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- ▶ **Trick-or-treat opportunities**
- ▶ **Spooky Skele-bration at South Arm Community Centre**
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Richmond election results in minimal change



Photo by Hannah Scott

Richmondites have spoken and elected a mayor, eight councillors, and seven school board trustees.

By **HANNAH SCOTT**
Reporter

Jesson on Oct. 19.

All six incumbent councillors who were seeking re-election—Chak Au, Carol Day, Andy Hobbs, Alexa Loo, Bill McNulty, and Michael Wolfe—again found success, with new councillors Laura Gillanders and Kash Heed also winning seats.

Richmond has chosen a new council, although with many familiar faces.

Results of the Oct. 15 election were made official by Richmond's chief election officer Claudia

The new councillors represent five slates: Au is part of RCCA—Richmond Community Coalition; Day, Gillanders, and Wolfe are part of RITE Richmond; Loo and McNulty are with ONE Richmond; Heed is part of Richmond RISE; and Hobbs is with Richmond United.

Mayor Malcolm Brodie, the province's longest-serving mayor first elected in 2001, was re-elected as an independent candidate over challengers Wei Ping Chen (independent) and John Roston (RITE Richmond).

The slate of school board trustees also sees some changes. Incumbent trustees Ken Hamaguchi, Heather Larson, Donna Sargent, and Debbie Tablotney will be joined by Rod Belleza and Alice Wong, both of whom were trustees previously, and new trustee David Yang.

The trustees represent three slates: Hamaguchi, Larson, Tablotney, and Yang are part of the Richmond Education Party; Belleza and Wong are with RCCA—Richmond Community Coalition; and Sargent is part of Richmond United.

Incumbent trustees Norm Goldstein and Sandra Nixon did not seek re-election. Incumbent trustee Richard Lee was not re-elected.

Voter turnout for the 2022 municipal election was around 25 per cent, with just over 35,000 ballots cast, according to a news release from the city. Turnout in the 2018 election was almost 37 per cent.

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Ground breaks on new community centre

The journey to the new Steveston Community Centre and library branch is one step closer, as shovels were put into the ground recently to mark the official start of construction for the new building.

"This new facility has been a council priority that reflects the city's commitment to building strong communities and the unique cultural and historical identity of Steveston," said Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "Richmond was recently named B.C.'s most active community, and through projects like this we can continue to bring people together in modern, environmentally-friendly facilities that support healthy lifestyles and active learning."

Among the features of the new three-storey, 5,607 square metre (60,350 square feet) facility will be:

- A community centre with a double gymnasium, fitness centre, active studio, and multipurpose and meeting rooms



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

Ground broke recently on the new Steveston Community Centre and library branch.

- Gathering spaces and a shared community living room
- A library with enhanced collections, children's and youth spaces, educational program rooms, and space for silent study

The design will be innovative, sustainable, inclusive, and a model of wellness, and be based on the guiding principles established for the project, including Richmond's enhanced accessibility design guidelines, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Certification, and the city's circular economy principles and criteria.

The \$90 million Steveston Community Centre and library has

been a city council priority as a major facility project, with site preparation expected to begin at the end of the month. The project is anticipated to be complete by 2026.

For more information, visit richmond.ca/plandev/city-projects/major-facilitiesprojects

Halloween activities in Richmond

There are a number of Halloween-inspired events and activities taking place across Richmond this year.

Leading up to Oct. 31, events across the city include:

- Visiting the *Halloween Hoot* at the Richmond Nature Park to view the Halloween decorations over the Pond Trail, purchase a pumpkin at the pumpkin sale, and get a spooky sketch created by local artist Bea
- Getting active at a Halloween-themed skate in costume at Minoru Arenas
- Listening to spooktacular stories, songs, and rhymes at the Richmond Public Library
- Watching cool science demonstrations by *Science World On the Road* and making some spooky and fun Halloween-themed crafts at Hamilton Community Centre
- Decorating pumpkins with your spookiest designs at Steveston and South Arm community centres

On Halloween night, activities include:

- Halloween hangouts for youth at South Arm and Cambie community centres
- *Magical Potions and Slime Making* workshops at West Richmond Community Centre
- *Spooky Skele-bration* with family-friendly Halloween-themed crafts, games, and roving entertainment at South Arm Community Centre
- *Monster Mash Dance Party* at Cambie Community Centre



Photo courtesy City of Richmond

There are more than 20 Halloween-inspired events taking place in Richmond this year.

- Trick-or-treating at many Richmond community centres
- Visit richmond.ca/halloween for all details, including registering for programs.

City recognized for fleet management

The City of Richmond is cleaning up when it comes to its vehicle fleet management, having again been named as the only municipal recipient of a Platinum rating by the national E3 Fleet program.

E3 Fleet is a program that assists trucking, utility, urban delivery, courier, government, and other fleets to improve their fuel efficiency, reduce emissions, manage expenses, and incorporate new technologies. In place since 2006 but still a unique program, E3 Fleet offers organizations the opportunity to receive Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum ratings based on fleet performance.

Richmond is the only municipality in Canada to receive the Platinum rating with a performance score of 98 points out of 100. This is the second time the city has received coveted Platinum status. The city was first certified Platinum in 2016.

"This certification demonstrates once again how Richmond is a leader in sustainability through its daily operations such as fleet vehicle

management," said Mayor Malcolm Brodie. "The city's Green Fleet Action Plan is aligned with the Community Energy and Emissions Plan 2050, and brings tremendous community benefits through reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and fuel costs."

