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The ParaTough Cup takes place at Richmond Olympic Oval on Oct. 21, allowing people to compete in three Para sports while fundraising for the Paralympic Foundation of Canada.

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- I Spearheaded Numerous Natural Disaster Relief Campaigns I was the Fundraising Event Chair and Producer for many disaster relief campaigns: 1226 South Asia Tsunami and Earthquake Fundraising Campaign South Asia Earthquake Relief Campaign We Love BC Chinese Community Forest Fire Relief Campaign 5116 Fort McMurray Fire Relief Campaign 2020 CAPBA Covid-19 Relief Campaign 1117 BC Flood Relief Campaign I raised funds in these events to help all the victims in need

"I believe with my years of experience in business and community contribution, I am capable to assist the municipal government to create strategic plans that are beneficial to the City of Richmond and to better serve you and our community. I am asking for your support and your vote, so that together we can build a better Richmond for the current generation and the generations to come."





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## New temporary supportive housing opens

People experiencing or at risk of homelessness in Richmond are moving into new safe and secure homes with the opening of a 40-unit temporary supportive housing building.

"Aster Place is another important component of the city's homelessness strategy and an example of how partnerships can result in housing for those residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness," says Mayor Malcolm Brodie.

Located at 2520 Smith St., Aster Place is a three-storey modular building with 40 self-contained units, each with a private washroom and kitchenette. The building has a commercial kitchen, laundry facilities, and storage space.

Aster Place will provide housing for about 30



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

Aster Place temporary supportive housing has opened.

people living in Richmond's temporary Emergency Response Centre (ERC), which has provided safe accommodation for vulnerable people during the COVID-19 pandemic and will now close. Guests were assisted to move to Aster Place by the ERC operator, Turning Point Recovery Society. Vacancies in the building will be filled by other people in the community who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness.

Community Builders Group, an experienced local provider of affordable and supportive housing services, will operate Aster Place. Residents will be provided with support services, including daily meals, life-skills training, employment assistance and counselling, physical and

mental-health resources, and access to addiction treatment and recovery services. On-site staff will provide around-the-clock support to residents.

"Community Builders has a wealth of experience in offering supportive housing services and being a good neighbour," says Julie Roberts, executive director of Community Builders Group. "We can't wait to become part of the vibrant Richmond community. We believe this site is going to lead to a num-

ber of positive outcomes for its residents and for the area at large, and we look forward to the work of building relationships together and creating new homes and communities for Richmond residents that need them."

The name Aster Place comes from the aster flower, which represents love, hope and loyalty. Aster Place will operate for approximately three years while the City of Richmond and the province explore permanent housing solutions in the community.

The province, through BC Housing, provided about \$9.5 million through the Homelessness Action Plan for the project, and will provide annual operating funding of approximately \$1.24 million. The City of Richmond waived \$250,000 in fees and provided the land for the project.

This project is part of the more than 35,000 new homes that are complete or underway for people in B.C. through provincial government investments made since 2017, including more than 200 homes in Richmond.

To learn more about the project, visit letstalk housingbc.ca/richmond-smith

The Richmond Homelessness Strategy outlines five strategic directions and 32 recommended actions. Since its release, the city has implemented various initiatives to support residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness. To learn more about the city's Homelessness Strategy, visit richmond.ca/services/communitysocialdev/homelessness/hlstrategy.htm

## Hand-woven blanket installed at city hall

Ahand-woven blanket commissioned by the City of Richmond from prominent Musqueam artist Debra Sparrow now hangs at the entrance of council chambers at Richmond city hall.

The hand-spun sheep wool blanket's design honours Sparrow's ancestors and the heron, the majestic bird associated with the city and its many waterways and natural landscapes. The multi-coloured blanket, which is approximately 1.2 metres by 0.6 metres (four feet by two feet) in size, incorporates motifs inspired by flying bird patterns and the waves of the Fraser River. The colour scheme and geometric patterns are in keeping with Musqueam tradition.

Sparrow created the blanket during her tenure at the Blue Cabin floating artist residency in Steveston in April and May 2022.

"The city is delighted to have such a remarkable piece of art from Ms. Sparrow on display for everyone to see at city hall," said Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "Ms. Sparrow's proud Musqueam tradition and artistic qualities are evident in this blanket, which stands as a sign of the connection that exists between the city and Musqueam people."

The Blue Cabin floating artist residency began its two-year stay in Steveston in January 2022. It offers a range of public programs and unique artist residency opportunities. Created during Sparrow's inaugural artist residency in this location, the hand-woven blanket will provide a legacy and reminder of this extraordinary cultural experience for the community to enjoy for years to come.



