activities during the holiday seasons. For more information please call the Community Centre, 250-388-5251.

June 1 - Ann Nightingale - 10 Easy to learn Bird Songs

June 8 - Esquimalt High School Field Trip

June 15 - Williams Head Institution - Christian Hauff & Cecelia Rossander

June 22 - TBD

June 29 - TBD



#### YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

#### CAMP SURVIVOR (AGES 10 - 14)

Join us for Camp Survivor this Summer! Registration is now open for the Summer series of youth and teen Camp Survivor! These action-packed adventure camps for youth take you outdoors for paddle boarding, paintballing, rock climbing, zip-lining and more! If you are looking for a full week of adventure and fun, this is the camp for YOU!

Camp runs Monday thru Friday from 9 am-3 pm. Morning care is available starting at 8:30 am for \$5 and aftercare if available until 4:00 pm for \$10. Call today to register at 250-388-5251. Registration forms are available online <a href="https://burnsidegorge.ca/youth-recreation/camp-survivor/">https://burnsidegorge.ca/youth-recreation/camp-survivor/</a>

July 4 - 7: \$145/\*4 day camp\*

SCHOOL'S OUT, SUMMER'S IN! - Come join us for 4 days of exploring! Activities include kayaking and swimming

July 10 - 14: \$180/ 5 days

FOREST EXPLORERS - Explore local trails, forests, and parks this week as we take on the great outdoors including Wildplay and Thetis lake!

July 17 - 21: \$180/ 5 days

CHALLENGE WEEK - Get your game face on for this week full of friendly competitions! Activities include Flying Squirrel & lazer tag

July 24 - 28: \$180/ 5 days

SPORTSZILLA - Do you like to play sports? Well, Game on. This is your week to shine on the podium! Activities include mini golf, tennis, & bowling.

July 31 - August 4: \$180/5 days

WATER WORKS - Get ready to dive into our waterthemed week! Enjoy some of the best local beaches and lakes in Victoria. Activities include swimming & paddle boarding!

August 8 - 11: \$145/ \*4 day camp\*

GAMERS DELIGHT - Game on! We are taking gaming offline and creating some real-life interactions and rities include a visit to Board Game Café, axe throwing, and

excitement! Activities include a visit to Board Game Café, axe throwing, and swimming!

August 14 - 18: \$200/ 5 days

ADRENALINE RUSH - Are you adventurous? Do you like the challenge? Take the plunge as we take on some exhilarating activities such as rock climbing & ziplining!

August 21 -25: \$180/ 5 days

SWIM & SAIL - Join us for a fantastic week by the water as we partake in a wide range of water-based activities such as swimming & paddle boarding!



#### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### KIDS AT TENNIS

The Society for Kids at Tennis (KATS, <u>www.kidsattennis.ca</u>) provides free tennis lessons and equipment to families experiencing financial barriers. Using the "progressive tennis" approach recommended by Tennis Canada, the KATS program uses smaller racquets, smaller courts, lower nets and low compression balls. This approach helps kids to develop confidence in their ability to hit the ball, learn quickly, and most of all, have fun playing the sport! To complete a registration form, please contact 250-388-5251. Please note, this tennis program takes place at Banfield Court on Craigflower Rd, next to Vic West Community Centre.

Tennis 5 - 8 year olds

Mondays July 10 - September 25 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm 10classes/Free

Tennis 9 - 13 year olds

Mondays July 10 - September 25 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm 10 classes/Free

\*No classes on Monday, July 3, August 7 and September 4\*

#### TAKE A KID FISHING

Want to go fishing? Yes, it's free! Let's celebrate living close to the ocean! If you are between 8 and 15 yrs old and have never fished on a boat, this community event is your chance to fish for salmon locally.

Every two years, The Greater Victoria Pink Salmon Festival Society takes kids fishing during the biennial pink salmon run. Local skippers volunteer their boats and share their love of sport fishing with kids who have not had this chance. Since 2001, over 1000 kids have been matched with a core of skippers, who have



headed out on the seas for three hours of salmon fishing. This is a no cost event. Skippers volunteer their time, boats, and gear. The Society provides kids with fishing licenses, salmon stamps, and personal floatation devices (PFDs). Sponsors provide funds for t-shirts, hats, sun protection and a take home backpack to encourage continued connection with nature, conservation and sustainable fishing practices. All participants then return with their lucky catch to Pedder Bay Marina to enjoy great weather, music, food and fun at the Festival picnic.