The city is continuously evaluating technology and looking at opportunities to improve and optimize the performance of its fleet through a variety of initiatives such as:

- Implementing better tracking and analysis of fleet data, including fuel use
- "Right-sizing" the fleet in all vehicle classes (light, medium, and heavy duty) by choosing more efficient vehicles better suited to the task required
- Training staff on fuel management and fuel-efficient driving practices, and implementing an idle reduction program
- Adopting circular economy criteria in all acquisitions

"An E3 Fleet Platinum rating is the highest mark of achievement for fleet management in Canada," said Roger Smith, senior consultant for Fleet Challenge Canada, which manages the E3 Fleet Program. "The City of Richmond has again shown exceptional leadership by earning this rating and raising the bar even higher in scoring than before with this achievement, thanks to an unwavering commitment to making its entire fleet cleaner and more efficient."

Reducing Richmond's corporate fleet emissions as well as encouraging zero carbon transportation is a key component of the Green Fleet Action Plan. The city has installed one EV Fast Charger and 22 level two chargers for its fleet, along with four EV Fast Chargers and 52 level two chargers for the public located throughout Richmond. The city is also retrofitting some vehicles with solar panels, using alternative fuels where possible, and supporting and using car-sharing services.

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Fireworks Festival makes a dazzling return

By MATTHEW CHEUNG
Reporter

The Minoru Halloween Fireworks Festival is returning for the first time since 2019.

The event will take place on the Minoru Track (7191 Granville Ave.) on Oct. 31. The festival will be open from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m., with fireworks beginning at 8:30 p.m.

The main objective of the event is "for people of all ages to enjoy a professional fireworks show in a safe, free, and family-oriented environment," says Clay Adams, the city's director of corporate communications and marketing.

"The event has been in place for several years and is one of the few in the Lower Mainland to feature a fireworks display. The City of Richmond has a history of staging family-friendly events, and this is just another example of that tradition," says Adams.

Normally, the city also hosts fireworks for its Canada Day celebrations, although that fireworks display has been cancelled for the last several years.

Minoru Halloween Fireworks Festival attendees can dress up in spooky costumes and enjoy live music, dancing, roving performers, live performances, and more. There will also be family-friendly activities for children to participate in like face painting and trick-or-treating.

"We are thrilled to once again be able to welcome



The Minoru Fireworks Festival returns this Oct. 31.

Photo courtesy City of Richmond

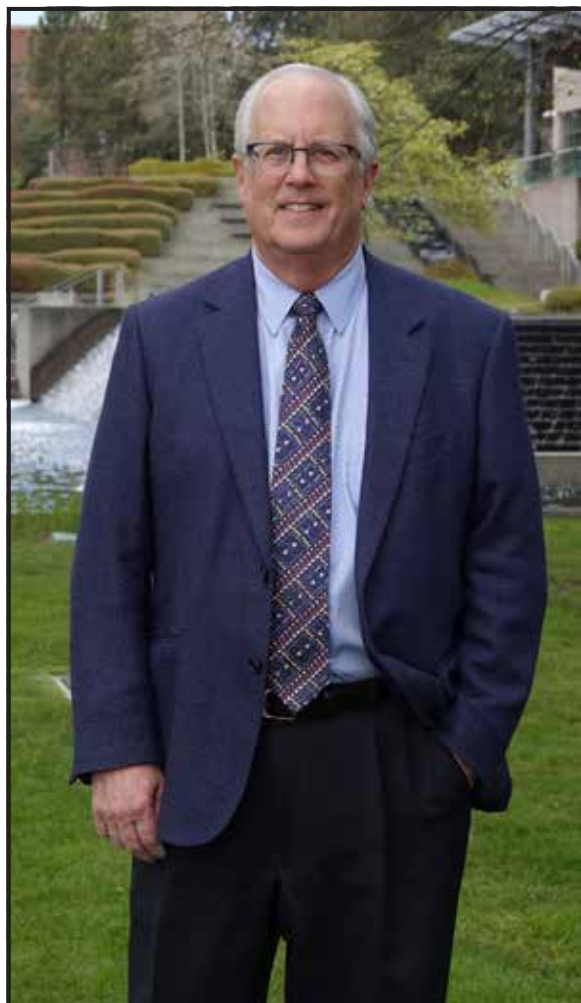
families back to the Halloween Festival. This has always been a popular event and we know it was missed during the pandemic. The city welcomes everyone to come and be a part of the spooky celebrations once again," says Adams.

People are reminded that members of the public are not allowed to possess, buy, sell, or detonate

fireworks in Richmond. Only licensed fireworks supervisors and senior pyrotechnicians can apply for display permits, per the city's Fire Protection and Life Safety Bylaw 8306.

For more information, visit richmond.ca/news/events/richmondcalendar

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Thank You!

Thank you for your support in the October 15, 2022 municipal election. I look forward to serving you for the next four years.


— MALCOLM BRODIE



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Cannery's Halloween event on through Oct. 31

By HANNAH SCOTT
and MATTHEW CHEUNG
Reporters

The Gulf of Georgia Cannery's Haunted Sea event is taking place from Oct. 15 to 31, helping people celebrate Halloween.

"The Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society, as part of our mission, wants to promote initiatives that advocate for the protection of fish, water, land, and our cultural resources. We wanted to refocus our events to make sure they align with our desire to be part of the work in this community that speaks to these aspects, and so *Haunted Sea* was born," explains Krystal Newcombe, the cannery's manager of audience engagement.

Over the years, the event has changed its focus from a fun haunted house to building love and compassion for oceans, says Newcombe.

"As plastic pollution in our oceans is a huge issue, that's where we focused our event, to bring awareness to the problem but also to showcase the beauty of what so many people are trying to protect," says Newcombe.

Amid the pandemic, the event has transformed from a guided tour to a self-guided one, so visitors can set their own pace as they travel through the space.

The cannery is also participating in the Steveston Merchants' Association Trick or Treat event on Halloween (Oct. 31) from 3 to 5 p.m.

For more information, visit gulfofgeorgiacannery.org/events/haunted-sea/



Photo by Hannah Scott

The Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site is hosting its annual Halloween event through Oct. 31.

