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Councillors supportive of Indigenous recognition

By HANNAH SCOTT

Local Journalism Initiative reporter

Following discussion at last week's council meeting, city staff will report back to council on plans for recognition of Indigenous people and land.

Coun. Bill McNulty, who made the motion to staff, requested they also look at "consultation on what could be done, and what actions could be taken that are unique to Richmond."

The referral, which passed uncontested, followed a presentation from two delegates: Chaslynn Gillanders, a member of the Nisga'a Nation, and Musqueam councillor Howard Grant.

"It's important for the city to recognize the Indigenous people have constitutional rights, and distinct actions are required," said Gillanders. "In order to make progress on these issues, a government-to-government relationship with Indigenous nations is required."

Grant added that it's important to strengthen the relationship between the Musqueam Indian Band and the City of Richmond, and develop an awareness and understanding of the history, culture and people of the land.

"Today I ask that we look at how we can create a more joint relationship. I would recommend that Richmond council consider having a semi-annual meeting with Musqueam council to discuss issues of common concern, to move forward in a more friendly way because we together have to recover and rebuild the economy not only of Richmond but of British Columbia as well," said Grant.

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Photo by Don Fennell

Richmond is considering plans for recognition of Indigenous people and land following a presentation to council last week.



Photo screen grab from City of Richmond YouTube

Andy Hobbs became an official city councillor at his swearing in June 14.

Hobbs sworn in as city councillor

By HANNAH SCOTT

Local Journalism Initiative reporter

Andy Hobbs was sworn in last week as Richmond's newest city councillor.

"I want to thank the voters of Richmond for providing me with the opportunity to serve the community," said Hobbs. "It's an honour. I will work very hard, I'll give it 110 per cent. I am very open to listening to everybody and taking in all points of view before we make a group decision."

Mayor Malcolm Brodie appointed Hobbs

to the following committees:

- Community safety committee
- Public works and transportation committee
- Council/school board liaison committee
- Richmond Centre for Disability
- Richmond sister city advisory committee
- City Centre Community Association
- London Heritage Farm Society
- Minoru Seniors Society

Hobbs was also named acting mayor from Aug. 1 to Sept. 15.

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Richmond's a millennial hot spot

Richmond ranks fifth on a list of Canadian cities when it comes to life satisfaction.

And it boasts the seventh-best climate and ninth lowest unemployment rate in the country to boot.

Those are among the findings of a team of analysts at Point 2, an international real estate search portal, which ranked the 85 largest Canadian cities by looking at nine criteria deemed important for millennials including home prices, income, and well being.

Though Richmond fared poorly when it comes to home price (70th), it still ranks 25th overall on the list, a significant move up of 12 spots from 37th in Point 2's report in 2018.

The 2021 report notes the oldest millennials are turning 40 this year and suggests that "while affordable housing, reliable incomes and good healthcare are mainstays, factors such as life satisfaction and climate might also start becoming more important for those millennials who are looking for the ideal place to call home."

Aside from income and housing, areas such as crime rate, healthcare, level of education and the percentage of millennials among the total population were also considered.

Massey crossing remains stalled

By HANNAH SCOTT

Local Journalism Initiative reporter

City staff have submitted a report in advance of this week's public works and transportation committee meeting that notes the lack of progress on the George Massey Tunnel replacement project. The provincial ministry of transportation and infrastructure previously noted timelines dependent on securing funding for various elements of the project. The report says the city has not received an update for five months, although staff continue to engage with the ministry project team and advocate for the city's interests on Richmond-based components.



Photo by Chung Chow

A city staff report notes that there has been no update on the George Massey Tunnel replacement project for months.

Climate action funding

The city is considering a formal expression of concern over the ending of the provincial Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program. A staff report submitted in advance of this week's general purposes committee meeting notes that the cancellation of the program, which has achieved positive outcomes, was unexpected. The city has successfully used funding from the program towards its climate action initiatives, and now anticipates a loss of about \$230,000 in 2022 revenue. The province expects to provide ongoing funds for climate action through other programs.