For more information: <a href="https://pinksalmonfestival.ca/">https://pinksalmonfestival.ca/</a>

#### Eligibility:

- a. 8-15 year-old youth and their designated adults are eligible if the family qualifies for a government assistance program because of Canada Revenue Agency "adjusted family net income"
  - b. Youth must be 8-15 years of age on July 23rd, 2023 to register.

EVENT DATE: Sunday, July 23rd, 2023

<u>LOCATION:</u> Pedder Bay Marina, 925 Pedder Bay Drive (off Rocky Point Rd in Metchosin) Transportation is not provided.

<u>TIME:</u> Sign in at Pedder Bay Marina at 11 am. Boats leave for 3 hours of fishing soon after.

To register please contact Vanessa at 250-388-5251 or email vanessa@burnsidegorge.ca

## **Burnside Boutique**

#### How to donate?

To book an appointment call: 250-590-0875 or email:

<u>boutique@burnsidegorge.ca</u> and one of the staff would happily get back to you.

On the date of your appointment, head over to 350 Burnside Road east. Take your donations to the back door and ring the doorbell. A staff member will be with you shortly to take a look through the items. Please advise staff might not be able to accept all items due to overstock or the general quality of the item.

# BURNSIDE BOUTIQUE WILL BE CLOSED ON SATURDAY, JULY 1 FOR CANADA DAY.



#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

#### **INCOME ASSISTANCE SUPPORT**

Do you have questions about Income Assistance (IA) or Persons with Disability Assistance (PWD)? BGCA has an Employment & Assistance Worker from the Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction who takes appointments at the Centre on Thursday afternoons. To book an appointment please call the Community Centre at 250-388-5251.

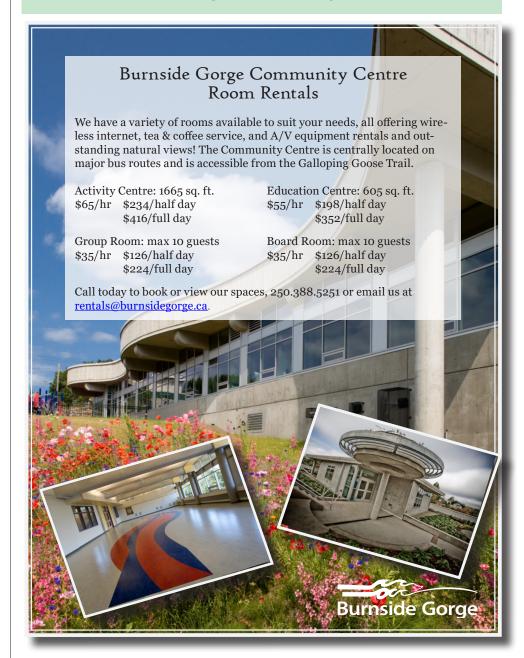
#### FREE LEGAL CLINIC

Legal advice is provided free of charge during 15-minute phone appointments on Tuesday afternoons. All legal questions welcome. Please call us to book an appointment, 250-388-5251.

#### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

As part of the Canadian Revenue Agency's Community Volunteer Income Tax Program we have volunteers that can assist those with simple tax filing for current and back dated tax years. We can help students, newcomers, persons with low income or older adults. For more info call 250-388-5251.

#### **FACILITY RENTALS**





### Burnside Gorge - Land Use Updates

The BGCA's Land Use Committee (LUC) plays a critical role in all applications for rezoning in the Burnside Gorge Neighbourhood.

#### NEXT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LAND USE COMMITTEE (CALUC)

Everyone welcome! The BG Land Use Committee meets once a month to discuss land use and related topics, or as needed when there are development proposals in the neighbourhood. Please email <u>lucchair@burnsidegorge.ca</u> if you are interested in attending these meetings and/or joining the CALUC.

#### **DEVELOPMENTS TO WATCH**

All development applications within the City can be tracked here:

 $\underline{https://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/planning-development/development-tracker.html}$ 

You can filter by neighbourhood to see what is happening in Burnside

The following new developments are posted on the City's Development Tracker, but keep an eye on the link about these following proposals or new proposals:

#### 1824-2010 Store Street & 530 Chatham Street

Additional information about this development has now been posted on the Development Tracker. A community meeting was held on October 12th to hear a preliminary proposal by Reliance Properties for a rezoning of the Capital Iron property. This is a large development including the relocation of the Greater Victoria Art Gallery to this site.

#### **Rock Bay District**

The City of Victoria has selected a working group for workshops to develop visions for the Burnside Gorge area between Chatham Street and Bay Street. This area is being planned as an Arts and Innovation District as outlined in the Victoria 3.0 Plan. https://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/business/economic-development.html

#### 129-135 Gorge Road East

A community meeting was held for a presentation on this proposal for a rental and condominium development. A majority of the community feedback was in opposition to this proposal. The applicant has stated they will be reconnecting with the neighbourhood. After review and presentation to Council it will go to a public hearing.

