

**A GUIDE
TO FUN AND GAMES AT THE
VANCOUVER 2010
WINTER OLYMPIC & PARALYMPIC GAMES**

**WHY STAY AT HOME
WHEN THE PARTY'S NEXT DOOR?**

**WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES: FEBRUARY 12-29, 2010
and
WINTER PARALYMPIC GAMES: MARCH 12-21, 2010**



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Public transportation tips for those driving across the border...

Vancouver's public transit network

The Metro Vancouver transit system, operated by TransLink, is made up of a network of buses covering over 1800 square kilometers of Metro Vancouver – including Vancouver, Richmond, Surrey, New Westminster, North Vancouver and more. It also operates unique services such as the SkyTrain light rail system, the Seabus ferry, West Coast Express, and the brand new Canada Line. Getting around the city is convenient and accessible.

The SkyTrain Network and “Canada Line”

SkyTrain is the longest automated driverless light rapid transit system in the world. The Expo and Millennium Lines connect the cities of Burnaby, New Westminster and Surrey to downtown Vancouver while the Canada Line connects the Vancouver International Airport (YVR) and the city of Richmond to the city.

The new Canada Line adds 16 new stations and 19 km to the SkyTrain light rail network. A map of this line is at right. Nine stations are located in Vancouver, with four in Richmond and three on Sea Island serving the airport. It is easy to park your car at the River Rock Casino in Richmond and purchase a \$3.75 ticket for a journey that takes less than 20 minutes to reach the City Center stop. For more information about the Skytrain network, visit www.translink.ca/en/Rider-Info/Canada-Line.aspx.

Other downtown rapid transit options for event venues include stopping at Main Street-Science World, Yaletown Roundhouse, Waterfront or Granville stations, then walking along the pedestrian corridors.

Bridgeport Park and Ride

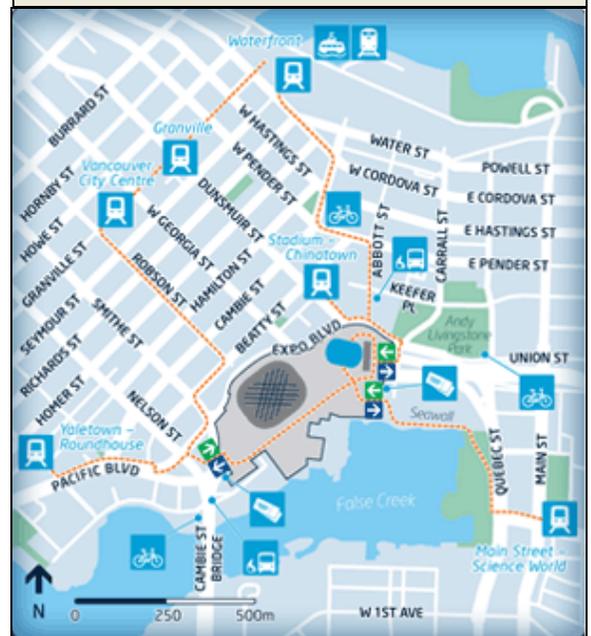
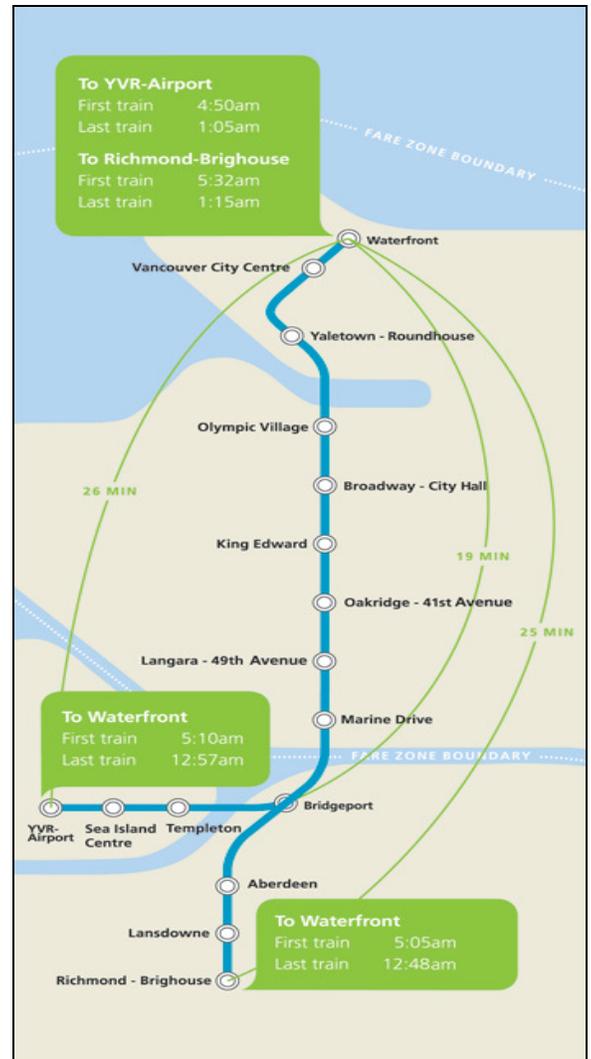
Bridgeport Station's Park and Ride lot at River Rock Casino has 600 parking stalls available during rush hour for commuters that use their car for a portion of their trip. The cost is \$2.00 per stall.

Olympic Line Streetcar

This prototype vehicle will operate between Granville Island and Canada Line's Olympic Village Station January 21-March 21. It's a free service operated by the City of Vancouver and Bombardier.

5 Things to Remember About Transportation

1. There is **NO** spectator parking at any Olympic venue.
 2. Public transportation is accessible to all and is the quickest, most reliable way to go.
 3. Access to public transit is included free for all Olympic ticketholders on the day of the event.
 4. Give yourself plenty of time to reach your venue.
 5. <http://travelsmart2010.ca> offers up-to-date travel info.
- [Cypress Mountain and Whistler venues can be reached on the Olympic Bus Network. Ticketholders can purchase OBN tickets at <http://travelsmart2010.ca>.]



Be sure to also visit www.vancouver2010.com/olympic-spectator-guide/travelling-to-canada/entry-into-canada/!

A LITTLE HISTORY OF THE OLYMPIC & PARALYMPIC GAMES

[Adapted from: <http://history1900s.about.com/od/fadsfashion/a/olympicshistory.htm>]

According to legend, the ancient Olympic Games were founded by Heracles (the Roman Hercules), a son of Zeus. Yet the first Olympic Games for which we still have written records were held in 776 BCE (though it is generally believed that the Games had been going on for many years already). At those Olympic Games, a runner named Coroebus won the sole event at the Olympics, "the stade"—a run of approximately 192 meters (210 yards)—and made Coroebus the very first Olympic champion in history.

The ancient Olympic Games grew and continued to be played every four years for nearly 1200 years. The Olympics then were quite different from the sporting competition and television advertising bonanza of today. To the ancient Greeks, the Olympic Games were a sacred religious festival celebrated in honor of Zeus.