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

From left: Coun. Chak Au, Coun. Michael Wolfe, Coun. Andy Hobbs, Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Musqueam artist Debra Sparrow, Coun. Bill McNulty, and Coun.Alexa Loo

#### Artist Bio:

Debra Sparrow was born and raised on the Musqueam Indian Reserve and is self-taught in Salish design and jewellery making. Her contemporary work combines textile and Salish design into geometric, hand-spun blankets and hangings that are found in many museums and institutions including Vancouver International Airport, the Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa, and the University of British Columbia.

## Richmond to receive new \$175 million district energy expansion project

A new district energy expansion project is coming to Richmond as part of a partnership between the Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB), Lulu Island Energy Company (LIEC), and Corix Infrastructure

"The benefits of this expansion will be realized not only by the residents and businesses connected to the utility, but the entire community as it will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by an estimated one million tonnes when completed," says Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "District energy is a key pillar for achieving Richmond's short- and longterm community greenhouse gas emission reduction goals as well as the delivery of efficient, sustainable, and environmentally friendly energy for the community."

The CIB will provide \$175 million in financing for the LIEC City Centre District Energy Utility project. It will enable expansion to more than 170 new residential and mixed-use commercial development sites in the area by 2050, using low-carbon heat recovered from the Gilbert Road regional sewer system.

When complete, the project is expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by one million tonnes by 2050, with the amount of connected space to the district energy system increasing 10-fold to 50

The LIEC is a municipal corporation wholly owned by the City of Richmond. It was established to implement and operate district energy utility systems in Richmond's city centre area.

Corix will provide expertise in district energy management and be responsible for the design, construction, financing, operations, and maintenance of the city centre system. Corix has been LIEC's partner since 2014 in the delivery of the Oval Village District Energy Utility under a previous agreement.

District energy systems leverage proven technology to create a long-term reliable, efficient, and cost-effective energy distribution network. Through a system of underground pipes, energy stored in water from central energy plants is transported to buildings, alleviating the need for separate heating and cooling systems in connected buildings.

This financing will support the city in meeting its Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP) 2050 goals to achieve a 50 per cent reduction in community GHG emissions by 2030 and net zero emissions by 2050. The project also supports the city's goal to provide low-carbon energy services to customers that is competitive with conventional heating and cooling costs.



Photo courtesy @RITERichmond on Twitter RITE Richmond and Richmond Citizens (RCA) have joined forces.

## Two parties join forces for municipal election

 $R^{\rm ITE}$  Richmond and Richmond Citizens (RCA) are joining forces in advance of the Oct. 15 municipal election.

RITE Richmond has five candidates: John Roston for mayor and Carol Day, Jerome Dickey, Laura Gillanders, and Michael Wolfe for councillor. RCA has four candidates for councillor: Mark Lee, Keefer Pelech, Jack Trovato, and Fipe Wong.

"This is a coalition of progressive citizens who want to see a city council that works on behalf of all of Richmond's residents," says Roston.

Incumbent councillor Day says the current city councillors from these two parties have fought against the building of mega mansions on farmland and the development of the Garden City Lands and lobbied for a new hospital tower.

"Together, we will create a formidable council that will bring more government transparency and a commitment to working on the housing crisis and the local effects of climate change," says Trovato.

There are five other slates of candidates running: One Richmond (two councillor candidates), Richmond Community Coalition Association (three councillor candidates and four school board trustee candidates), Richmond Education Party (six school board trustee candidates), Richmond RISE (two councillor candidates), and Richmond United (three councillor candidates and one school board trustee candidate). The remaining candidates are running independently.



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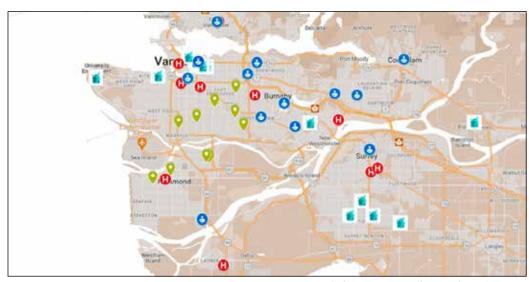
## Businesses encouraged to support Safe Hubs program

The Safe Hubs program is calling upon Richmond businesses to help make the community safer.

Safe Hubs, launched in 2020, is a partnership between two youth-led non-profits, BOLT Safety Society and For the Menstruator. The program aims to create a network of safe spaces, in partnership with local businesses, where people can escape after a crisis or traumatic event such as being as-

BOLT Safety Society was founded by then-high school students who made a presentation to Richmond's community safety committee early this year aiming to partner with the city and eventually others across Canada. The organization is working towards ending violence, harassment, and abuse. For The Menstruator aims to create a world of menstrual equity.