#### 2615 Douglas Street

A proposed 12 storey residential rental building is proposed on the portion of land behind the old Victoria Press building. The tower will run along Ross Lane. This proposal is now with City planning after a presentation at a Burnside Gorge community meeting

## Calendar Listings

#### Market Collective presents the "Meet the Makers" Series at The Bay Centre

Join Team Market Collective and between 30-40 local + handmade Artisans the first Saturday of February through June to celebrate creativity!

Date: Saturday, June 3 Time: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Location: Bay Centre Shopping Centre, 1150 Douglas Street

https://www.thebaycentre.ca/events/meet-the-makers-monthly-market/

#### The Relove Market

The ReLove Market is a Premier Secondhand & Vintage pop up Market, offering the finest in Preloved garments at affordable prices. Alongside our second-hand resellers, The ReLove Market offers community, connection, creativity & small business love and features local artisans, makers in fashion, vintage, beauty, home and lifestyle. We are committed to the growth of our community and providing a stress-free shopping experience for both vendors and consumers alike. Come out and shop some of the finest in secondhand & vintage clothing, accessories, housewares and more!

Date: Saturday & Sunday, June 3-4

Time: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Location: Market Square, 560 Johnson Street

https://relovegeneration.com/

Do you have an upcoming event or activity? Send submissions to

info@burnsidegorge.ca

or call us at 250-388-5251!

#### **Art with a Purpose Workshop**

Art with a Purpose: Using Art for Advocacy with Jasmine Rodman is a workshop for youth and young adults who want to explore creative ways to talk about the environment, sustainability and the

In this three-hour workshop, learn about successful examples and local issues and help create a banner for ocean advocacy. All materials and supplies will be provided, but space is limited so register in advance.

Date: Sunday, June 4 Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Location: Royal BC Museum, 675 Belleville Street

Free but registration is required, click on the link for registration informa-

https://www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/visit/events/calendar/event/art-purpose-workshop

#### **Planting for Pollinators**

Planting For Pollinators is the third and final workshop in FED Urban Ag's Spring Workshop Series! Join us in FED's Urban Learning Garden (in the courtyard of the Central Branch of the Greater Victoria Public Library) to brush up on your gardening know-how.

Date: Tuesday, June 20 Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Location: Greater Victoria Public Library - Central Branch, 735 Broughton Street

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/planting-for-pollinators-tickets-594875066337

#### Dinosaurs of BC Exhibit at the Royal BC Museum

April 17, 2023-January 7, 2024, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Royal BC Museum

Dig into prehistoric British Columbia and get up close and personal with "Buster", the Iron Lizard of the Sustut River, and the other dinosaurs that once roamed the province's highest peaks, densest forests and most remote river basins. Through research done by the Royal BC Museum's palaeontology team, we're learning just how many ancient creatures once called these lands home.

Date: April 17, 2023-January 7, 2024

Time: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Location: Royal BC Museum, 675 Belleville Street

https://royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/visit/exhibitions/dinosaurs-bc

#### Oak Bay Tea Party

It's the 61st Oak Bay Tea Party weekend! A weekend full of fun. Enjoy the amusements, food trucks, musicians, kids craft centre and much more at the beautiful Willows Beach!

Date: Friday-Sunday, June 2-4

Time: Various events between 7:00 am - 9:00 pm

Location: Willows Beach https://oakbayteaparty.com/

#### The Village Block Party

It's block party time! You can enjoy live music, activities, food trucks and vendors at this family-friendly event.

Date: Sunday, June 11 Time: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Location: 313 Cook Street

https://www.thecookstvillage.com/thevillageblockparty

#### **FernFest**

Fernwood's annual neighbourhood celebration is around the corner! 2 days of fun. Enjoy musicians, performers, food, beer, artists, magic, a kid's zone, face painting, an artisan market, games, bubbles, walking tours, a silent auction and much more!



Date: Saturday & Sunday, June 16 & 17

Location: Fernwood Square

https://fernwoodnrg.ca/events-directory/fernfest/

#### **National Indigenous Peoples Day**

A day to celebrate and honour National Indigenous Peoples Day. You can enjoy free Indigenous Market, bannock and strawberries. Please check the link below for the updates!

Date: Tuesday, June 21

Time: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Location: Quadra Village Community Centre, 901 Kings Rd.

https://www.qvcc.ca/indigenouspeoplesday