Award entries

City staff are recommending councillors endorse Richmond's entries for the annual Union of B.C. Municipalities Community Excellence Awards. The entries are:

- Excellence in governance: City of Richmond affordable housing strategy 2017-2027
- Excellence in service delivery: Works yard—Recycling depot upgrades
- Excellence in asset management: Water demand management program
- Excellence in sustainability: High reclaimed asphalt paving pilot program

Rental restrictions

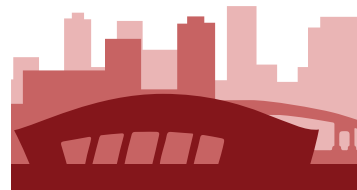
A public hearing this week will cover a bylaw amendment on rental and age restrictions in

the city. If approved, the new bylaw would require that no townhouse or multiple family dwelling unit in a new project be restricted from being rented, or be subject to age restrictions for its occupants.

Dike plans

Public and stakeholder engagement will soon begin on Phase 4 of the dike master plan, which includes the north dike between No. 6 and Boundary roads. A staff report submitted to this week's public works and transportation committee meeting notes that about 87 per cent of the dikes in this area include an existing roadway on top of the dike. In these areas, staff recommend separating the dike from the road, leaving a 10-metre wide dike portion to allow for future dike raising without road modifications. The proposal also includes a separated multi-use path for cyclists and pedestrians on top of the dike and a designated bike lane on the new road. Some areas of the Phase 4 area have different solutions recommended, depending on the existing conditions.

CITY BRIEFS



Electric vehicles

Beginning in September, Richmond students may be able to learn about electric vehicles in class thanks to a program promoting electrical vehicle awareness among youth, helped by a \$10,000 grant from Emotive's community outreach incentive program. The program was a collaboration between the city, school district, Plug-In BC and Plug-In Richmond, as well as the city's

Green Ambassadors.

Help Cities Lead

A staff report submitted in advance of this week's public works and transportation committee meeting is aiming to improve buildings' energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reductions. The report seeks council's endorsement of the Help Cities Lead advocacy campaign. Help Cities Lead identifies five areas where provincial delegation would help local governments implement policies and programs that could reduce greenhouse gas emissions over the next decade.

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Foundation awards high school scholarships

After receiving nearly 140 applications, the Richmond Community Foundation has announced the winners of its 2021 high school scholarships.

In all, the Foundation awarded over \$25,000, presenting scholarships to 36 Richmond students.

Among the recipients is Ahmad Mustafa, a Richmond Secondary student who plans to pursue a career in engineering. He's one of four winners of the Derek Dang and Dr. Margaret Yeung Scholarship.

"I was thrilled, motivated, and proud to be acknowledged as a recipient," says Mustafa.

The Kronier Family Scholarship, one of the Foundation's largest, supports multiple students annually. This year, there were 21 recipients, including Wesley Yiu, who attends Steveston-London Secondary.

"This award will greatly help me pursue my passions in commerce and law," says Yiu. "I look forward to using what I learn from my academic and community experiences to give back to the community."

In addition to providing scholarships across a wide range of academic fields, the Foundation offers support for students enrolled in trade programs, those involved in the performing arts, and student athletes.

Shae Sever, of McRoberts Secondary, received the Walter Wu Scholarship, which will support her



Photo submitted

The Richmond Community Foundation recently awarded over \$25,000 in scholarships to 36 local high school students.

studies at UBC while she plays on the school's varsity softball team.

"Words cannot express my gratitude and honour at receiving this," says Sever. "I've spent my entire life preparing to play at the next level, and now my dream has finally come true thanks to you."

Through careful investment and financial management, the Foundation works to ensure that its scholarship funds continue growing year after year. Individuals, businesses, and community groups also regularly establish new funds.

"Richmond students are doing amazing things, and have big educational goals," says Foundation Chair Dave Frank. "To match their passion and ambition, we'll keep working with our fundholders and the broader Richmond community, so that every student has the financial resources to pursue an enriching fulfilling education."