"Every person in Richmond has the right to feel safe, but each individual also holds the responsibility of fostering a safer and more respectful community," says Vedanshi Vala, BOLT Safety Society co-founder and executive director and a Richmond resident "The Safe Hubs team calls upon Richmond businesses to step up courageously by joining our network of safe spaces. We ask individual Richmondites to share the resources made available on the BOLT Safety digital platform, and take a stand against violence, harass-



Screen grab from BOLT Safety Safe Hubs map

There are 17 locations participating in the Safe Hubs program so far, but organizers want more businesses to become part of the network.

ment, and abuse."

The promotion of Safe Hubs was motivated by a recent series of attacks in Vancouver, which invokes anxiety and apprehension within the community" according to a Safe Hubs news release.

Safe Hubs currently has 17 locations within and beyond the Metro Vancouver region. Nearby locations can be found on the program's website, along with additional support like shelter resources, self-defence tips, and other programs.

"The City of Richmond's vision statement is 'honesty, integrity, and respect,' which speaks to an underlying culture in Richmond that values safety and equity," says Vala. "Collectively, individuals and businesses in Richmond can truly make a meaningful difference."

For more information, visit boltsafety.org/safe



### Why I'm Running for Mayor

"Being Mayor is not a job. It's a deep, personal commitment for me."

- I am honoured to have served as your Mayor since 2001—we have faced many challenges, and have recognized and achieved so much together as a community.
- And while the City has improved with its quality of life, job creation, managed growth, environmental health and cultural diversity, we still face many challenges and opportunities to be even better.
- I'm running again—to help our City grow responsibly, affordably, and sustainably—and still maintain the safe, high quality of life in a City that is managed well now and for future generations.



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## Pilot project for seniors launches in Richmond

Chinese seniors in Richmond will benefit from improved community connections, health, and wellness with the help of a new community connector program piloted by Vancouver Coastal Health and S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

The S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Integrated Community Services for Seniors project will create a hub to help Chinese seniors age well at home by connecting them to community information on health and social services in Richmond. This ensures older adults aged 65-plus can access the right service at the right time.

"S.U.C.C.E.S.S. is always looking for new ways to bring access to culturally appropriate care to our communities. It is critical that we directly connect with seniors in a meaningful way in order to reduce their isolation and give them the tools and support to age better in place," said Queenie Choo, chief executive officer of S.U.C.C.E.S.S. and S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation.

#### **Asphalt Paving Advisory**

February 1st to November 30th, 2022

The City of Richmond has contracted Lafarge Canada Inc. to grind and pave the following locations in Richmond from February 1st to November 30th, 2022:

PROPOSED 2021 PAVING LOCAT	TION DETAILS
Bridgeport Road to Knight Street	East north loop
Bridgeport Road to Knight Street	East south loop
Knight Street East South	50 m north of bridge deck
Knight Street to Bridgeport Road	Northeast off ramp
12000 -13000 block Steveston Highway	Hwy 99 off Ramp – Palmberg Road
11000 block Bridgeport Road	Shell Road – No. 5 Road
No. 6 Road	Hwy 91 underpass – Maycrest Way
9000 block Cambie Road	Garden City Road – No. 4 Road
Great Canadian Way	Sea Island Way – Bridgeport Road
4151 Williams Road	100 m section
9000 block Francis Road	Garden City Road – No. 4 Road
Fraserwood Place	Westminster Hwy – Gordon Way
Vickers Way	Bridgeport Road – Sweden Way
Westminster Hwy	No. 8 Road – Nelson Road
Ferguson Road	Shannon Road – McDonald Road
Kwantlen Street	Alderbridge Way – Alexandra Road
Finlayson Drive	Gagnon Place – McLennan Avenue
5000 - 6000 block Granville Avenue	Railway Avenue – Gilbert Road
	emergency repairs
Burkeville subdivision	Roads impacted by Capital Projects only
No. 5 Road / North of Cambie Road	Mitchel Elementary School frontage
7411 No. 1 Road	South bound lanes only
Garden City Road – Cook Road	Intersection
No. 3 Road	Bridgeport Road – River Road
6000 block No. 1 Road	Westminster Hwy – Granville Avenue
3000 block Blundell Road	No. 1 Road – Seafair Drive

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 a 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 > 2021 Paving Program).

www.richmond.ca







Bilingual community connectors who speak English and Chinese will be based at S.U.C.C.E.S.S.' assisted living facility, Austin Harris Residence on Moncton Road in Richmond. They will provide outreach, referrals, and support for seniors who are vulnerable due to frailty, a lack of family physician, language, or cultural barriers, and those who cope with mental health or dementia and who have little access to a caregiver or local support.

"Richmond has an active seniors population and this program will help to improve their quality of life further," said Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "It will provide important access to services that respect cultural backgrounds, so our seniors will be able to continue to live independently and enjoy connections that keep them well."