The Olympics were the first of four major pan-Hellenic athletic festivals, held, in accordance with the Greek lunar calendar, once every four years at Olympia in western Greece. Celebrated in honor of Zeus, the ancient Olympic festival was attended by statesmen, artists, poets, orators, writers and even princes, as well as athletes. In 393 CE, however, a Christian emperor of Rome, Theodosius I, abolished the Games because of their pagan influences.

Approximately 1500 years later, a man named Pierre de Coubertin began their revival. Born a French aristocrat in 1863, he believed that sports, made a person well-rounded and vigorous. In 1890, he organized and founded a sports organization and began pitching the idea of reviving the Olympic Games. It took a few years but eventually an international committee was formed to organize the Games. This committee became the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and Demetrius Vikelas from Greece was selected to be its first president. Athens was chosen as the location and that is how the Olympics were reborn.

The Winter Olympic Games [Adapted from: www.infoplease.com/ipsa/A0115111.html]

The Olympics were traditionally held in summer and celebrated "good weather" sports. The move toward a winter version of the Olympics began in 1908 when figure skating made an appearance at the Summer Games in London. Organizers of the 1916 Summer Games in Berlin planned to introduce a "Skiing Olympia," featuring nordic events in the Black Forest, but the Games were cancelled after the outbreak of World War I in 1914. When the Games resumed in 1920 in Belgium, figure skating returned and ice hockey was added as a medal event. Despite the objections of modern Olympics' founder, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, and the resistance of the Scandinavian countries which staged their own Nordic championships in Sweden, the International Olympic Committee sanctioned an "International Winter Sports Week" at Chamonix, France, in 1924. The 11-day event, which included nordic skiing, speed skating, figure skating, ice hockey and bobsledding, was a huge success and is now referred to as the first Winter Olympic Games.

After the 1994 Games, the four-year Olympic cycle of staging both Winter and Summer Games in the same year changed. A new schedule began that called for the two Games to *alternate* Summer and Winter Games so that one or the other is offered every two years.

History of the Paralympic Games

[Adapted from: www.paralympiceducation.ca/Content/History/11%20History%20of%20the%20Paralympics.asp?langid=1]

Not to be mistaken for the "Special Olympics", the Summer Paralympic Games are second only to the Olympics as largest sporting event in the world today. In a relatively short time, the Paralympic Winter Games have established itself as a major event on the Olympic calendar, too. The winter event made its debut in 1976 in Sweden - but the concept is much older. The earliest beginnings of the creation of athletic Games for people with disabilities can be traced back to World War II and the efforts of one man, a doctor from England named Ludwig Guttmann. Known as the "Father of Sport for People with Disabilities", Dr. Guttmann was a strong advocate of using sports therapy to enhance the quality of life for people who were injured or wounded during World War II. Dr. Guttmann organized the 1948 International Wheelchair Games to coincide with the 1948 London Olympics. His dream was of a worldwide sports competition for people with disabilities to be held every four years as "the equivalent of the Olympic Games". Twelve years later, his dream became a reality.

The first Paralympic Games were held in Rome, Italy, in 1960 and involved 400 athletes from 23 countries. Originally only wheelchair athletes were invited to compete. Since that time, the Paralympic Games have grown dramatically. The present day Paralympic Games include six major classifications of athletes: persons with visual impairments, persons with physical disabilities, amputee athletes, people with cerebral palsy, people with spinal cord injuries, and Les Autres - athletes with a physical disability that are not included in the categories mentioned above (e.g., people with Muscular Dystrophy).

Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Games [Adapted from: www.disabled-world.com/sports/paralympics/2010/]

The 2010 Winter Paralympics, officially known as the X Paralympic Winter Games, will be held in Vancouver and Whistler, British Columbia between March 12 to March 21, 2010. The Opening Ceremony will take place in BC Place Stadium, Vancouver, BC, just as they will on February 12. This will be the second time Canada has hosted the Paralympics, including the 1976 Summer Paralympics in Toronto. Five sporting events will be on the Games program: **Wheelchair Curling** and **Sledge Hockey** will take place in Vancouver while **Alpine Skiing/Sit-Skiing**, **Nordic Skiing** and **Cross-Country Skiing** will take place in Whistler.

There are still tickets available to these events so please consider attending them. The feats of athleticism by physically disabled athletes are certainly no less remarkable or impressive!

The Vancouver 2010 Medals

[Adapted from <http://www.cbc.ca/canada/british-columbia/story/2009/10/15/bc-vancouver-olympic-medaldesign.html>]

The Royal Canadian Mint has produced 615 Olympic and 399 Paralympic medals at their headquarters in Ottawa, Ontario [the capital of Canada] and every medal will be a one-of-a-kind work of art — a first in Games history.

Each medal features aboriginal artwork and no two medals are alike. They are like puzzle pieces to two large artworks of an orca whale and raven by Canadian designer Corrine Hunt. A silk scarf printed with the master artwork will be presented to each medalist along with their medal, enabling them to see how their medal connects with those awarded to other athletes at the Games to make the whole design.

The medals are circular in shape and, at between 500 to 576 grams, are the heaviest in Olympic and Paralympic history. Their design reflects the ocean waves, drifting snow and mountainous landscape found in British Columbia and throughout Canada.



On the reverse side, shown are the Games' distinctive emblems and motto, the official names in English and French, and the name of the sport and event the medal was awarded in. On the Paralympic medals, braille is also used.

Medals by Numbers...

2.05 kg of gold used in production of gold medals

95 mm width of Paralympic medals

399 medals for the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games

615 medals for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games

30 number of steps in fabrication process

903 kg of copper used to produce bronze medals

100 mm diameter of Olympic medals

500-576 g weight of medals (among heaviest ever)

1,950 kg of silver used to produce silver medals

Can I still purchase Vancouver 2010 Event Tickets?

Tickets to the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games have been sold in phases and most events have sold out but more creative opportunities to purchase seats still do exist! There are auctions taking place, overnight stay packages and opportunities to purchase legitimate tickets legally from sellers at the Fan-to-Fan Marketplace. Open your pocketbook and visit https://frontline-tickets.vancouver2010.com/buy/TicketSales?agency=OLMP_MYTIXX&roomid=5 Tickets purchased through the Fan-to-Fan Marketplace must be picked up at a Main Ticket Centre.

www.cosport.com is the US ticketing agent and a few tickets are still available (pickup at Vancouver box office)!

Vancouver 2010 Call Centre - Customer service representatives are available (Mon-Fri 9am-7pm/Sat: 9am-4pm) to answer ticketing questions for Vancouver 2010 events. In Canada: 1.800.842.5387 Outside Canada: 1.925.798.8100

In Person – 1) Main Ticket Centre (Vancouver) at Robson Square (Robson Street between Hornby & Howe Streets)
Mon–Sat: 10am-6pm. (Hours of operation will change closer to Games time.)