Visit www.richmondfoundation.org for a complete list of scholarship recipients. While there, you can also donate to an existing scholarship fund, or learn how to create one yourself.

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Lifelong learner moving on to next chapter

After three decades as an educator, Wendy Lim retires from the Richmond School District

By **DON FENNELL**
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Pulling into the parking lot at J.N. Burnett Secondary in her 1983 Trans Am, Wendy Lim made quite a first impression.

But it pales in comparison to the impact she had over the next 37 years as a public educator.

In a single word: "Inspiring."

As a teacher, and later administrator at the district level, her presence was felt everywhere, and by everyone she met. Armed with an infectious enthusiasm for learning, she soaked up every opportunity, and just as comfortably passed on a belief that anything was possible.

Lim retired recently from the Richmond School District—but only to begin a new chapter in her life that will be filled with the same energy and impact. She plans to continue her daily two-hour walks and to create a family cookbook, is keen to learn to play the ukulele, go sailing, and volunteer. And, of course, spend more time with her family.

A lifelong quest for learning began as a precocious child, and picked up steam as a high schooler at Templeton where Lim graduated in 1978 with the all-around student award. Countless more awards and accolades would follow. However, her path to becoming an educator herself was a diversion from another passion: science, having first earned a Bachelor's degree in biochemistry at UBC.

Colleagues—past and present, friends, and even former students recently extended heartfelt congratulations during an emotional online tribute. Offering his best wishes, Superintendent Scott Robinson shared his disappointment that the celebration could not be held in person.

Describing her as "perhaps the most relentlessly enthusiastic person I've

ever known," retired superintendent Bruce Beirsto noted the constant support and encouragement she extended to everyone.

"I don't remember you taking on any assignment that you didn't complete with enthusiasm or tackle with success," he said.

"They say good leaders leave more behind them, and I don't think anyone is leaving more leaders behind them than you. And your best years are still ahead of you."

Describing his long-time friend and colleague as the Energizer Bunny, Glenn Kishi said Lim simply makes people better.

"I will always remember the student leadership conferences," he said. "Planning was probably the most fun. We had some outstanding speakers and programs. And then when we moved to Saturdays, we drew 650 kids and knocked the doors off. It was just magic."

Kanwal Neel, who also taught alongside Lim for many years, provided a unique tribute by matching the letters of her name with appropriate words.

"Starting with W, we are grateful for your gift of wisdom and wish you the gift of

wellness," he began. "E is for your enthusiasm and we wish you enjoyment in your retirement."

A recipient of the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence, DiAnne Simonson noted her and Lim's personal and professional lives have crossed many times over, since first meeting at Tumbleweed Daycare which their children attended.

"You have always been an inspiration and leader. You always motivate others by giving from your heart, while sharing your knowledge and passion. You raised the bar for the Richmond School District on how to approach education."

Richmond RCMP also awarded a plaque to Lim recognizing her efforts toward the DARE program. The presentation was made by Cpl. Adam Carmichael.

Lim was overwhelmed by the love her friends and colleagues have extended to her.

"I'm touched by your presence. Please know you are the reason I loved every single minute. Thank you for the gift of our awesome relationships," she said.

Lim said one of her proudest moments was in March 2018, when the district adopted an updated mission and values statement, which she was instrumental in drafting. Following extensive consultation, including with students and parents, Policy 100 emerged from 274 pieces of feedback, with the new statement being "the Richmond School District is the best place to learn and lead" while cultivating a safe, accepting and engaging community that inspires a passion for lifelong learning.

"Through our work we touched the future. What a beautiful privilege," said Lim.



Long-time friends and colleagues, Wendy Lim and Glenn Kishi have both left an indelible mark in the Richmond School District and the community as a whole.

Photo by Don Fennell

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— Bruce Beirsto



Photos submitted

Grade 3 and 4 students at Homma elementary learned about sumo wrestling through an interactive robotics project.