This one-year pilot project community service will assist eligible seniors to coordinate a variety of services: Meals on Wheels, the Better at Home program, home care, health care, dementia care, palliative care, housing assisted living and long term care, settlement services, transportation, socialization and adult day programs, chronic disease and medication management, mental health and wellness supports, and more.

"The Inter-Cultural Online Health Network (iCON) of the UBC Digital Emergency Medicine Unit congratulates S.U.C.C.E.S.S. in spearheading this innovative pilot program," said Dr. Kendall Ho, executive director of iCON and professor of emergency medicine at the University of British Columbia. "We welcome our ongoing and fruitful collaboration with S.U.C.C.E.S.S. in serving our Richmond Chinese seniors to support their health and wellness."

To learn more about this program or to refer a senior, contact Betty Liang at betty.liang@success.bc.ca or call 604-241-8222.



Photo courtesy S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

Vancouver Coastal Health and S.U.C.C.E.S.S. are launching a new program to help Chinese seniors in Richmond.

## Small grant applications open

Throughout Richmond this summer, dozens of fun, creative, inclusive community projects helped bring neighbours together thanks to Neighbourhood Small Grants.

Residents in one neighbourhood held a swap meet, trading items they no longer needed for new treasures. Elsewhere, Birchwood Estates played host to a nature-themed scavenger hunt, with a community barbecue afterwards.

For her project, science illustrator Bea Martin invited residents to Richmond's bountiful community gardens, where she taught them how to draw fruits, flowers, and pollinators.

The Neighbourhood Small Grants program is a partnership with Richmond Cares, Richmond Gives. Applications for the fall granting period are open until Oct. 21. People can apply for up to \$500 to complete a community project. A second funding stream just for youth is available to applicants between the ages of 12 and 24.

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Photos by Hannah Scott

Richmond school board trustees, staff, and local dignitaries gathered recently to mark the official opening of the district's new adult education centre in the old Mitchell elementary annex.

# Richmond's new adult education centre opens

By **HANNAH SCOTT** Reporter

The Richmond School District is celebrating an exciting milestone: the opening of its new adult education centre.

Located in the old Mitchell elementary annex, the school has seven classrooms and two dedicated computer labs to help facilitate blended learning programs. There is also ample office space, enabling the district's continuing education staff to work together on-site.

"The board is proud to open this centre for the benefit of the whole community," said board chair Sandra Nixon at the official opening on Sept. 28.

Nixon said prior to this year, the district's adult education programs were spread out and took place at multiple sites. Now, most adult education programs will be offered at the new location, which was completed on time and within its \$2.5 million budget funded by the district's capital reserves.

Jason Higo, the district's administrator of continuing education, said right now one of the oldest students is 86. Students' reasons for attending courses range from completing their Dogwood Diploma to improving literacy skills or improving grades in courses needed for post-secondary study. Courses are free for most students.

One of the speakers at the event was a former student at Sea Island continuing education, Megan Tumeh. After withdrawing from high school due to a mental health crisis, she was glad to be able to earn her diploma quickly through Richmond's adult education options.

"The courses are designed to waste little time," said Tumeh.

Teachers are knowledgeable, and courses are fun and engaging, she added. Students are able to work at their own pace.

Richmond's adult education centre is located at 12091 Cambie Rd. For more information, visit ce.sd38.bc.ca/.

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#### NOTICE OF ELECTION

## 2022 Richmond Election

On Saturday, October 15, 2022, eligible voters in Richmond will be electing one Mayor, eight Councillors, and seven School Trustees. Those elected in October 2022 will serve in office for four years.

#### Are you eligible to vote?

#### You may vote as a resident elector if you:

- are a Canadian citizen
- are at least 18 years old on General Voting Day (Saturday, October 15, 2022)
- are a resident of Richmond
- have lived in British Columbia for at least six months before registering to vote
- are not disqualified from voting by law

#### **Non-Resident Property Elector**

If you own property in Richmond, but do not live in the City, you may be eligible to vote in the 2022 Richmond Election, Visit richmond, ca/elections to find out more

#### When and where can you vote?

#### There are three ways you can vote:

#### 1. General Voting Day

General Voting Day is on Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Voting divisions will be used on General Voting Day, which means that you must vote at your designated neighbourhood voting place for your division. If you're a non-resident property elector voting on October 15, you must vote at the designated neighbourhood voting place for the division in which your property is located.

Registered voters will receive a voter card in the mail that will indicate your designated voting place for October 15. A voter card is not necessary to vote. If you did not receive a voter card, you may find out where to vote at richmond.ca/elections, download the Richmond Election app (available on Apple and Android devices), or contact the Richmond Elections Office.

#### Sample voter card



#### **GENERAL VOTING DAY**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 15, 2022 8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

VOTE AT

To make your voting experience easier and faster, bring this card and two pieces of ID with you when you This voter card cannot be used as ID for mail ballot package applications.