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 LOCATION 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).

Toy sorters needed for Richmond Christmas Fund

Richmond Cares, Richmond Gives is looking for volunteer toy sorters to help with the annual Richmond Christmas Fund.

Volunteers will help with the following tasks:

- Keeping track of toy donations
- Sorting toys based on categories and sorting into designated staging spaces
- Ensuring donated toys that are put out for distribution are child-appropriate
- Organizing books according to age group
- Packing up and preparing remaining toys for storage following distribution after registration is complete
- Promoting and participating in a welcoming and friendly environment for team members

Volunteers must commit to a minimum of five shifts, about eight to 10 hours. They must also attend an in-person training on Nov. 15, with additional on-site training provided at the beginning of each shift.

Volunteers must be at least 13 years old, and applications must be received by Oct. 31.

For more information, visit rcrg.org/VolunteerNow/positions/toy-sorting-volunteer-christmas-fund-link-to-application-under-what-is-the-posi

Richmond street names: Gilbert, McKenzie roads

By SAMUEL CHENG
Reporter

Gilbert Road and McKenzie Road are named after two historical Richmond residents: Jasper Frederick Gilbert and William Murdock McKenzie.

Gilbert and his wife Sarah Elizabeth moved to Vancouver in 1912 from Kimberley, Ont. About 13 years later, the couple moved to Richmond and built a farm on No. 5 Road. Within the same year, they built their own house between No. 2 and No. 3 roads south of Steveston Highway, then called No. 9 Road.

Gilbert's neighbour McKenzie was a landowner on the south side of Steveston Highway. He settled in Richmond with his wife Florence sometime after they married in 1899. Together, they had two sons and two daughters. McKenzie also served as a Richmond city councillor from 1936 to 1939.

In May 1929, Gilbert and McKenzie petitioned the Richmond city council requesting the naming of the roads next to their respective properties.

McKenzie suggested that the sub-division road on his property running north-south be named McKenzie Road and the road between his property and Gilbert's be named Gilbert Road.

City council approved their request, and those road names remain in use today.

Gilbert passed away on Nov. 9, 1958 aged 74. McKenzie passed away on March 31, 1952.

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Photo courtesy BCLC

Father and son Pui and Shun Chan recently won close to a million dollars from a Lotto Max draw.

Richmond father and son win nearly a million in lottery

Richmond father and son Pui and Shun Chan were thrilled to learn that they had won \$984,940.60 from the Sept. 20 Lotto Max draw.

"We used the Lotto! app to check the ticket," said Pui and Shun. "We have played Lotto Max for about 10 years now—we do Quick Picks."

The two were excited to share the news with their family and are celebrating with a nice family dinner. They said they are surprised and never expected to win.

The Chans purchased the winning

ticket at the Walmart Supercentre on Alderbridge Way.

So far in 2022, B.C. lottery players have redeemed more than \$138 million from Lotto Max. Lotto Max is a nationwide lottery game drawn on Tuesdays and Fridays after 7:30 p.m. (PST).

Players can purchase tickets at lottery retailers or at PlayNow.com. Winning numbers and group release forms can be found online at bcl.com. Players can now check their lottery tickets anytime, anywhere on iOS and Android devices.

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History of the Massey Tunnel

By MATTHEW CHEUNG
Reporter

The George Massey Tunnel is a common avenue of transportation for many people travelling to or through Richmond.

The tunnel was opened by Queen Elizabeth II in July 1959 but had been open to traffic since May of that year. It was originally named the Deas Island Tunnel because it went just past the end of Deas Island.

Prior to the construction of the tunnel, a variety of ferries ran between Ladner and Richmond as far back as the early 1890s. The Union steamship *S.S. Eliza Edwards* provided a daily Vancouver-Steveston-Ladner landing run. Between 1898 and 1900, the *CP Navigation* travelled from Victoria to New Westminster three times weekly and stopped at Lulu Island and Ladner.

Between 1905 and 1909, the 45-passenger *Sonoma* ferry ran twice a day between Ladner and Steveston. From the summer of 1910 until 1914, the *New Delta* ran the route three times daily in the spring and summer and two times in the fall and winter.

In November of 1913, the *Scanlon* established a government ferry service from Ladner to Woodward's Landing, where passengers were carried and the barge transported vehicles and livestock. A smaller tug named the *Linda* took the *Scanlon's* place briefly, travelling six times a day. The larger *Beaver* then replaced the former ferry.

The final ship to run was the *Delta Princess*. The ship had been built in 1949 but was left without a job after the creation of the tunnel. In 1961, the *Delta Princess* was deemed seaworthy and became part of the BC Ferries fleet. The ship saw reduction in use over the years and was mainly used as a relief or spare ship before it was retired in 1996. It is now named the *MV Salt Spring Queen*.

Deas Island was named after John Sullivan Deas, a Black tinsmith who later started a cannery and other buildings prior to the 1873 fishing season. With an early start to the industry, Deas was successful in his operations, but five years later as many as eight canneries had been opened in surrounding areas. He sold his cannery to BC Canning Co. in 1878 and the site was operational until 1909.

The 629-metre-long tunnel is the lowest road in Canada, measuring 22 metres below the Fraser River. It was MLA Nehemiah George Massey who had fought for the tunnel to be built. It started off as a toll tunnel at \$0.50 per trip which is equivalent to \$4.82 in 2022. Tolls had been put in place to pay for the tunnel's construction costs.

The final person to pay the toll was Massey himself, which some called a publicity move to mark the end of tolls in the tunnel. Massey passed away four days later at the age of 60, and the tunnel was renamed after him in 1967.