2) Tourism Vancouver – Vancouver: Plaza Level, 200 Burrard Street

Mon–Sat: 10am-6pm (Hours of operation will change closer to Games time.)

Venue Box Offices: Each venue box office will open on the first day of competition at the venue. See the competition schedule at www.vancouver2010.com/olympic-schedule-results/. Box offices will open two hours prior to competition for Vancouver venues and three hours prior to competition for Whistler venues.

Event Venues for Vancouver 2010 Olympic & Paralympic Games

Non-Competition Venues and Medal Ceremonies

Opening and Closing Ceremonies as well as nightly medal ceremonies and concerts will be held at BC Place in downtown Vancouver. Medals won in Whistler will be awarded in Whistler. Enjoy performances by local, Canadian and international performing artists at LiveCity Downtown and LiveCity Yaletown (which will be connected by pedestrian routes). Expect special appearances by Olympians and Paralympians and giant screen showings of Olympic events there as well. There is so much else to see and experience...and many do not involve event tickets and are free to the public! See Community and Cultural Olympiad info—Pages 8-14—for more info about other locations for fun festivities.

Competition Venues Images used with permission © VANOC/COVAN

Ice Hockey - Canada Hockey Place (Vancouver)



Freestyle Skiing/Snowboard - Cypress Mountain (West Vancouver)



Bobsleigh, Luge, Skeleton - Whistler Sliding Centre



Ice Hockey - UBC Thunderbird Arena
(aka Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre)



Alpine Skiing - Whistler Creekside

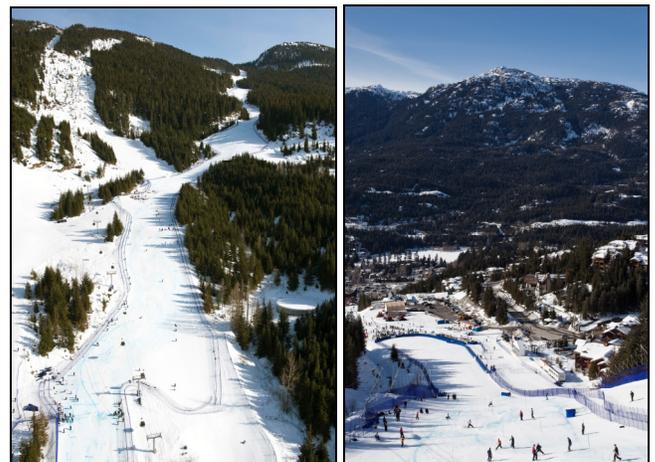


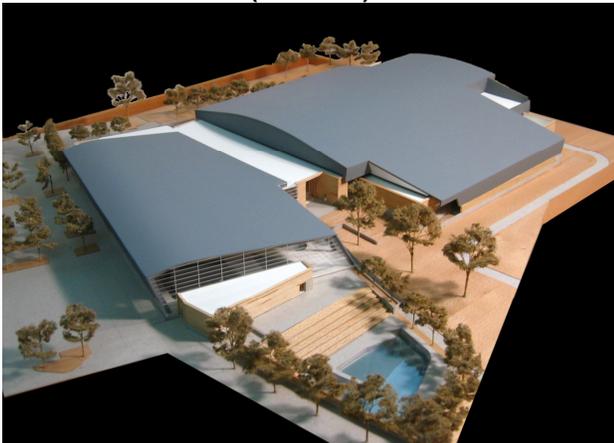
Figure Skating/Short-Track Speed Skating – Pacific Coliseum (Vancouver)



Ski Jumping/Cross-Country Skiing/Nordic Combined/Biathlon Whistler Olympic & Paralympic Park



Curling - Vancouver Olympic & Paralympic Centre (Hillcrest)



Speed Skating - Richmond Olympic Oval



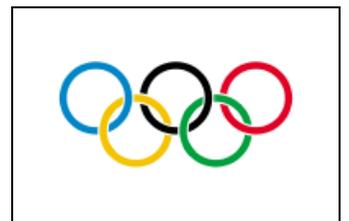
The Olympic motto is *Citius—Altius—Fortius*, Latin for "faster, higher, stronger." The motto has been part of the Games since 1894 and was proposed by Pierre de Coubertin. The **Vancouver 2010** motto is: "**With Glowing Hearts**". It is a line from the national anthem, O Canada! and reflects the happiness Canadians feel to host the Games and welcome the world to Vancouver 2010.

OLYMPIC SYMBOLS AND TRADITIONS

[Adapted from: <http://www.infoplease.com/spot/olympicsceremonies.html>]

Rings and Flag

The Olympic rings and flag were designed by Pierre de Coubertin after the 1912 Games in Stockholm. Those Games were the first to include athletes from all five continents. The rings were going to be used in the 1916 Games, but those games were cancelled because of World War I, so they debuted in 1920 (Antwerp, Belgium).



Each of the five Olympic rings is a different color. Together, they represent the five inhabited continents, although no particular ring is meant to represent any specific continent. (Note: The Americas are treated as one continent.) The rings are interlaced to represent the idea that the Olympics are universal, bringing athletes from the entire world together. As every national flag in the world contains at least one of the flag's six colors (black, blue, green, red, yellow, white), this further symbolizes the Olympics' universality.

Flame and Torch



The ancient Greeks believed that fire was given to mankind by Prometheus, and considered fire to have sacred qualities. Eternal flames burned in front of Greek temples, flames lit using the rays of the sun.

The Olympic flame is lit in front of the ruins of the Temple of Hera in Olympia, emphasizing the connection between the ancient Games and the modern Games. A long relay of runners carrying the torch brings it around the world to the site of the Games. The flame travels by plane between cities, and is relayed by foot within cities.

Once at the host city—Vancouver, B.C. in 2010—the final torch bearer will use it to light a cauldron that remains lit until extinguished in the Closing Ceremony. Who that will be is usually kept a secret until the final lighting. Being a torch-bearer is considered one of the highest honors and often given to regional/national celebrities and athletes.

The first such relay took place for the 1936 Berlin Games and, since 1964, the Winter Olympic Games have also had a torch relay. The 2004 relay was the first to start and end in Greece and also the first to visit every continent (crossing 34 cities in 27 countries) before returning to Greece.

The Vancouver 2010 torch has already journeyed across Canada but can be interactively followed on a map at www.vancouver2010.com/more-2010-information/olympic-torch-relay/olympic-torch-relay-interactive-map/.

Meet Ilanaaq and the Mascots of Vancouver 2010! [Adapted from: www.vancouver2010.com/mascot/]

The logo of the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics is **Ilanaaq**, a contemporary design based on the Inuit inuksuk. [An inuksuk is a stone marker traditionally used by the Inuit as a directional guide to identify locations in Canada's Arctic terrain.] The inuksuk has become a symbol of leadership, cooperation, friendship and the human spirit. **Ilanaaq** means "friend" in the Inuit language (Inuktitut) and was designed by Vancouver-based artist Elena Rivera MacGregor. Rivera MacGregor claims that her winning design represents the culture, environment and people of Canada and certainly the panel of nine international judges must agree who selected her entry from 1,600 others!