Please come to your voting place prepared. Bring your voter card if you received one, as well as two pieces of ID. One piece must include your signature.



#### The voting places for General Voting Day are:

#### RICHMOND - CENTRE (RC)

RC01 Spul'u'kwuks Elementary School: 5999 Blanshard Dr RC02 Quilchena Elementary School: 3760 Moresby Dr

RC03 Gilmore Elementary School: 8380 Elsmore Rd

RC04 Grauer Elementary School: 4440 Blundell Rd

RC05 Burnett Secondary School: 5011 Granville Avenue

RC06 McKay Elementary School: 7360 Lombard Rd

RC07 Brighouse Elementary School: 6800 Azure Rd

RC08 Kiwanis Towers: 7378 Gollner Avenue

RC09 Richmond Cultural Centre: 7700 Minoru Gate

RC10 Talmey Elementary School: 9500 Kilby Dr RC11 Tomsett Elementary School: 9671 Odlin Rd

RC12 Anderson Elementary School: 9460 Alberta Rd

RC13 Sea Island Community Centre: 7140 Miller Road

RC14 MacNeill Secondary School: 6611 No. 4 Rd

RC15 Kwantlen Polytechnic University: 8771 Lansdowne Rd

RC16 City Centre Community Centre: 5900 Minoru Blvd

#### RICHMOND - EAST (RE)

RE01 General Currie Elementary School: 8220 General Currie Rd

RE02 Palmer Secondary School: 8160 St. Albans Rd

RE03 Walter Lee Elementary School: 9491 Ash St

RE04 Debeck Elementary School: 8600 Ash St

RE05 Tait Elementary School: 10071 Finlayson Dr

RE06 Kate McNeely Elementary School: 12440 Woodhead Rd

RE07 Kingswood Elementary School: 11511 King Rd

RE08 McRoberts Secondary School: 8980 Williams Rd RE09 McNair Secondary School: 9500 No. 4 Rd

RE10 Woodward Elementary School: 10300 Seacote Rd

RE11 Hamilton Elementary School: 5180 Smith Dr

#### **RICHMOND - SOUTH (RS)**

RS01 Dixon Elementary School: 9331 Diamond Rd

RS02 Manoah Steves Elementary School: 10111 Fourth Ave

RS03 Lord Byng Elementary School: 3711 Georgia St

RS04 Diefenbaker Elementary School: 4511 Hermitage Dr

RS05 Homma Elementary School: 5100 Brunswick Dr RS06 Wowk Elementary School: 5380 Woodwards Rd

RS07 Steveston-London Secondary School: 6600 Williams Rd

RS08 Westwind Elementary School: 11371 Kingfisher Dr

RS09 Blundell Elementary School: 6480 Blundell Rd

RS10 Maple Lane Elementary School: 7671 Alouette Dr

RS11 McMath Secondary School: 4251 Garry St

#### 2. Advance Voting Days

Vote on any of the following days and at any of the following locations between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.:

#### Saturday, October 1

Richmond City Hall: 6911 No. 3 Rd

#### Wednesday, October 5

Richmond City Hall: 6911 No. 3 Rd

#### Thursday, October 6

Richmond City Hall: 6911 No. 3 Rd

Kwantlen Polytechnic University: 8771 Lansdowne Rd

#### Friday, October 7

Richmond City Hall: 6911 No. 3 Rd

#### Saturday, October 8

Richmond City Hall: 6911 No. 3 Rd Burnett Secondary School: 5011 Granville Ave Cambie Secondary School: 4151 Jacombs Rd McMath Secondary School: 4251 Garry St McRoberts Secondary School: 8980 Williams Rd

#### 3. Mail Ballot

All existing voters and new registrants will be able to request a mail ballot package. The mail ballot package will include instructions on how to complete and return the mail ballot. Applications for a mail ballot will be available online beginning Wednesday, September 7 until Friday, October 7, 2022, 3:00 p.m. After this date, mail ballot packages can be requested over the phone. Mail ballot packages will be sent out via Canada Post until October 5, 2022. After this date, voters will be asked to pick up their mail ballot packages at Richmond City Hall.

Find out how to request a mail ballot package at richmond.ca/elections, download the Richmond Election app when available or contact the Richmond Elections Office.

#### How do you register to vote?

First, find out if you are already registered to vote in the 2022 Richmond Election by visiting richmond.ca/elections, checking the Richmond Election app, or contacting the Elections Office.

You can register to vote at your voting place. Please bring at least two valid IDs (identification documents) with you.

If you are a non-resident property elector, please contact the Richmond Elections Office.