Regarded by many as an engineering marvel, the tunnel was the first rectangular reinforced concrete immersed traffic tunnel in North America. It is reinforced by six concrete segments that measure 344 feet long and weigh 18,500 tonnes. The tunnel impressed so many that it was also featured in the *Popular Mechanics* paper in 1959.

The original tunnel also featured magnetic traffic detectors along the road surface, speakers every 15 metres (50 feet) to relay messages, 14 cameras monitoring traffic flow, emergency phone booths every 54 metres (177 feet), a sprinkler system, and attendants who worked at either end of the tunnel.

The tunnel is a single tube sub-divided by a concrete wall with two lanes on each side. During normal traffic hours, there are two lanes travelling northbound in the east side and two lanes travelling southbound in the west side.

In 1982, a counterflow system was introduced to meet the increasing traffic demand of the tunnel. In the counterflow system during peak rush traffic peri-



The Massey Tunnel opened in 1959.

Photo by Hannah Scott

ods, a reversible lane system is used. Swing gates deploy to direct traffic in one direction to a single lane, while increasing the other direction to three lanes.

The Massey Tunnel is one of three B.C. passages that uses a counterflow system. The system is in place on weekdays, and times are different depending on the time of year.

Between September and June the counterflow times are 5:45 to 9:30 a.m. and 3 to 6:30 p.m. In July and August, counterflow times are 5:45 to 9 a.m. and 3:15 to 6 p.m.

In the morning there are three lanes travelling north and one lane south on Highway 99. In the afternoon, three lanes are open for southbound traffic and one lane for northbound traffic.

Since the creation of the tunnel, it has undergone multiple renovation projects. Bus stops along the shoulder lanes leading into the tunnel were added to improve transit flow south of the tunnel. A bus-only access ramp was also created from Bridgeport Road to Highway 99 southbound to improve transit access to the highway.

Ground broke recently on a new interchange at Steveston Highway and Highway 99 to accommodate two eastbound lanes and three westbound lanes.

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Airport introduces security reservation program

Vancouver International Airport (YVR) recently introduced YVR EXPRESS, a new program that allows travellers to reserve a spot at the security checkpoint ahead of their flight.

The express bookings will provide a more balanced flow of passengers through security screening at YVR, helping reduce wait times for security checkpoints and creating a more predictable experience for both passengers and staff.

"Innovation continues to be one of our greatest tools to deliver an exceptional experience for our passengers at YVR. We are thrilled to launch YVR EXPRESS, a free digital platform, to help passengers move through security screening more efficiently," said Robyn McVicker, vice-president of passenger journey at Vancouver Airport Authority. "We continue to work with our airport partners to make improvements at YVR and are pleased with the level of collaboration to offer the option of advanced booking for security screening to our passengers."

YVR partnered with Copenhagen Optimization and CLEAR to customize the program and worked with the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority (CATSA) to support implementation. CATSA is the federal crown corporation responsible for all passenger security screening and YVR is committed to supporting the flow of passengers through this critical process.

Through YVR EXPRESS, travellers add their flight information and the number of people in their party. The system automatically displays open booking times to choose from. Once a slot is selected, a QR code is sent via email for the travellers to present to airport staff at the security checkpoint within 15 minutes of their scheduled time.

YVR EXPRESS is free to use and currently available for travel to the U.S. with flights scheduled between 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the airport's E gates. Travellers can schedule their appointment to enter security screening up to 72 hours ahead of their flight's scheduled departure time or when they arrive at the airport, until 90 minutes before flight's scheduled departure time.

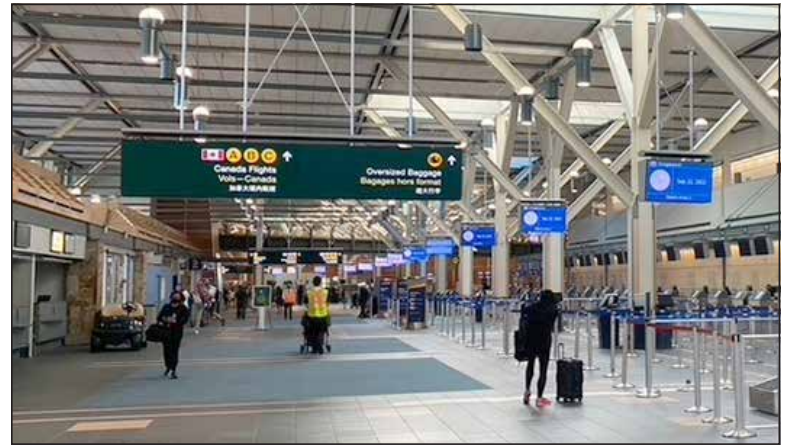


Photo by Hannah Scott

Vancouver International Airport recently introduced a new program to speed up the security screening process by allowing travellers to reserve a spot.

"Working with our partners, we aim to expand YVR EXPRESS to our domestic and international security checkpoints at the airport over the coming months so that all travellers at YVR have more control over their travel journey," said McVicker.

Over the past several months YVR navigated various operational challenges amid increased travel demand and post-pandemic labour shortages. From January compared to August, daily passenger volumes increased approximately 170 per cent at the airport.

To learn more about YVR EXPRESS and to book a spot for security screening for travel to the U.S., visit YVR.ca/express



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Lansdowne Centre's past, present, and future

By **SAMUEL CHENG**
Reporter

Richmond's Lansdowne Centre mall is home to multiple clothing, food, and homeware stores.

But the name Lansdowne predates the current mall. Built in 1924, Lansdowne Centre's predecessor was a horse racing track called Lansdowne Park. It was the second horse racing track in Richmond after Minoru Park was built in 1909.

Its original intention was to get around the provincial government restrictions on the length of the horse racing season, as well as increasing tax revenues for the municipality of Richmond. Needless to say, the establishment of Lansdowne Park was a huge success as it doubled the length of the racing season.