There are 4 mascots who will welcome children at the Games. **Sumi** is an animal spirit who lives in the mountains of British Columbia. Like many Canadians, Sumi's background is drawn from many places. He wears the hat of the orca whale, flies

with the wings of the mighty thunderbird and runs on the strong furry legs of the black bear. **Quatchi**, a young sasquatch from the mysterious forests of Canada, is shy but loves to explore new places and meet new friends—especially to play hockey together! **Miga** is a young sea bear who lives in the ocean with her family pod, beyond Vancouver Island, near Tofino, BC. Sea bears are part killer whale and part bear (Miga is part Kermode bear, a rare white bear that only lives in BC.) Miga loves snowboarding. **Mukmuk** (not pictured above) is a small and friendly Vancouver Island marmot who always supports and cheers loudly for his friends during games and races.



What's special about the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics?

1) Four Host First Nations [adapted from: www.fourhostfirstnations.com/]

The Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games will be held on the traditional and shared traditional territories of the Lil'wat, Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations – known collectively as the Four Host First Nations. These Nations have co-existed as neighbors for centuries. They have used and occupied the lands and waters of their traditional territories since time immemorial.

Early in the Bid Phase, it was understood that having the support and active participation of these Nations would enrich the Games and the Bid, and create lasting legacies for these communities. This relationship was recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as an important factor in Vancouver's winning bid and so Vancouver 2010 is the first Olympic Games to partner with the indigenous peoples of the region from the outset.

2) Commitment to Environmental Sustainability

[adapted from: www.inhabitat.com/2008/07/10/2010-winter-olympics-going-green, and www.vancouver2010.com/olympic-news/unep-partners-with-vancouver-2010-on-environmental-initiatives-for-the-2010-winter-games_37666GN.html, and www.ctvolympics.ca/about-vancouver/news/newsid=13964.html]

The United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) and the Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (VANOC) signed an agreement to enhance environmental performance at the 2010 Winter Games and increase public awareness of the importance of environmental protection and sustainable development. VANOC is making a commitment to build on the success of the Torino 2006 Olympic Winter Games, in particular, which is credited with having raised the environmental bar for Olympic events.

The 2010 Winter Games in Vancouver have committed to leave a lasting legacy in the host communities of Vancouver and Whistler, the province of British Columbia, Canada, and beyond, and to provide innovative ways to organize major events that minimize their environmental footprints before, during and after the Games.

Here are just a few of the ways that Vancouver 2010 is trying to offer a "Green Games":

- All of the buildings have been fitted with solar panels and feature green roofs that harvest rainwater for irrigation.
- In-slab hydronic systems heat/cool the buildings and latent sewer pipe heat is part of a heat exchange system.
- All parking is underground and no parking was added to venues since...
- All event tickets include free public transportation and an inexpensive Olympic Bus Network (OBN) will offer transportation between Vancouver and Whistler and Vancouver and Cypress Mountain. Only the OBN and area residents will be able to travel on the Sea-to-Sky Highway during the Games.
- Twenty Olympic Bus Network vehicles are hydrogen fuel cell-powered to reduce environmental impacts.
- After the games the athletes' villages in Vancouver and Whistler will be developed as models of sustainable community and sustainable living. [Sidenote: The Vancouver Olympic and Paralympic Village will have the capacity to house 2,100 athletes and officials and the one in Whistler will accommodate 2,400 athletes and officials. These will be converted to 156 units of permanent affordable housing in Vancouver for people most in need across B.C. as well as temporary housing for resort workers in Whistler.]

3) The Cultural Olympiad (and Community Festivals)

The Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad takes place January 22-March 21, 2010 and celebrates the diversity of Canada's culture. **193 concert/special events!!!** are listed at www.vancouver2010.com/cultural-festivals-and-events. They encompass music, dance, theatre, visual arts, film, and literary, digital and new media events in venues throughout the Sea to Sky corridor. Moreover, lower mainland B.C. is celebrating Vancouver 2010 by hosting a festivals over their own. Join in the fun by participating in the free activities. See Pages 8-14 for more details....

Olympic Legacies [Adapted from: www.ctvolympics.ca/about-vancouver/news/newsid=13964.html]

These Games will provide many long-term benefits for the citizens of British Columbia in the form of sporting venues and infrastructure," said René Fasel, chair of the IOC's Vancouver 2010 Coordination Commission. "By leveraging the short-term housing needs for Games athletes with a long-term solution, Vancouver 2010 and its partners have developed a significant Games' legacy: providing affordable housing for people who need it most."

- The "Canada Line", a 19-kilometre rapid transit line that now connects the airport to downtown Vancouver.
- Once *the* most expensive road improvement project in the world, the Sea-to-Sky Highway between Vancouver and Whistler now offers safe passage for the Olympic Bus Network that will offer inexpensive transportation during the games and for all who travel between the two host cities long after the Olympics are over.
- A sparkling new convention centre on Burrard Inlet (with a beautiful grass roof!) will make downtown Vancouver an even more enticing city for hosting conferences in the future.
- The Richmond Oval, a speedskating facility built 14 km from downtown, will be converted into a recreation complex after the Olympics. [Sidenote: It's wood roof was salvaged from trees killed by mountain pine beetles.]
- The Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Center in Whistler will continue teaching about indigenous peoples of the region.
- Construction of new buildings and lanes at the Canada-US border will provide ease of passage as well as greater security. In preparation for the world coming to Vancouver, many less visible improvements have taken place regarding border and security issues that will only improve the important Canada-US border relationship.

The Center for Canadian-American Studies at Western Washington University encourages you to...

Be part of VANCOUVER 2010!

You are welcome to attend all the event, activities and festivities below for FREE!

For further details, photographs, and active hyperlinks, visit the source at: www.citycaucus.com/2010free

Abbotsford Live Site

The "Live Sites" program was created to help residents share in the Spirit of 2010 as well as to help B.C. communities, in all regions of the Province, find a way to develop a lasting legacy from the 2010 Winter Games. The Abbotsford Recreation Centre will transform into an Olympic Hub February 12-28, 2010. Olympic themed public skates, swims, and programs will be offered. There will also be a free night market and inflatable fun zone Thursdays & Fridays 5:00pm – 9:00pm, Saturdays 9:00am – 9:00pm and Sundays 12:00pm – 9:00pm. Russian figure skaters will be practicing as well.

Alberta House

Located on the corner of Robson and Beatty Streets (immediately west of BC Place), Alberta House and Alberta Plaza are a central location for Canadian and international guests to meet, gather, and learn about Alberta as a place to invest, work, live and visit. Alberta Plaza will highlight Alberta tourism and industry sectors during the day and showcase Alberta artists for national and international visitors in the evening. 60,000 Olympic guests, Vancouver locals and visiting Albertans will be enticed to stop and experience dynamic presentations, and Alberta's new brand message: Freedom to Create, Spirit to Achieve.