#### **Examples of acceptable ID** (not limited to these):

- BC Driver's Licence
- BC Identification card issued by ICBC
- BC Services Card (includes both non-photo BC Services Card or photo BC Services Card)
- Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence issued by ICBC
- BC CareCard or BC Gold CareCard
- Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8 ("Monthly Form EA181")
- Social Insurance Number card
- Canadian Citizenship Card
- Property tax notice
- Credit card or debit card
- Utility bill (including electricity, natural gas, water, telephone services, cable services)
- Birth Certificate
- Canadian Passport
- A Certificate of Indian Status
- Old Age Security Identification card
- Canadian Forces Photo ID





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#### What are the options for accessible voting?

If you are a person who has a disability; illness; and/or injury that may affect your ability to vote, you may:

- Bring a friend or family member to assist you with reading or marking your ballot.
- · Request to vote by mail.
- Request to use an accessible ballot-marking device available at Richmond City Hall on advance voting dates. Through this option, you may mark your ballot independently using a touchscreen, Braille, rocker paddle device, sip and puff device, and/or descriptive audio.
- · Request to have curb-side voting at the voting place. Call the Richmond Elections Office at 604-276-4100 right before you arrive at your voting place.

We strive to ensure that voting locations are accessible for people who use wheelchairs, walkers and mobility scooters; however some locations are not fully accessible. We will ensure curb-side voting is well signed at locations that are not fully accessible.

#### What if you need help with translation?

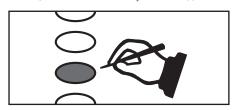
If you need help with translation, you may:

- Bring a friend or family member who will translate for you when you vote.
- · Use the translated voting instructions at your voting place available in French, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, and Punjabi.
- Read voting information in the Voter's Guides translated in French, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, and Punjabi available at richmond.ca/ elections

Ballots are only available in English.

#### How do you mark your ballot?

To vote, fill in the oval beside your choice(s).



#### Contact the Richmond **Elections Office**

Richmond City Hall, 6911 No. 3 Road

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (weekdays by appointment only, closed on statutory holidays)

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#### THE BALLOT

At the voting place, you will receive a ballot. This is not an exact replica of the ballot.

#### **OFFICE OF MAYOR**

Vote for not more than One (1)

Malcolm BRODIE **RICHMOND** Wei Ping CHEN RICHMOND

RITE Richmond John ROSTON

**RICHMOND** 

#### **OFFICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE**

Vote for not more than Seven (7)

RCCA-Richmond Rod BELLEZA Community **RICHMOND** Coalition Dean BILLINGS **RICHMOND** Richmond Education Chris DINNELL **RICHMOND** Kay HALE **RICHMOND** Richmond Education Ken HAMAGUCHI **RICHMOND** Richmond Education **Heather LARSON** Party RICHMOND Richard LEE VANCOUVER RCCA-Richmond Linda LI Community RICHMOND Coalition RCCA-Richmond Rachel LING Community **RICHMOND** Coalition Rajan PAUL RICHMOND Richmond United Donna SARGENT RICHMOND Richmond Education Andrew SCALLION Party **RICHMOND** Richmond Education Debbie TABLOTNEY 0 Party **RICHMOND** 

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, each candidate's city of residence is noted below the candidate's name in this Notice of Election.

#### OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

Vote for not more than Eight (8)		
RCCA—Richmond Community Coalition	Chak AU RICHMOND	0
	Adil AWAN RICHMOND	0
	Chai CHUNG RICHMOND	0
Richmond RISE	Derek DANG RICHMOND	0
RITE Richmond	Carol DAY RICHMOND	0
RITE Richmond	Jerome DICKEY RICHMOND	0
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## ParaTough Cup taking place Oct. 21

By **MATTHEW CHEUNG**Reporter

The ParaTough Cup will take place on Oct. 21 at the Richmond Olympic Oval. In teams of six, participants will compete against others in three different sports: wheelchair basketball, sitting volleyball, and Para ice hockey. There will also be an opportunity for participants to meet Paralympic athletes.

Funds raised through the event support the Paralympic Foundation of Canada. Although the event is mainly for corporate or company teams, any six people can get together and participate in the event.

"One thing that inspires people to participate is competition; we built the event to be competitive," says Dean Brokop, director of the Paralympic Foundation of Canada. "The second thing that inspires people to participate is the chance to learn more about disability, and being more aware of it has been an important topic. We have seen so many people who just want to make a difference."

This is the first event since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and organizers are excited to be able to host it again.

"It's going to be great to have the event again. We hope to see some familiar faces from the past," says Brokop. "Whenever people attend our event, they always leave amazed by both how fun it is and how hard it is to play the sports."

The ParaTough Cup started in Toronto in 2017 as a regular event and blossomed into a four-city event that has raised more than \$1 million to date.

Since then, funds have been used to focus on three areas that have helped the program grow. Para sport and early athlete development supports community level opportunities across Canada, next generation programming for Canada's aspiring Paralympians, and high-performance programs for athletes who represent Canada on the world stage.