At the time, Richmond was known for industries such as farming, fishing, canning, timber, and manufacturing. The city attracted many workers and industry professionals to work and live in Richmond.

The presence of Lansdowne Park benefitted the city by increasing its revenue, and it also tapped into Richmond's huge potential as a city. It turned Richmond from an industrial-focused city into a culturally diverse entertainment destination.



Screen grab from Google Maps

The current Lansdowne Centre was built in 1977 and is slated for demolition in 2025 to make way for an extensive residential tower project.

Lansdowne Park was forced to cease its operation after the land was bought out by the city in 1958. The horse racing track was turned into a local neighbourhood park until its final transformation nearly two decades later.

In 1977, the current Lansdowne Centre was built. Over the course of many years, multiple stores have come and gone. Many anchoring stores like Earl's, Toys "R" Us, and Best Buy have

remained over the years.

A major redevelopment project was proposed for Lansdowne Centre in 2017. It is an extensive seven-phase plan to revamp and reconstruct the area into multiple residential towers that can house up to 10,000 people.

Demolition of the current mall is scheduled for 2025.

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Richmond company joins circular economy program

Richmond company Liv'Ez Co. has been chosen by Synergy Foundation as part of its Project Zero Incubator.

Synergy Foundation is a Vancouver Island-based non-profit. Project Zero aims to use circular economy concepts to advance quality of life and economic equity.

Project Zero's 2022 cohort includes 18 ventures ranging from sustainable consumer goods and goods repair to upcycled building materials, renewable fuels, carbonless logistics, and circular consultancy organizations. Synergy Foundation provides support to a wide array of entrepreneurs and start-up companies within the circular economy space.

"We are so thrilled and honoured to take part in Project Zero, an incubator which has helped grow popular, B.C.-based circular brands like Bin-Breeze and ShareWares," says Angel Lam, founder and managing director of Liv'Ez Co. "Although we aren't upcycling waste materials like some of our



Photo courtesy Liv'Ez Co.

Liv'Ez Co. is part of the 2022 cohort of Synergy Foundation's Project Zero Incubator, a circular economy program.

cohort-mates, we are proud to create nourishing and long-lasting cosmetics that don't linger or negatively impact our local ecosystems."

Through participating in this incubator, Liv'Ez Co. intends to restructure its business objectives to expand support for and increase the sustainable impact of local boutiques and independently-owned retailers by offering eco-friendly beauty products made with biodegradable, plant-based ingredients. By offering introductory wholesale pricing to Liv'Ez Co.'s science-based skincare and wellness products, local retailers can effectively tap into environmentally conscious consumers while supporting a local brand

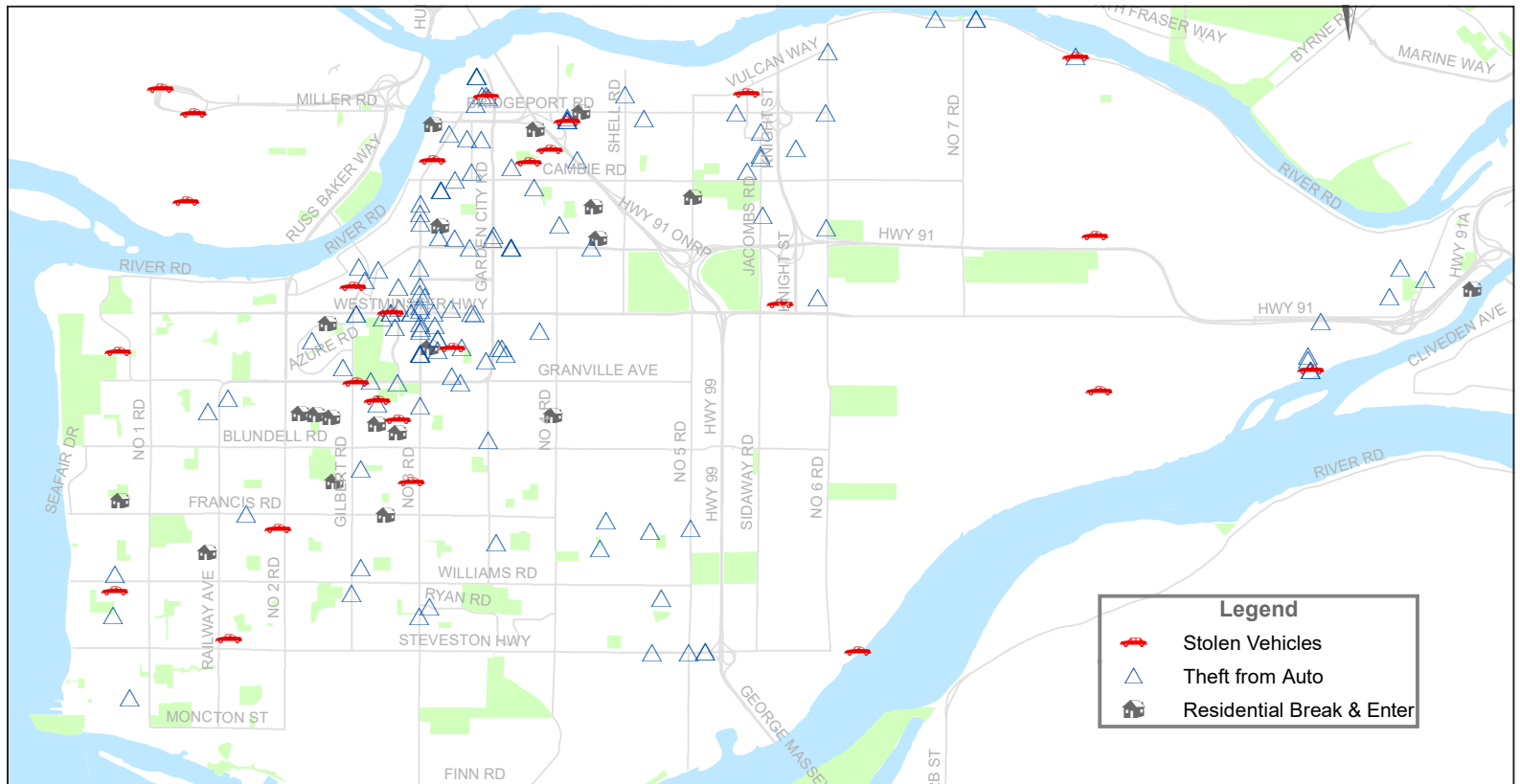
and continuously growing their revenue.