Students learn about sumo wrestling through handmade robots

By HANNAH SCOTT

Local Journalism Initiative reporter

Students at Homma elementary had the opportunity to learn about sumo wrestling with a hands-on activity that saw them designing their own robots with Lego.

A Grade 3/4 class started using programmable Edison robots—a classroom tool that helps students learn about coding and robotics—in May, thanks to student teacher Eduardo Madrigal, who lived in Japan for three years and was familiar with sumo wrestling.

Madrigal learned the robots had a sumo wrestle mode, and used it as an opportunity to teach students about the history, meaning and culture of sumo. Students learned some Japanese words and watched videos of the Grand Sumo Tournament in Tokyo.

"Students built sumo robots using Lego and the Edisons, tested them and redesigned/added to them. Then, the bots got to fight in a sumo tournament in the official rings," said teacher Dorota Szelagowicz.

Four posters were made to be wrestling rings, with the four major Japanese cities—Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya and Fukuoka—written around them. Madrigal said students asked a lot of great questions and really enjoyed designing their own sumo robots.

"A hands-on project like this is an exciting way to teach the applied design, skills and technologies skills, but also to introduce other concepts and celebrate our cultures—in this case Asian history month and Steveston and our school's Japanese connection," said Madrigal.

Szelagowicz added, "This was a unique way to honour Japanese culture in our Steveston community and a creative learning opportunity for (our) students."

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Cindy Lee and Tina Lee of T&T Supermarket

COMMUNITY CARES AWARD

The Community Cares Award is an annual honour that recognizes a donor who has demonstrated leadership through inspiring members of the community to support Richmond Hospital Foundation. Presented to Cindy Lee, Founder of T&T Supermarket, and Tina Lee, CEO of T&T Supermarket, Cindy and Tina have been integral in connecting and uniting our diverse and growing community to champion local health care. Thank you for inspiring the hearts and generosity of people in Richmond.



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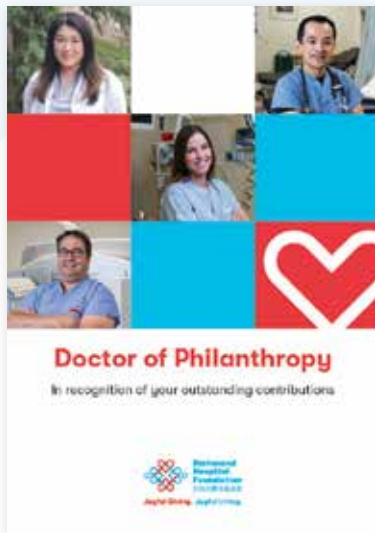
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RAPS COMMUNITY REPORT Caring for the animals who care for us

Giant pup gets lifesaving rescue



**Eyal
Lichtmann**

Staff members from RAPS went on a long road trip to the North of B.C. a few days ago. They were picking up Buck, a giant pup who was surrendered to us. Buck has health issues that are being assessed by doctors at the RAPS Animal Hospital. His people were unable to care for him during this period of treatment and rehabilitation and so they called RAPS.

RAPS is a no-kill organization and that means that we will invest all the time and resources necessary to nurse animals like Buck back to health. In other jurisdictions, a dog like Buck would have been euthanized.

Weighing in at about 100 pounds, this one-year-old Caucasian Shepherd/Sarplaninac/Lab mix is a big boy with a big personality. He's a sweetheart who is great with kids.

Initial indications are that Buck may have hip dysplasia or some other joint issue. He may need expensive surgery on his hips or knees or maybe both. RAPS is uniquely positioned to care for animals with these types of special medical needs, like Buck, because of the community-owned, fully equipped not-for-profit RAPS Animal Hospital.