"Aside from money, we've underestimated the impact it would have on peo-



Photo by Bob Frid

Participants at the 2019 ParaTough Cup try out Para ice hockey.

ple participating. In Vancouver, the Pfizer team came up to us and said it was so awesome that we were hosting this event, as they were thrilled (to be) able to play a role in supporting the Paralympic movement," says Brokop.

Teams who are victorious in their matches will be awarded points, bringing them closer to winning the ParaTough Cup.

In addition to this, the event's fundraisers will also have an opportunity to win a \$1,000 gift card from the title sponsor, Petro-Canada.

For more information, visit paratoughcup.ca

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## **Asphalt Paving Advisory**

#### September 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023

The City of Richmond has contracted Jack Cewe Construction Ltd. to grind and pave the following locations in Richmond from September 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023.

#### **PROPOSED 2022 PAVING LOCATION DETAILS**

No 5 Road - North of Cambie Road

(Mitchell Elementary School Frontage) Vibrations

7411 No 1 Road - Vibrations

7000 Block No 3 Road

(Granville Avenue - Blundell Road)

Great Canadian Way - River Road - Bridgeport Road

Minoru Blvd

(Lansdowne Road - Alderbridge Way)

Dyke Road

(Trites Road - No 2 Road)

11000 Block Steveston Hwy

(Shell Road - Coppersmith Place)

Westminster Hwy

(Gilley Road - Boundary Road)

18000 Block River Road

(No 8 Road - Nelson Road)

River Drive WBL

(No 4 Road - Van Horne Way)

Mitchell Road

(120 m south of Eburne Way - Twigg Place - EOP East end)

12000 Block Blundell Road

(No 5 Road - Sidaway Road)

6000 - 7000 Block Nelson Road

(Westminster Hwy - CN Tracks)

**Nelson Road** 

(CN Tracks - Dyke Road)

Douglas Crescent + Wellington Crescent + Wellington Avenue + Handley Avenue + Catalina Crescent Anson Ave

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 web page at www.richmond.ca/services/ rdws/projects/pavingprogram.

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Photo submitted

Jason Qiu is a Richmond-based singer-songwriter.

## Local singer-songwriter performing at festival

By **HANNAH SCOTT** Reporter

merging musician Jason Qiu has been writing music since he was 17. An alumnus of Hamilton elementary and Cambie secondary schools, Qiu is raising his two kids in Richmond after returning in 2017.

"It was sort of a rebellion against my classical music training," he adds. "My brother and I both studied piano since we were four years old."

A passion for writing lyrics and singing brought Qiu back to music. After being in a band until 2010, then stepping away, in 2019 he resumed writing and started performing as a soloist.

Pain is a source of inspiration for Qiu, who says feeling and working through pain is where life lessons are learned. His latest EP Lone Wolf includes songs in both English and Cantonese. Although he doesn't have full native fluency in Chinese, and enlists other writers to help write lyrics, Qiu enjoys celebrating his background and the music he grew up with.

"When I'm performing in Chinese, especially when I play certain venues like the (Richmond) Night Market where there are a lot of Asian visitors, I think it helps me get closer to them, and to find an audience," he says. "Some people who are only English speakers gravitate towards my music in Chinese because they're not only listening to the words but the emo-

When he performs, Qiu likes being able to connect with people. The feeling that his music is bigger than himself motivates him to continue.

"I don't consider myself a professional musician. I'm hoping that one day I can stand up and tell people this is what I do full-time—I hope one day there's a way for me to do it as a living," he says.

Qiu is performing at the Vancouver Outsider Arts Festival on Oct. 15. As a slightly older emerging artist—Qiu turns 40 this month—he appreciates this platform for artists who identify as an outsider in some way.

"The message I get from potential sponsors and society at large is (that) once you're past a certain age you're no longer an emerging artist. I don't think there should be an expiry date on someone's passions and dreams."

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- Introduce Textile Recycling Program for Greener City
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## World-class guitarist back on tour

By JIM GORDON & LEETA LIEPINS Contributors

on Alder is an award-winning world class Canadian finger-style guitarist who has been playing since he was 11 years old. Alder is also a singer, songwriter, composer, and public speaker.

In 2022, as part of the celebrations in honour of Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee, Lt-Gov. Janet Austin named Alder one of the recipients of the Lieutenant Governor's Arts and Music Awards. Alder was previously a StarMeritus inductee into the BC Entertainment Hall of Fame. The Our City Tonight team recently sat down with Alder to discuss his

OCT: COVID-19 hit us all hard and presented so many challenges. What have you been doing during and after the pandemic?