Project Zero's 2022 cohort also includes Ocean Legacy Technology Inc., a Richmond-based non-profit organization that aims to decrease plastic pollution in oceans.



RCMP

Crime Map Sept. 1 - 30, 2022



RCMP officer remembered by colleagues

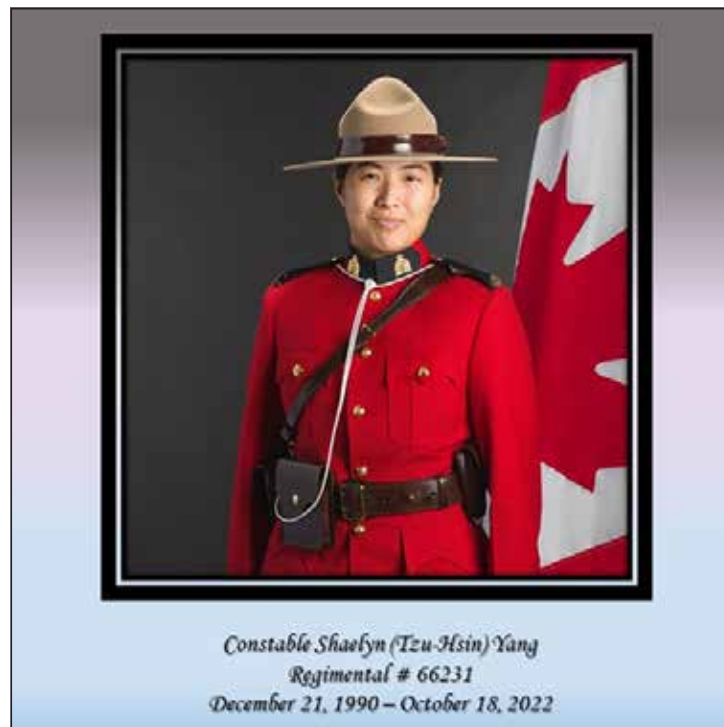
RCMP Const. Shaelyn Yang, a Richmond resident who died after a stabbing incident in Burnaby last week, is being remembered by her colleagues.

"Const. Yang lived in Richmond and was an active volunteer. She started her career volunteering part-time with the Richmond RCMP's victim services unit later as a full-time volunteer," said Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald, BC RCMP Commanding Officer, in a statement.

McDonald said Yang decided to become a police officer in 2019 and began training that June, graduating in December when she was posted to Burnaby detachment. He described her as a loving wife, sister, and daughter.

"Those she worked with before joining the RCMP, and her police colleagues today, describe Const. Yang as a kind and compassionate person, which makes her death even more difficult to accept," said McDonald.

He said Yang was partnered with a City of Burnaby employee and was engaged in her duties at a homeless camp on Gilmore Way just after 11 a.m. An altercation took place and



Burnaby RCMP Const. Shaelyn Yang, a Richmond resident, was killed in the line of duty last week.

Photo courtesy BC RCMP

Yang was fatally stabbed. Despite the best effort of emergency responders who attended the scene, Yang succumbed to her injuries.

The suspect was shot, resulting in non-life threatening injuries.

"The loss of Shaelyn will be felt by so many. Her death impacts her family, friends, the wider RCMP family, and the vulnerable community she so passionately served. Her loss is immeasurable," said McDonald.

Chief Superintendent Graham De La Gorgendiere, Burnaby RCMP Detachment Commander, said Yang was a valued member of Burnaby RCMP's police mental health and homeless outreach team.

"Const. Yang was compassionate and caring—and she brought those skills every day to her job working with our community's most vulnerable, including those experiencing homelessness or mental health issues," said De La Gorgendiere. "Working with mental health and homelessness can be challenging, but Shaelyn embraced it with passion. She found value working with this team and working to help those struggling in our community."

Richmond graduate receives education award

Priya Mahil, a recent graduate from Cambie secondary, is one of three Richmond youth to receive a 2022 Coast Capital Standing Tall Education Award.

Facing various disadvantages throughout her adolescence while living on B.C.'s Indigenous territories, Mahil used her experiences to empower her towards achieving her academic goals. She is pursuing a career in medicine at Langara College, with the hope of becoming an anesthesiologist in remote communities across the province.

"I want to be a part of the solution to healthcare inequity," says Mahil. "Winning the Standing Tall Education Award helps support the long educational journey I have ahead of me. Thanks to Coast Capital, I look forward to one day paying it forward through the work I will do in healthcare, servicing under-resourced communities across B.C. to promote growth and prosperity."

Across the province, 44 youth are recipients of the Coast Capital Standing Tall Education Awards. The awards program aims to support students across the province in their pursuit of post-secondary education by recognizing resilient youth who have risen up against the odds and demonstrated an incredible commitment to continuing their education, instead of solely recognizing academic performance.