For now, Buck is getting settled into his foster home. A wonderful family is caring for Buck as he transitions to a radically different lifestyle than he knew up north. They will be chauffeuring him to what is expected to be many doctors' appointments and possibly treatments at Canada's only hyperbaric oxygen therapy facility for animals—conveniently located in the RAPS Animal Hospital. The hyperbaric treatments will



Photo submitted

Thanks to RAPS, big dogs with complex health issues like Buck have a chance at healing and finding a forever family.

provide Buck with non-invasive, quick healing.

Buck's story is not unique. RAPS will always welcome animals from throughout the province—and even beyond. We believe that where an animal lives should not determine whether an animal lives.

The RAPS Cat Sanctuary, home to hundreds of cats who would have been euthanized elsewhere, is the model for long-term care. We have been more limited with space for long-term care for dogs. But RAPS is undertaking a campaign for the construction of the new RAPS Dog Sanctuary and Adoption Centre, a place where dogs with behavioural or physical challenges will be rehabilitated, socialized and trained by experts,

surrounded by all the loving care they need, for as long as they require to find their forever family.

To help raise funds for this major development, RAPS has launched an online 50/50 draw at rapsbc.com. Tickets are on sale until the end of July and the draw is on Aug. 3. Another way to help is to donate to and shop at the RAPS Thrift Stores. Awesome bargains for shoppers and donating to the stores is a great way to make room by cleaning out your closets and shed, replace furniture and empty the storage area. Any way you support RAPS helps animals like Buck.

Eyal Lichtmann is CEO and executive director of the Regional Animal Protection Society.

MY NAME IS GEORGE

George is a senior who, knock on wood, does not have any major medical issues as some cats would at his age. He is a bit plump, and his kidney levels were a bit on the high side of normal. We have him on a kidney support diet, and are hoping that plenty of activity in his new home will help with weight loss. His new family needs to be committed to having a senior cat long-term; this not only includes giving him lots of love, but also making sure that regular vet exams are being done.

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Anti-Racism Initiatives



**Bill
McNulty**
Councillor

Richmond has a significant immigrant population with over 60 per cent born outside Canada, making it one of the country's most culturally diverse cities. Racism, violence, inequality and exclusion are always issues of concern affecting all aspects of communities, especially one as unique as ours.

On May 25, 2020, City Council adopted a statement against racism and violence:

"In Richmond, we are a community that celebrates a rich history of culture, diversity and heritage linked to the arrival and influence of immigrants that began over a century ago. The city of Richmond does not and never will condone or tolerate racist behaviour in any form. Such attitudes and actions do not reflect our community's cultural diversity or the spirit of inclusion that we are proud of. Now, more than ever, we must stand together and be true to our shared values of diversity, inclusion and respect. Racial and discriminatory responses

and actions have no place in Richmond. They have no place in our society."

The City has established various plans to reduce barriers and provide programs and services that meet the needs of our community and celebrate Richmond's diverse cultures. Our Cultural Harmony Plan (2019-2029) contains many ongoing initiatives to advance anti-racism and foster cultural harmony. Some other examples include:

- The Arts Strategy, adopted in 2019, serves as a guide to promoting inclusivity and diversity in the Arts by encouraging and increasing programming involving work by First Nations artists.
- The Richmond RCMP "Hate has no place" poster campaign to combat hate and racism, launched in 2020 and recently updated,
- Proactive RCMP programs such as diversity training that enhance their ability to foster public trust and build positive community relations.

Staff and Council work with many community groups supporting a local approach to counter racism and hate activity. Richmond is part of the Organizing Against Racism & Hate Network (OARH), which supports a coordinated approach to countering racism and hate activity.

Many events held annually celebrate



Richmond's diverse cultures and foster intercultural understanding through dialogue, storytelling and sharing of art, food, and music. They include Black History Month, National Indigenous Peoples Day, Ramadan, International Holocaust Day, Asian Heritage Month, Pride Week, Erase Bullying Day, Doors Open Richmond, United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week, and Elimination of Racial Discrimination Week.

An annual City Diversity Symposium also provides municipal, association and society staff skills-based training in intercultural competency and anti-racism.

The City of Richmond is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion, and to advancing ongoing action initiatives to combat racism and hate in our community.