Atlantic Canada House

From February 13-28, Canada's east coast will come alive on one of Vancouver's most historic sites, **Granville Island**. Granville Island is expecting over 35,000 visitors daily. Once at Atlantic Canada House (located in the Arts Club Theatre), guests will find an authentic and inspiring setting. It's here you'll be treated to East Coast culinary delights, discover the region's culture and spirit, and share in Atlantic Canadian hospitality. Within the pavilion space, you'll find the Granville Island Stage, the Revue Stage and the Backstage Lounge. Atlantic Canadian artists will be featured nightly, and daily performances on the Revue Stage will celebrate the region and welcome guests to the Atlantic Canadian way of life.

BC Hydro PowerSmart Village

Celebrate the spirit of the Games in a theme of conservation and sustainability. Members of your entire family will enjoy a wide range of activities like dancing on a sustainable dance floor, creating an inspirational message on the digital expression wall or even taking a break from cheering on athletes to check out First Nation carvings or our "the future is now" home exhibit. You'll even have a chance to **win Olympic tickets** by taking part in one of their many events. The venue is about one-block from the LiveCity Downtown site and the Canada Pavilion in Vancouver.

Bombardier Streetcar

A modern and "high-end" European streetcar will shuttle passengers by rail between the Canada Line and the "French Quarter" at Granville Island. It is free but they are expecting over 500,000 people will take the trip over the 2-month period of its operation. The train started running on Jan. 21 and will run through March 21, 18 hours per day.

Canada Line *[If not going by train, this is the best way to get into downtown Vancouver!]*

For the price of a cappuccino coffee, you can jump aboard the new Canada Line Skytrain and head from Richmond or the Vancouver International Airport to downtown Vancouver's waterfront. Along the way, you will cross the mighty Fraser River and have the opportunity to stop at trendy Oakridge Mall and Cambie Village, the Olympic Village and the center of Vancouver's downtown core. Learn more about Games-time transportation at <http://www.vancouver2010.com/olympic-spectator-guide/transportation/getting-around-vancouver/>.

Canada Pavilion

Centrally located at Vancouver's **LiveCity Downtown** Celebration Site, the Canada Pavilion will demonstrate Canada's commitment to creative excellence, sustainable development and fostering diversity with informative and innovative content that is sure to make Canadian's proud. The 2010 Games will inspire Canada's young people to get active in sports and live a healthy lifestyle. The Pavilion will provide an opportunity to learn more about Olympic and Paralympic sports and help them to choose the activity that's right for them.

Canada's Northern House

Canada's Northern House, **now open** (through March 31) at 602 W. Hastings Street & Seymour in Vancouver, is located in the heart of downtown. You can expect to be captivated with the simulated northern lights shining from the windows. The lights will draw people in to view and get information on Nunavut, Northwest Territories and Yukon art, business, athletes, cultural performers and artists. Visitors to Northern House will be greeted at the entrance by an inuksuk built by former Nunavut Commissioner Peter Irniq, using stone from Nunavut, Northwest Territories and British Columbia. Canada's Northern House will showcase talented performers such as Arcticq and throat singers, drum dancers, and traditional games athletes during the Olympic Games. Canada's Northern House will have an art lounge, story telling area and an exhibit called "The North Today" featuring interactive displays on living, visiting and investing in Nunavut. Visitors also have the chance to win an \$8,000 diamond or a 3.8 ounce gold nugget valued at \$7,000!

Casa Italia

In 2006, Italy played home to the Winter Olympics. In a few weeks, the historic Roundhouse Community Centre will play home to the 2010 pavilion known as Casa Italia. The pavilion will be open to the public and will feature some of the best food, drink and entertainment that Italy has to offer. You can expect to see Ferrero Rocher as well as some other fine Italian products on display. Casa Italia will be open daily to the public Feb 6-28 from noon-6pm daily. The pavilion is only one block north of the LiveCity Yaletown.

CentrePlace Manitoba

CentrePlace Manitoba is a 2,560 sq ft, pre-fabricated, sustainable building featuring Manitoba products and technology. Multi-media exhibits, developed in Manitoba, will showcase tourism, business, immigration and sport and highlight the province's prosperity, opportunity and potential. The Canadian Museum for Human Rights will be a partner and feature an exhibit. It will be located at the **LiveCity Vancouver** – Downtown site (on Georgia Street at Cambie)

Four Host Nations Pavilion

Located on the plaza of the Queen Elizabeth Theatre (at Georgia and Hamilton) in downtown Vancouver, within easy walking distance of BC Place (venue for opening ceremonies) and GM Place (venue for men's ice hockey), the 2010 Aboriginal Pavilion will be right in the heart of Olympic activity, with Vancouver's Celebration Site located immediately across Cambie Street. The pavilion features a high-tech 3,000 square-foot sphere, surrounded by a Coast Salish Longhouse. The Longhouse, which features a 1,500 square-foot Trading Post, will be relocated after the Games as a permanent legacy. As well, the adjacent 2,000 square-foot QE restaurant will be converted into a reception hall, featuring an Aboriginal showcase and cuisine. Special "theme" days will showcase Aboriginal groups from all regions of Canada. Live events will include Inuit throat singing, Métis jigging, hoop dancing, as well as spotlighting contemporary Aboriginal performances and other fields of achievement.

French Quarter (Granville Island)

Located just south of the downtown, Granville Island will become *the* place to celebrate Canada's French heritage. There will be two pavilions, a French bistro and pub, as well as a stage for concerts. There will also be an "artists' alley" like Rue Sainte-Anne in Quebec City. This little "French Quarter" will offer visitors a cornucopia of activities including shows featuring Canadian and international performers, a sports pub, a farmer's market, tourism circuits and trails and many exhibits of works by francophone artists. Visitors to Place de la Francophonie will delight in the ongoing festive atmosphere while discovering the cultural and artistic wealth of the country. It runs from Feb 11-28. You can get there by taking the free streetcar from the Olympic Canada Line Station to Granville Island. Vancouver's famous False Creek water taxis will also provide transportation across the water during the Games. Expect this site to be extremely popular.

GE Plaza (Robson Square)

This is the official site for the International Media Centre during the Games and centrally located at Robson & Howe Streets. It is also home to the new GE outdoor skating rink. Thanks to the generous contribution of the Province of BC and General Electric, the skating is FREE, but skate rentals are \$3 a pair. The rink is open daily from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This will be an extremely popular attraction. Note that although this venue is technically outdoors, it is actually below Robson Street. Just look for the big glass bubbles from street level.

German Saxony House

The Vancouver Rowing Club in Stanley Park will transform its 19th century aura into a glittering Saxony House, offering magnificent views of Burrard Inlet and Downtown Vancouver. You'll have the opportunity to watch the games, meet medal winners, listen to live music and enjoy traditional German food and drinks. What better place to exhibit the prowess of Saxony's art, culture and booming economy, its sports and the innovative drive of Saxon inventors! The Saxony House is open free to the public, February 12th - 28th, from 12:00pm- 2:00am.