"As a social purpose organization, Coast Capital is committed to building



Photo submitted

Richmond's Priya Mahil is a recipient of the 2022 Coast Capital Standing Tall Education Award.

better futures through investing in three key areas that we strongly believe are essential to helping Canadians reach their goals and ultimately realize a better future for themselves and their families," says Maureen Young, vice-president of social purpose at Coast Capital. "One of those areas is focused on driving equitable access to education and training as that is a significant driver in helping individuals unlock financial opportunities. We recognize that access to post-secondary education is not always within financial reach due to systemic inequalities and believe that small steps can help to move the needle. We are committed to contributing to that shift through programs like our Standing Tall Education Awards."

Each \$3,500 prize fund makes the increasing cost of tuition and living expenses more manageable for young people who may not have access to funding through traditional sources such as parents or loan programs. Since its establishment 18 years ago, the program has supported

over 1,000 students in funding their post-secondary studies with an investment of nearly \$2.9 million.

For the first time in the program's history, this year Coast Capital awarded 68 per cent of awards to IBPOC students, in an effort to help break down barriers for these historically marginalized communities.

New mural unveiled at Maple Lane elementary

By HANNAH SCOTT
Reporter

Maple Lane elementary students and staff gathered recently to celebrate the unveiling of a new mural.

The mural is part of the city's Community Mural Program, funded by both the city and community project partners. Maple Lane principal Lisa Schwartz said the mural's inspiration came from local animals and plants. In addition to work by artist Jean Bradbury, it also includes some components painted by students.

"The mural reminds us to take care of nature and animals," said one student at the unveiling ceremony.

Mayor Malcolm Brodie and a number of city councillors were also in attendance and formally unveiled the mural by cutting a ribbon.

For more information on the city's Community Mural Program, visit richmond.ca/culture/publicart/whats-new/communitymural.htm

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Photo by Hannah Scott

Maple Lane elementary's new mural was unveiled recently.

School district library coordinator wins award

By HANNAH SCOTT
Reporter

Rebeca Rubio, the Richmond School District’s coordinator of library and information services, has been recognized with a national library award from Canadian School Libraries.

The Angela Thacker Memorial Award was established in 2001 to honour Angela Thacker, a teacher-librarian and library coordinator who served the Association for Teacher-Librarianship in Canada and the Canada School Library Association in many capacities. The award honours teacher-librarians who have made contributions to the profession through publications, productions, or professional development activities that are relevant to teacher-librarianship or school library learning commons.

Rubio was humbled and honoured to learn she was one of four recipients this year.

“I have the opportunity to work with all K-12 schools, supporting their library programs, redesigning spaces, reimagining learning, mentoring new teacher-librarians, and supporting the acquisition of diverse, quality resources,” says Rubio.

Rubio coordinates, plans, and executes an annual district conference for all 50 teacher-librarians in Richmond School District. She manages the District Resource Centre, which creates kits to support equity and diversity. The resource centre has a robust Indigenous collection, and Rubio is currently working on *Righting Canada’s Wrongs*, a book series focused on topics like Japanese internment and residential schools.

Rubio brought diversity audits to the Richmond School District, and now this process is written into the district’s strategic plan. She also helps create flexible learning spaces, using libraries and labs, in schools undergoing seismic upgrades.

“Diversity, equity, and inclusion have been a focal point in my work for these past few years, and that is what I am being recognized for. I am working closely with teacher-librarians to create diverse, equitable collections that include all learners and all identities. Equity work is at the heart of all library programming and is essential for building community and (to) create safe spaces for all students. Libraries are truly becoming the hub of the school.”

Rubio says libraries are in a time of growth and transformation, with a shift from referring to spaces as libraries to becoming library learning commons.

“Library learning commons (LLCs) are democratic places where all students are represented, and where they have access to new and innovative technologies. Our redesigned, flexible LLCs invite inquiry and collaboration,” says Rubio. “I am excited to be part of this journey in Richmond School District.”

For more information on Rubio and the other Angela Thacker Memorial Award recipients, visit canadianschoollibraries.ca/angela-thacker-memorial-award-2022-recipients/



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Rebeca Rubio, the coordinator of library and information services at Richmond School District, is a 2022 recipient of the Angela Thacker Memorial Award.

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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**.

Students buzzing with creativity

By HANNAH SCOTT
Reporter

Students at two Richmond elementary schools got a firsthand lesson in nature journaling thanks to workshops with artist Bea Martin.

The workshops, a collaboration between Richmond Arts Coalition and Richmond School District, were part of Culture Days with final pieces displayed earlier this month at Branscombe House.

Martin has been teaching nature journaling for about a year, via the "Budding Artists" program that she developed at the Richmond Nature Park. Those workshops attracted the attention of the Richmond Arts Coalition, and executive director Andrew Wade and director Sarah Glen approached Martin to introduce Richmond elementary students to nature journaling and drawing.

"During lockdown I found a book at the library, *The Laws Guide to Nature Drawing and Journaling*, by John Muir Laws," says Martin. "I had been doing that, but I didn't know it was called nature journaling. I wrote to (Laws), he immediately wrote back, we set up a Zoom meeting, and I found out there's a whole community of nature journalers. During the pandemic the online community has grown massively and people find out that there's so much to see, even from your balcony, about nature."

In recent workshops, Grade 3 and 4 students at Homma elementary learned to draw bees while learning facts about them and their importance in the ecosystem. A Grade 5 and 6 class at Grauer also participated in the project.

"All the kids were so involved, because it was a very different class from the ones that they're used to," says Martin. "We are giving them tools to explore—we're not telling them to follow any specific rules. The response has been phenomenal."



Photos by Hannah Scott

Two Richmond classes learned about nature journaling and bees through workshops with a local artist.



Kids were especially intrigued by the water-soluble coloured pencils, Martin adds. Introducing them to inexpensive art tools that work and inspire has been a success. When the young students ask if they are allowed to do something, Martin always

says yes.

"I'm genuinely curious and excited about what I am discovering with them, so I think that makes it even more engaging," she says.