City of Richmond Council Meetings Calendar

In accordance with public health orders, members of the public can no longer attend Standing Committee, Council and Public Hearing Meetings in person. The public can still watch all open meetings online and participate remotely.

For further information, meeting schedules and assistance, please visit richmond.ca/cityhall or contact the City Clerk's Office at 604-276-4007.

June 22 | 4:00 p.m.
Public Works & Transportation Committee

June 28 | 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting

June 29 | 4:00 p.m.
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Committee

June 30 | 3:30 p.m.
Development Permit Panel

July 5 | 4:00 p.m.
General Purposes Committee followed by Finance Committee

July 6 | 4:00 p.m.
Planning Committee

July 12 | 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting

July 13 | 4:00 p.m.
Community Safety Committee

July 14 | 3:30 p.m.
Development Permit Panel

July 19 | 4:00 p.m.
General Purposes Committee

July 19 | 7:00 p.m.
Public Hearing

July 20 | 4:00 p.m.
Public Works & Transportation Committee followed by Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Committee

July 26 | 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting

July 28 | 3:30 p.m.
Development Permit Panel

For meeting agendas and reports visit www.richmond.ca. Meeting schedule subject to change



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Celebrate Canada Day at Home

Canada Day at Home, presented in partnership with the Steveston Salmon Festival, returns on July 1 to provide Richmond residents with interactive online opportunities to mark the occasion in ways that reflect their own values and beliefs.

The Steveston Salmon Festival, held every July 1, is an annual event rooted in history and heritage that provides an opportunity for thousands to come together in a display of community spirit. The online festival program will incorporate some of the most loved components of the Steveston Salmon Festival while still aligning with the Provincial Health Order on gatherings and events.

"This Canada Day will be a time of reflection for many and we'd like to encourage everyone to share what this date means to them this year," says Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "The pandemic continues to influence how we commemorate special occasions, so we are honoured to be able to present a platform that highlights community. Now, more than ever, it is important for community members to demonstrate our shared values of respect, inclusion and diversity."

Following on the success of last year's virtual program, the *Canada Day at Home* 2021 line-up includes opportunities for the whole family to participate through programming such as:

- A Digital Parade at 10 a.m. on July 1

Streamable from the City of Richmond YouTube channel or Steveston



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

Most Patriotic Pet is one of three categories in the Digital Home Parade, one of *Canada Day at Home's* interactive online opportunities.

Salmon Festival website, it includes a welcome message from Mayor Malcolm Brodie; a rendition of *O Canada* by members of the all-women Richmond Singers choir; and a Digital Parade that showcases virtual "floats" created by local businesses and organizations from across Richmond.

- Special online programming available from July 1 available on the Steveston Salmon Festival website and @FunRichmond social media channels.

Among the highlights are a special presentation about the history of the Japanese Canadian community in Steveston; a special presentation about the history of salmon and canning in B.C. and the key role played by the Gulf of Georgia Cannery; and several outstanding performances by local artists, musicians and more on a Virtual Mainstage.

- There will also be a unique Digital Home Parade where the creativity of local residents will be showcased via Instagram in three categories:

- ☐ Digital Children's Bike Parade
- ☐ Most Patriotic Pet
- ☐ Best Decorated Home/Vehicle/Business

A Canada Day at Home Horticulture Show is also planned. It will be an Instagram competition of "anything goes" horticultural creations from passionate gardeners across Richmond. Finalists will be determined by judges, with winners selected by public poll during the first week of July.

To learn more about how to participate in this year's online programming including the Digital Parade, visit www.stevestonsalmonfest.ca or follow @FunRichmond on social media.

Asphalt Paving Advisory

The City of Richmond has contracted All Road Construction to grind and pave the following locations in Richmond from **March 8 to October 15, 2021**:

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Bridgeport Road and Viking Way	Intersection only
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8000 Block Lansdowne Road	No. 3 Road to Garden City Road
10000 Block No. 4 Road	Williams Road to Steveston Highway
11000 Block Railway Avenue	Steveston Highway to Moncton Street
Colbeck Road	
Palmberg Road	
Kozier Drive	Vibration complaint
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Work hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on weekends. Night time work hours will be from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (typically).