Heineken House (Holland in Richmond, BC)

Located near the O-Zone in Richmond (at Minoru Arenas - 7551 Minoru Gate), the highlight of the Holland Heineken House experience is the main hall, which can host thousands of people every night, and features celebratory medal ceremonies for successful Dutch athletes as well as nightly performances by renowned Dutch artists and DJ's. The uniquely close relationship that Dutch sport fans have with their heroes - coupled with their penchant for the national color of orange - makes for a vibrant and unforgettable atmosphere during celebrations and performances. More than 100,000 people visited the Holland Heineken House during Winter Games in Turin and 95,000 at the Beijing Olympics. At the last Summer Games, supporters were able to celebrate a total of 16 medals for the Dutch Olympic Team. There are plans for HH to serve beer to 4,000 people nightly at its Medal Ceremony Hall and stay open 9am- 2am.

House of Switzerland

Bridges Restaurant on Granville Island will play home to the House of Switzerland during the Games. Expect a lot of Swiss athletes there on a nightly basis. If a Swiss athlete wins a medal, he/she will be taken from BC Place and brought to the pavilion by water taxi that evening. The athletes then plan to hold a media event outside the House of Switzerland as well meet with all the patrons inside. Some of the best Swiss chocolates, wine, cheese will be on hand to sample. It will officially be open Feb 5-28.

Irish House

The 9,000 square-foot temporary "Irish House, conveniently located adjacent to Doolin's Irish Pub in downtown Vancouver, will serve 750 visitors at a time. The Irish House will be a welcoming gathering place with a boisterous traditional Celtic atmosphere. During the day, the pavilion will feature family-friendly entertainment with music and cultural exhibits. Multiple televisions and projection screens will run highlights of the Games. In the evenings, the true Irish pub culture will come to life, and visitors will experience a party where it will feel like every day is a St. Patrick's Day party. As with any Irish Pavilion, get ready for a load of fun and entertainment

Laser Waterworks Show

Go with your family to David Lam Park to see the nightly laser light shows which will take place at the **LiveCity Yaletown** location (see further below). A large pipe in False Creek will stream water high into the air providing the backdrop for what will become a must see event. Across False Creek you will be able to see the Olympic Athlete's Village. Details of the laser light show are still unknown.

LiveCity Downtown

This site located at Georgia and Beatty will open during both the Olympic and Paralympic Games and will be Vancouver's version of a downtown "piazza" with a large outdoor screen, daytime interactive school programming, engaging street entertainment, and late-night entertainment. Additional partners and governmental agencies will bring programs and pavilions to complement the site. The site will be open and programmed throughout the Olympic period commencing Feb. 13 and concluding right before the Closing Ceremony (Feb. 28). During that period it is anticipated that LiveCity Downtown will be open daily from 11am through to midnight and will reopen during the Paralympic period (March 12 through March 21) with a mix of on-screen programming, demonstration sport events and entertainment. Both the Canada and Manitoba pavilions are also on-site.

LiveCity Yaletown

This site at David Lam Park in trendy Yaletown will offer Vancouver residents and visitors the complete Olympic Winter Games experience: the best in Vancouver and Canadian live arts and entertainment as well as Olympic sponsor pavilions, Vancouver House, refreshments and sport highlights on giant screens. LiveCity Yaletown is the place to be for free, fun, family Games-time memories. The site will be open and programmed throughout the Olympic period commencing the day after the Opening Ceremony and concluding right before the Closing Ceremony (February 13-February 28). It is anticipated that the Site will be open daily from 11am through to 11pm. Several well-known corporate sponsors will have their public pavilions onsite including Coca Cola, Samsung, Acer and Panasonic.

New Westminster (Keep the Dream Alive)

Historic New Westminster (Western Canada's oldest incorporated city) is hosting something they are calling *Keep the Dream Alive*. Join the excitement of the Olympics! Watch Canada bring home the gold at the Queensborough Community Centre. Learn about local Olympic athletes that will be competing in the 2010 Winter Olympics. Catch the Olympic spirit in New Westminster. For more information, call 604-525-7388.

Nightly Medal Award Ceremony

This is the most inexpensive way to participate in an official Olympic event. Tickets costs as little as \$22 dollars per person and provides access to some of North America's best entertainers as well as medal winning athletes. Some of the confirmed bands include Barenaked Ladies, INXS, Nelly Furtado, Headley, Theory of a Dead Man and many more. The warm confines of the newly renovated **BC Place Stadium** will play home to this nightly event which is sure to be a crowd-pleaser. If you are taking the Expo Line SkyTrain, get off at the "Stadium" station. You will have to walk about 5 minutes to get there. A note for out-of-town visitors, BC Place will undergo a massive renovation after the Games and will have a brand new retractable roof installed.

O-Zone Richmond

The O Zone is where you can be part of a real Olympic Games experience, with thousands of your closest friends, cheering on Canada's athletes, exploring cool stuff, and rocking to some of the hottest young bands in Canada. The O Zone is also the biggest celebration of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, amassed over 60 acres in the heart of Richmond City Centre, not far from the new Canada Line Brighthouse Station near Richmond City Hall and Minoru Park.

Picture this: mammoth ice art, massive high-definition screen, outdoor skating on real ice, entertainment from around the world, art, athletes, exhibits, virtual reality (bobsleigh ride anyone?), food and fireworks. Bands will headline theme nights saluting Canada's diverse cultures and regions from World Beat rhythms and South Asian dance and music to Pan Northern sounds from above the Arctic Circle. There's something for all ages. All free! Every day. Every night.

The BCLC 2010 Winter Games Dome (a massive 5,000 square foot four-domed tent) features interactive sport experiences. The Immersa-Dome® allows visitors to experience, through sight, smell and touch, what it might be like to compete as a member of Canada's Olympic bobsleigh or Paralympic sit-ski team *from the athletes' perspective*. Within the Games Dome, participants can also shoot targets while skiing through the winter woods on a simulated Biathlon course, or test their wrist shot on the Olympic or Paralympic ice hockey rink. As the Official Lottery and Gaming provider to the 2010 Winter Games, BCLC will be offering **free daily draws to win one of 10 pairs of Closing Ceremony tickets**, available to anyone 19+ who wishes to enter their name, February 12-21.

Ontario Pavilion

Located in between BC Place Stadium and Sochi House (Science World), the Ontario Pavilion plans to set a new standard in creativity and innovation. *[It appears they are constructing a special 4D theatre!]* The pavilion is almost finished and it has to be one of the most striking in Vancouver. They plan to feature exciting and original exhibits, events and performances; showcase made-in-Ontario products and services; and be technologically state-of-the-art while being supported using environmentally sustainable systems and technologies. The Ontario Pavilion will offer visitors a unique, one-of-a-kind, inspirational experience that will live on in their memories for years to come and reinforce Ontario's Olympic brand message — "There's No Place Like This."