While the students' art was displayed during Culture Days celebrations in Richmond, Martin says

the ultimate goal was to build skills that help students connect with the outdoors on an ongoing basis.

"The end result is to build transferrable skills, so all these things that they're learning they're going to be able to apply no matter what classes they have. It's not just art—it's critical thinking, mindfulness, thinking skills,

scientific skills," says Martin.

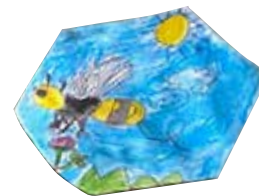
She also appreciates kids for their open minds and willingness to try anything without questioning themselves. They also don't question the partnership of drawing and science, and Martin credits today's multidisciplinary world for that mindset.

"Nature journaling is for everyone, regardless of age and skill level," says Martin. "(But) this age group in particular is that age where everything is exciting and where everything is possible. When teaching adults, one of my goals is to help them reconnect with their inner child, the ever-curious, ever-wondering, excited, and non-judgmental child we all are."

The skills learned through nature journaling—noticing, observing, making lists—are all ones that will help later in life, Martin adds. Caring about nature and learning that things are interconnected will also help create compassionate and respectful adults.

"This is like planting seeds of curiosity. Kids are already curious, we just have to let those seeds grow and nurture them and feed them," says Martin.

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Author looks back on a Hollywood life well led

By JIM GORDON & LEETA LIEPINS
Contributors

George Stevens Jr. recently authored a new book, *My Place in the Sun: Life in the Golden Age of Hollywood and Washington*. Stevens Jr. is the founder of the American Film Institute and creator of the AFI Life Achievement Award and the Kennedy Center Honors. The *Our City Tonight* team sat down with Stevens Jr. to talk about his experience growing up in Hollywood and working with his father, the legendary director George Stevens Sr.

OCT: *What was it like growing up in that time known as the golden era of Hollywood?*

GS: I grew up in North Hollywood—to me it was a normal neighbourhood. After I graduated I didn't have a job, so my dad gave me an assignment: read and outline Theodore Dreiser's *An American Tragedy*, as he was looking to make the movie version which would be called *A Place in the Sun* (1951). He also asked me to read other books sent to him for screenplays. One day I picked up a small book and read it in an afternoon. I said to my dad, "This is a really good story." He asked me to tell him about it, and I found myself reconstructing the novel for him. It would be another of his movies, *Shane* (1953). It was my first job on location for a major motion picture.

OCT: *One of the great takeaways from your recent book is the loving relationship you had with your father. The way he included you to work with him on what would become classic films is truly a beautiful part of the book.*

GS: He was a great father. There came a time when I was working with Dad, and directing TV shows, and a tremendous change came my way. Leg-

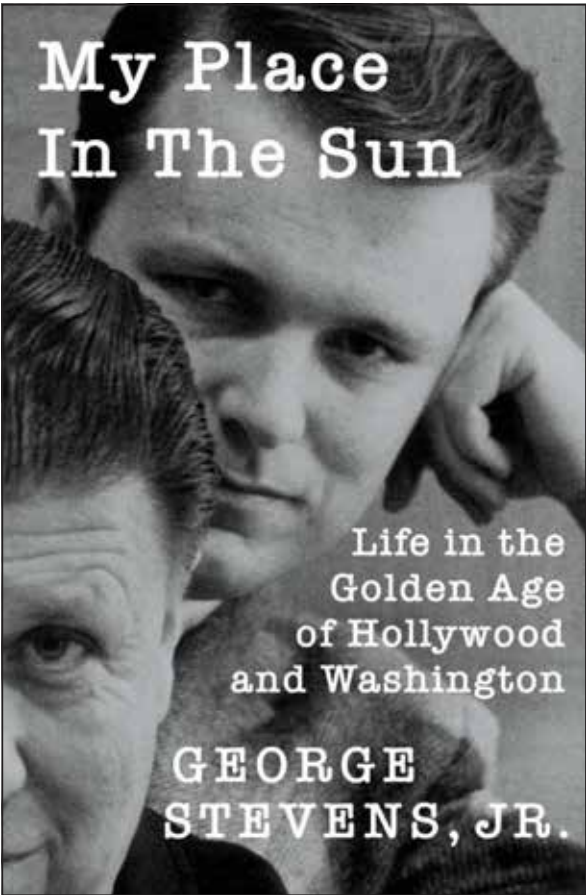


Photo courtesy George Stevens Jr.

Earlier this year, George Stevens Jr. released a book about his experience growing up in the golden era of Hollywood with an acclaimed director for a father.

endary newsman Edward R. Murrow asked me to come to Washington (D.C.) during the (John F.) Kennedy administration to run the motion picture division of the United States Information Agency. But I was my father's partner, so I told him about the offer—he looked at me and said, "I think you have to do it." He saw this as an opportunity to perhaps get out from under his shadow. It was such an act of generosity.

OCT: *There's a great story in the book about you and your father driving home from the Academy Awards the night he won the (Academy Award for) Best Director for A Place in the Sun, and between you on the car seat was that Oscar.*

GS: I was about 17 at the time. My dad had gone up to accept the Oscar, and a few hours later we were driving home. He looked at me and said about the film, *A Place in the Sun*, "We'll have a better idea what kind of film this is in about 25 years." He was talking about the test of time. And of course he would have had no way of knowing that the young fella sitting beside him that night would one day become the founder of the American Film Institute, where the test of time was cemented in American history, preserving the great films.

As of 2022, Stevens Jr. has been nominated for 38 Emmy Awards, winning 14. He has received two Peabody Awards and eight awards from the Writers Guild of America, and in 2012 he received an honorary Oscar

for his lifelong contributions to the film industry.

For the full video interview, visit richmondsentinel.ca/videos

Jim Gordon and Leeta Liepins are contributing writers to the Richmond Sentinel.

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