Traffic will be reduced to single-lane and there may be temporary lane closures. Delays may occur. The use of an alternate route is strongly encouraged.

This work is weather dependent and dates are subject to change without notice.

The scope of the advertised work may be adjusted or cancelled in line with available funding.

Questions may be directed to Wasim Memon, Supervisor, Engineering Inspections, at 604-276-4189, or visit the City's paving program webpage at www.richmond.ca (City Services > Roads, Dykes, Water & Sewers > Construction Projects > 2020 Paving Program).



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Richmond's Camryn Rogers has twice broken the collegiate record and recently won her second straight NCAA women's hammer throw title.

Olympic-bound Rogers rewrites record book—again

Gifted Richmond athlete is back-to-back NCAA hammer throw queen

By DON FENNELL
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So what does Camryn Rogers do for an encore now, after winning her second straight NCAA women's hammer throw title. And in record fashion, to boot?

How about an appearance at the Olympic Games?

That seems all but certain after the 22-year-old Richmond athlete didn't only break the collegiate record twice June 10 in Eugene, Ore. She literally shattered the previous meet best of 73.32 metres, opening with a meet record and eighth-best throw in the world this year with a first throw of 74.97 metres. Then on her final attempt she threw 75.52 metres, moving into the top four among the world's best.

The Olympic Summer Games, originally scheduled to be held July 24 to Aug. 9, 2020, were delayed because of the COVID-19 pandemic. They are now set to begin July 24, 2021 in Tokyo, Japan.

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Dunfee breaks own Canadian record

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Evan Dunfee warmed up for this summer's Olympics recently by bettering his own Canadian record by almost a full minute at the Vancouver Sun Harry Jerome Track Classic in a closed event June 12 at Burnaby's Swangard Stadium, completing the distance in 38:39.72.

Talk about good timing.

It was five years earlier, plus a day, that the Richmond race walker established a personal best time of 39 minutes, 21:30 seconds in the 10,000 metre race walk at a meet in Coquitlam.

On his way to the Tokyo Games which are scheduled to begin July 23, and where he's expected to compete in the 50-kilometre race, Dunfee established a new milestone with his older brother Adam calling the race. It was Adam (now a Toronto-based broadcaster) who first introduced Evan to race walking in high school.

"Really cool to have my brother be able to commentate this record breaking walk," Evan tweeted, after Adam served up this tweet: "Congrats @EvanDunfee on shattering your Canadian 10,000m race walk record! At this point the only thing I can hold over you is that I have better hair."

Evan said he's always prided himself on his ability to lock into a pace, but said he was able to take it to the "next level" on June 12.

"This was also the least I've checked my watch in a long time," he said.

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Richmond race walker Evan Dunfee broke his own Canadian record in the 10,000 metre race walk June 12.

Stecher shines at World Hockey Championships

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Troy Stecher had worn the maple leaf twice before, at the World Hockey Championships in 2019, and at the World Junior A Challenge in 2011.

But the recent 2021 World Hockey Championships in Riga, Latvia was his shining moment.

The 27-year-old from Richmond set up Cal-

gary Flames' forward Andrew Mangiapane with the winning goal at 2:12 of overtime to lift Canada to a 2-1 upset of the ROC (Russian Olympic Committee) team in the tournament's quarter-finals.

The Detroit Red Wings' defenceman, and former Vancouver Canuck, made a spectacular play to get by a defender before passing to Mangiapane for the winning goal.

After an 0-3 start to the tournament, Canada went on to win gold by defeating the Unit-

ed States in the semifinals and then Finland in the championship game.

Stecher's strong skating proved to be an asset on the large European ice surface which is 200 feet by 100 feet, 15 feet wider than the NHL standard.