Québec House (Maison Québec)

Located at the Concord Pacific site between Sochi House (Science World) and BC Place in Vancouver, this will be one ultra cool venue...a centerpiece of Quebec culture and food situated next to Hockey House and the Ontario Pavilion.

Ce lieu démontrera aux milliers de visiteurs étrangers sur place le caractère distinctif du Québec soit par notre culture, notre savoir-faire et nos attraits touristiques. La Maison permettra également d'accueillir les athlètes, avec leurs familles, et leur apporter notre soutien. Plusieurs artistes s'y produiront et auront ainsi l'occasion de rayonner sur le plan international. Un bistrot offrira des produits agroalimentaires du Québec.

Royal Canadian Mint Pavilion

Are you curious about how all those Olympic medals are made? Are you collecting all of the special edition 2010 Olympic quarters now in circulation? You may want to drop by the official 2010 Royal Canadian Mint pavilion located at 500 Granville Street (at Pender) in downtown Vancouver. The Mint is the official supplier of medals for the Olympic Games and will have some of them on display for the public to view. There is also a special children's activities section located on the 1st floor (open 9:30 - 6 pm daily). *If you mention "Mint.ca" at the Pavilion Boutique you get 10% off all purchases.* Open from February 12-28 (9 am to 10 pm daily).

Russian Tall Ship

If you see a big Russian tall ship floating in Burrard Inlet during the Games, it's all part of the festivities surrounding the Olympics. On Feb 10th the four-masted sailing ship **Kruzenshtern** will call Vancouver home as part of a promotion of the Sochi 2014 Winter Games. The ship will be accessible at North Vancouver's Burrard Dry Dock several days a week as well as for private sailings. The Russian President is expected to pay a visit as well as other senior Russian dignitaries. The best way to access it is via the SeaBus link across Burrard Inlet between downtown Vancouver and North Vancouver.

Saskatchewan Pavilion

Located in between BC Place Stadium and Sochi House (Science World) in Vancouver, this free pavilion will consist of two structures. One will house a business centre, the other an entertainment venue featuring Saskatchewan entertainment and food. There will also be a pavilion at Whistler during the Paralympics. Through these venues, people from Canada, and around the world, will be able to learn about Saskatchewan business opportunities, vacation destinations, immigration and quality of life.

Sochi House (Russia)

The Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be a significant milestone for the Sochi 2014 program since Russia's Sochi will officially take over and become the focus of the next Winter Olympic Games. Unprecedented in its scale, the Sochi2014.ru World, *Rusky Dom* project is the official location for the Russian delegation in Vancouver.

The doors to Sochi World will be open from February 11- 28 2010 for everyone who wants to become a part of the big Russian celebration at the Vancouver 2010 Games. It will bring together well-known athletes, eager fans and officials from around the world. Guests of Sochi World will be able to get to know a new, modern Russia, where innovation is balanced with tradition: exhibition halls and informational booths will introduce everyone to the city and country that will host the Sochi 2014 Games. The cultural program, legendary Russian cuisine, performances by famous Russian and Canadian artists and, of course, the guests will all help to create an unforgettable, truly Russian festive atmosphere.

Surrey 2010 Celebration Zone

This celebration zone at Holland Park in Surrey is promising two fun filled weeks of excitement and activity for the whole family! The sliding zone, skating rink and curling zone will be a great way to take in some classic Olympic sports and winter activities. Step into the future with Simon Fraser University's cutting edge Interactive Digital Media display, explore your creativity in their Kids World craft tent or cozy up in the Storytelling tent sponsored by Surrey Libraries. The activities are abundant so bring your energy and enthusiasm to the Festival Activity Zone and prepare for an experience of Olympic proportions!



Best of all, the RCMP Musical Ride will be performing shows daily, as well as other classic Canadian entertainment. Representing a colorful tradition and ceremony through the horse and the scarlet uniform, the RCMP created a spectacle known globally as the Musical Ride. The Musical Ride will provide an opportunity for people from all around the world an opportunity to experience part of Canadian heritage and national identity.

USA House

USA House will be located at the corner of Seymour & Nelson, just steps from Irish House. Unlike the other venues, it is rumored that USA House will not be open to the public, but will have a "Team USA" store. The first floor will feature a registration area, the Team USA store and a media work area. The second and third floors will feature open spaces where visitors can watch events and where USOC staff offices will be located. It will be open daily from 10 am-1 am.

ValleyFest

Located on the beautiful North Shore Mountains, the District of North Vancouver will be ground zero for a special community celebration during the Games. ValleyFest is a 17 day event taking place in Lynn Valley and will feature live entertainment, childrens activities as well as a large screen TV broadcasting various sporting events. Join a 3 on 3 ball hockey game, try "kurling" or participate in their outdoor playground and cafe. Explore the history of sport and heritage at the Discovery Zone interpretive centre. You also shouldn't miss the Olympic Torch as it makes it way through town on Feb 10. Local organizers assure CityCaucus.com this will be a family-friendly venue that will be fun for all ages. The venue is free and will be programmed Feb 12-28. All events take place in Lynn Valley Village Square.

Vancouver "Streets to Watch"

There will basically be four main thoroughfares in the downtown core which will have festive programming on a daily basis. These include **Robson, Hamilton, Mainland** and **Granville Streets**. With the exception of Robson Street (which will be closed east of Jervis street only) all the streets will become pedestrian-only thoroughfares.

Vancouver Art Gallery / British Columbia Pavilion

The Vancouver Art Gallery located at Georgia & Howe Streets is a historic site was once home to the British Columbia courthouse. During the Games it will transform into the **British Columbia Pavilion** (located on the 4th floor). You can expect to see a number of interactive displays that will highlight the rich cultural fabric of both British Columbia and Canada. Visitors will get complete access to the Art Gallery for free during the Games and the venue is anticipated to be open between 9:00 am – 9:00 pm daily. There will also be a special Leonardo DaVinci exhibit available for public viewing. Located in the heart of downtown across from the largest Canadian flag in the world and right beside the GE outdoor skating rink, this will become a popular gathering place.

Vancouver City Hall

You can expect that Vancouver City Hall at 12th Avenue & Cambie Street will become a hub of activity during the 2010 Games. A parade of dignitaries will be making their way in and out of the Mayor's office. This is also the site of the 1952 Oslo Flag which is encased in glass on the main floor of the building just as you enter. Once the Games are over, the flag will be placed back in its special case and delivered to the Mayor of Sochi, Russia, host of the 2014 Winter Games. Nightly light displays take place after dark at the top of the hour on outside of City Hall. The show is called *Ice Light* by Gunda Forster.

Vectorial Elevation (English Bay)

More than two million people are expected to view the *Vectorial Elevation Light Display* installation *in person* as well as internationally by television. The English Bay event runs regardless of weather conditions until February 28, 2010. Visitors to this website can design how the lights will move, their angles and how they are clustered in timed sequences to create their own patterns for the world to see. A personalized webpage will be automatically created for each participant to document their design. Organizers estimate 130,000 different patterns will be created in the 24 days the project operates from dusk to dawn.