DA: During the pandemic there was lots of isolation and lots of eating. But it was a positive time for me because I was primarily doing only instrumentals on my CDs, and I have tons of old songs that I have never released that are singer-songwriter tunes. This time gave me the opportunity to dive in and look for band members, and by the time we were done we had 30 local and international musicians playing on the new CD (Won't Be Home).

OCT: You are certainly no stranger to touring, and now that the world is opening up globally

(we understand) you will be going back on tour, touring in Europe and primarily Germany.

DA: Mostly we will be touring in Germany, but we also have several dates in the Netherlands as well as a stop in France. Each year we try to spread out a little bit but obviously COVID-19 made it more difficult these last couple years. I was extremely fortunate in February to be able to go to Germany for a couple of months. That worked out well, although attendance was down a little bit, and we do hope that attendance will be up now. I'm really looking forward to getting back on the

OCT: For those who are not familiar with your style of guitar playing, can you describe it for us?

DA: It's like a little kid that has been in a bedroom locked up with a guitar for a long time. Actually, it is called "finger style" but that's a generic term because you've got classical, you've got flamenco, to just name a few. Like anything on this planet, it keeps evolving and so does acous-



Photo courtesy Don Alder

Canadian guitarist Don Alder is currently touring in Europe.



tic guitar. The finger style has taken whole new leaps and bounds. In the old days a player would just work their left hand with the right hand. Nowadays, most guitar players doing instrumentals are acting like piano players and even adding percussion where there's multiple parts going on. I find it a lot of fun.

OCT: You (won) Guitar Idol in London, England, even with a damaged guitar—it's a very cool

DA: That was fun. This contest was worldwide, and I had (sent) a submission. Oddly with this one it started off with popular votes and I went back and looked after a couple of weeks as I had submitted late. I had a lower popular vote posted but I thought I was doing okay. When I looked at the other guys that had submitted, they had a significant amount more of the popular votes. I figured there was no way I was getting in. The interesting part is the judges of the contest had reserved one or two spots in the contest for who they thought should be in. And that

was my entry into the contest, they chose me, and I got to go live. I had a terrible sounding stage but I told the sound guy to crank it up and then they handed me the top prize at the end of it all.

OCT: Your skills have been recognized throughout the music industry—in fact, you've had several guitars manufactured and dedicated to you as signature models. Can you describe these guitars?

DA: I had one back in 2005, a Luthier Michael Greenfield guitar which is Canadian made. Recently, one was made by a company called Mayson Guitar Company out of China. They made a special signature guitar where the frets are not normal, they're actually angled. This shape gives you a completely different pallet of colours to work with. It is called the Signature Don Alder "Duke" Model. They also put my initials on the guitar, so that was nice.

To watch the full video interview, visit richmondsentinel.ca/videos Jim Gordon and Leeta Liepins are contributing writers to the Richmond Sentinel.

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## Casablanca unexpected blockbuster success

By **SAMUEL CHENG**Reporter

In the next part of a series on movies, we explore 1942's Casablanca.

The 1942 film *Casablanca* is centred around the themes of history, romance, and drama.

The movie was directed by Michael Curtiz with a screenplay by Julius and Philip Epstein and Howard Koch. The film stars Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, and Paul Henreid

Despite its star-studded cast and talented writers, the film was not expected to be a blowout blockbuster movie. The film was even rushed into release to try to take advantage of the publicity of the Allied invasion of North Africa at the time.

However, after the movie premiered on Nov. 26, 1942, it blew all expectations out of the water.

Casablanca won Academy Awards for Best Picture and Best Adapted Screenplay. Its reputation



Photo via flickr.com

 ${\it Casablanca}$  was released 80 years ago and still appears on must-watch movie lists today.

began to build, and it went on to consistently appear on lists of must-watch movies of all time.

Numerous elements contributed to the movie's resounding success including the storyline, the soundtrack, and the cinematography.

The movie is set during the Second World War,

which is also when filming took place. The movie uses metaphors to illustrate the events that were happening during its time.

For example, Casablanca, a chaotic city with refugees, symbolizes the state of the world in the midst of the war. Rick Blaine, played by Bogart, tries to remain neutral. He represents the United States during its time of isolation and non-intervention.

During the honeymoon phase of Blaine and Ilsa Lund's relationship, it is described as affectionate and loving. It symbolizes the peaceful times before the war broke out.

The film reflects upon the world that its audiences were living in. As a result, no one knew what would happen or how the plot would end; real-life events were playing out on

screen.

Casablanca also contains many quotes still used today including "round up the usual suspects," "play as time goes by," and "here's looking at you kid."

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A friend told me about the Maples. I came for a tour and never looked anywhere else.

I was living in a condo in Steveston and watched the building being built.

I was a recent widow and it was very nice to make new friends. There's lots of entertainment, bus trips, movie nights, exercise classes and more that you can join if you want.

My favourite thing about the Maples is the people, they are friendly and we all get along well.

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