"Obviously I'm not going to be able to physically push guys over, so my quickness and speed has to be one of my strengths," he told the *Richmond Sentinel* in 2017.

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Gotta Sing! Gotta Dance! back for the summer

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For more than a quarter century, *Gotta Sing! Gotta Dance!* has been a staple in the performing arts community.

Created by Richmond's Perry Ehrlich, the intensive musical theatre camps offers youngsters nine to 19 the opportunity to build on their love of singing, dancing, acting and performing.

"Putting together a musical theatre camp during these crazy COVID times has been a challenge, but I personally have been energized and overwhelmed by the public support and appreciation," says Ehrlich. "We are thrilled with the number of applications—over 110—that we have received to date. This will be our 27th year at the Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver, and I cannot wait."

While enrollment is limited due to COVID restrictions, Ehrlich says there are still a few spaces. To learn more call 604-257-5111.

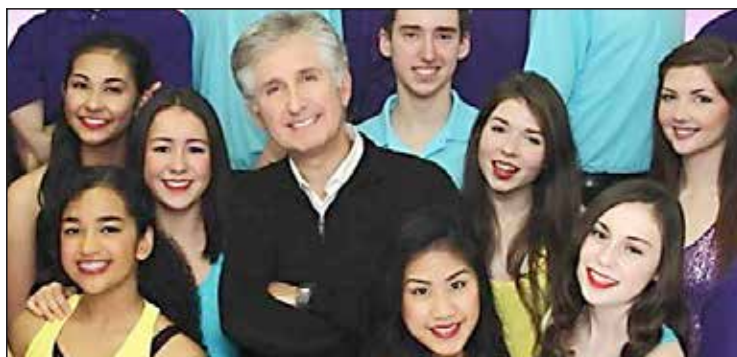


Photo via www.theimpresario.ca
Richmond's Perry Ehrlich is again presenting *Gotta Sing! Gotta Dance!*, intensive musical theatre camps for youth aged nine to 19, this summer.

The intensive camp focuses on all aspects of musical theatre, including vocal technique, the craft of acting and choreography. Participants are divided into groups based on age and ability, with each two-week session unique.

Many graduates of *Gotta Sing! Gotta Dance!* have gone on to successful careers in the performing arts, from within the province of British Columbia to New York, California, and even Austria and

Israel.

Ehrlich, who received an Ovation Award and the Canadian Bar Association's Community Service Award (acknowledging his tireless dedication to working with children and musical theatre) is a composer, pianist, teacher, arranger, producer, adjudicator, writer, and talent coordinator, also directs *ShowStoppers*, the popular performance troupe. Check out www.theimpresario.ca. This year, Ehrlich has assembled an impressive Faculty of professional instructors (including directors, musicians, choreographers, and actors), each working in his or her respective field including musical director Wendy Bross Stuart; director Chris McGregor; and choreographers Jason Franco, Meghan Anderssen, and Keri Minty.

Scholarships are available through the generosity of the Babe Oreck Memorial Fund, Phyllis & Irving Snider Foundation, and others for those needing financial assistance.

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Gateway offers outdoor concerts throughout summer

Gateway Theatre is taking performing arts outdoors this summer with its *Songs of Summer* series.

Live concerts will be offered on July 10, Aug. 14 and Sept. 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Gateway Theatre Grove, an open patch of grass in front of the venue in Minoru Park. The programs will feature local performing artists Steffanie Davis, Krystle

Dos Santos, Tiana Jung, Jason Sakaki and Amanda Sum.

"It's an opportunity to reconnect, to gather, unwind, and celebrate the joy of live performance. We've been waiting for this chance to reunite with our community in person," says Barbara Tomicic, Gateway Theatre's director of artistic programs.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their own blankets, lawn chairs, non-alcoholic beverages and snacks. Each group of concert-goers will have a marked-out "bubble" to call their own while enjoying an evening rich in summer, sun, and song.

Tickets are \$20 each, available online at gatewaytheatre.com/summer-concerts.

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