West Vancouver Spirit Square

Over the course of the 17 days of the Olympics, West Vancouver--a venue city--will activate their Spirit Square. Discover your inner explorer and soar into the cosmos with the Canadian Space Agency. This rare experience provides a fun and interactive learning experience for everyone. Enjoy your self-guided tour of a scale model of the International Space Station and gain a sense of what it's like to live, work and play sports in space. Models of Canadarm2 and Dextre will be there for all ages to enjoy. Evenings will come alive with an array of national and local talent, from rock to pop to classical performances in the Atrium. Celebrations at West Vancouver's Spirit Square will showcase the unique character of the West Vancouver community featuring live performances, visual artistry, traditional and contemporary music.

Whistler Round-up

Whistler Live! is where the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games come to life with an energetic fusion of sport, art and entertainment. For 27 days, Whistler's wintery pedestrian village will pulsate from 9 am to 11 pm against the spectacular backdrop of Whistler and Blackcomb mountains. A diverse range of free and unique Whistler Live! experiences offer a dazzling taste of Whistler's iconic mountain culture. Cheer on the athletes during CTV sport broadcasts; be moved by medals presentations; take in daily après concerts; enjoy film and photography; hear legendary tales and listen to DJs light up the nightly Fire & Ice Remix. Not accessible without a Sea-to-Sky pass.

WinterFest at Lonsdale

A 17 day WinterFest celebration is planned for Lonsdale Quay, a popular tourist destination situated on the waterfront in North Vancouver. Organizers are planning numerous concerts, face painting, live cultural and street performances and much more. A large screen on site will broadcast CTV's live Olympic coverage. Kid's activities feature a newly renovated ballroom and animated play area with games and rides open daily from 9am – 9pm. Face painting and the ever-popular 'Q' balloons will be offered daily from 11am – 4pm. Special guest appearances from costumed Alice in Wonderland and the Mad- Hatter as well as BC Parks Jerry the Moose and a Ranger. If you like live music and entertainment and want to have loads of fun, be sure to drop by during the Games! The best way to get there from Vancouver is TransLink's SeaBus service between downtown and North Vancouver.

Ziptrek Vancouver (Robson Square)

Perched above the law courts at Robson Square, you can zip 170 meters (550') across Robson Street. Guests will zip an exhilarating six stories high over Vancouver's iconic downtown core! This unique endeavor will provide visitors the opportunity to experience the thrill and exhilaration of ziplining – brought to prominence in North America by Ziptrek's flagship operation in Whistler. This once-in-a-lifetime experience happens during the Olympics, and best of all **it's free!** The zipline will start operation on Feb 12th and run through Feb 28th. The hours of operation are 10:00 am - 9:00 pm daily. Bring your camera and expect long line-ups!

Just want to shop???

Expect to see a lot of red mittens like the ones at right on TV during the Games. These mittens are the "hot" item and Canadians have been buying them up as advertisements encouraged them to "wear their hearts on their hands". And who said Canadians aren't as openly patriotic as Americans?

You can get some, too, by just crossing the border and going to the Zeller's in White Rock (or any other Zellers, Sears or Bay store in BC) that all sell official Olympic clothing and souvenirs. Items range from infant clothing to adult sportswear and stuffed animals to shot glasses....



Official Vancouver 2010 Olympic Store www.vancouver2010.com/store

This is where to purchase official collectible items that celebrate the 2010 Games.

Resources for Learning More

Wallechinsky, D. (2009). *The Complete Book of the Winter Olympics: Vancouver Edition – Winter 2010*. Vancouver: Greystone Books. Considered the "Bible of the Winter Olympics," this authoritative text (now in its 8th edition) is filled with history, statistics, and anecdotes ranging from the astonishing to the bizarre. Published in anticipation of the 2010 Vancouver Games, *The Complete Book of the Winter Olympics* has everything you want to know about the Winter Games and has been expanded to include the rules and scoring for all the upcoming events, as well as the results from the 2006 Turin Games. From speed skating to snowboarding, bobsled to ice hockey, the book offers an abundance of Winter Olympic history, anecdotes, and lore, bringing alive the most dramatic moments from the Games and celebrating the many extraordinary individuals who have competed.

Official Site of Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games www.vancouver2010.com

An informational resource designed to inform individuals about every possible aspect of the Vancouver 2010 Games.

Official Website for 2010 Olympic Tickets and Accommodation Sales www.CoSport.com

CoSport is the official ticket agent of the 2010 Vancouver Olympics for US residents. The site offers individual event ticket sales, as well as hospitality and accommodation packages. Packages include event tickets, hotel accommodations, and transportation to the games through the Olympic Organizing Committee. ***[Note: Our proximity to Vancouver allows us to buy tickets at the Vancouver 2010 ticket office downtown and at Canadian prices!]***

2010 Legacies Now/ Vancouver Winter Olympic Games www.2010legaciesnow.com/content/home.asp

This website has a lot of information about the Vancouver community and its anticipation of the winter games in 2010. It shares how art, sports and recreation are being promoted to children and adults in the British Columbia community. There is also information on summer camps for children that focus on art and sport.

Official Website of the Olympic Games www.olympic.org

This is a great place for people to research and explore the winter and summer games. The site provides information and history on past and upcoming Olympic Games. The website also provides insight into what the Olympic movement is and what the goal of the games are. In addition, the website provides a list of the numerous sports and events available in the Olympics, athlete's biographies, news, Olympic organizations and links to other Olympic websites.

The International Olympic Academy www.ioa.org.gr/links.htm

The International Olympic Academy website provides information on the vision of the Olympic Games, a history of the early games in Athens, a description of the Olympic movement and a look at the history of the IOA.

International Paralympic Committee www.paralympic.org

The International Paralympic Committee site has news and information on the Paralympic Games and athletes. This site helps to promote, fundraise and inform people about the importance of the Paralympics and talks about resources and programs for children and individuals who would like to compete and participate in these games.

Team USA www.teamusa.org

This is the official website of the US Olympic Committee with details about competing Olympic and Paralympic athletes and more! Their official online shop is at www.usolympicshop.com/home/default.cfm?SID=8723.

CBC Sports – Olympics www.cbc.ca/olympics

News from the host country of the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympic Games.

NBC OLYMPICS.com www.nbcolympics.com

NBC created this website featuring daily highlights, commentaries, news, athlete's profiles, event schedules and results. There are links to each sport plus information and interactive maps.

K-12 STUDY CANADA www.k12studycanada.org

This website is a gateway for teaching and learning all about Canada, including the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympic Games. Lesson plans created by American teachers who attended the annual *STUDY CANADA Summer Institute* are posted. Supplementary documents are also available there (including a VANOC-created PowerPoint slide show). Additional Internet resources on Canada identified in the vast Links section and teacher loan-kits can be booked at www.k12studycanada.org/resources_teacher_resources.asp#K-12_STUDY_CANADA_Teacher_Loan-Kits.