

# HOLIDAY LOCAL SPOTS



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# LOCAL STORES

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## CUPCAKES R US

52 Fir Street, Toronto, ON, L5G 3M5

Owner: Sandra Smith

(416) 555 - 5642

Insta: @CupcakesRus

Facebook: @getcupcakes

[CupcakesRUs.com](http://CupcakesRUs.com)

*Gluten Free & Vegan Cupcakes*



## POTTERS CHRISTMAS STORE

19158 48 Ave, Surrey, BC V3Z 1B2

Owner: Ed Holden

(604) 576-5011

[Social Link](#)

[potters.ca](http://potters.ca)

*Potters Nursery operates a unique full-service garden centre located in Surrey, British Columbia, Canada.*

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# LOCAL STORES

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## PARTY CITY

1361 Lougheed Hwy. #103, Coquitlam  
Owner: Party City Holdco Inc.  
(604) 521-2132

[Social Link](#)

[www.partycity.ca](http://www.partycity.ca)

*Get the party started! Find everything you need on your shopping list, whether you browse online or at one of our party stores, at an affordable price.*



## OLD FAITHFUL SHOP

1985 W 4th Ave, Vancouver, BC  
Owner: Walter Manning  
604-568-0542

[Social Link](#)

[oldfaithfulshop.com](http://oldfaithfulshop.com)

*At Old Faithful Shop we value the convergence of design, craftsmanship and sustainability to elevate our daily lives. We believe in the enduring power of exceptional products and this has inspired us to curate a collection of Old Faithful pieces – trusty, well-built heirlooms that embody timeless design and only grow more valuable with usage.*

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# RESTAURANTS

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## HARBOUR CRUISES

501 Denman Street

Owner: Graham Clarke

(604) 688-7246

[Social Link](#)

[harbourcruises.com](http://harbourcruises.com)

*Harbour Cruises is Vancouver's first choice for dinner cruises and tours sailing through Vancouver Harbour.*



## FALSE CREEK YACHT CLUB

1661 Granville St.

(604) 682-3292

[Social Link](#)

[www.fcyc.com](http://www.fcyc.com)

*The False Creek Yacht Club is a small private club nestled into the bustling shores of Vancouver's False Creek. Known locally as 'The Star of False Creek', our marina is home to about 100 water vessels (both power and sailing) and more than 250 full-time members.*

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# RESTAURANTS

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## THE REFINERY

1115 Granville St, Vancouver  
Owner: Raymond Staniscia  
(604) 687-8001

[Social Link](#)

[therefineryvancouver.com](http://therefineryvancouver.com)

*Located in the heart of downtown Vancouver, this unique and exclusive second level cocktail lounge features beautiful decor, elegant lighting, an 18ft full-service bar, and much more.*

*The GRNHSE is ideal for an escape from the hustle and bustle of the Granville Entertainment District and offers a menu fit for all tastebuds. Sip through our hand-crafted cocktails and enjoy a get away that doesn't need to be so far away. Located upstairs at 1115 Granville Street, between Helmcken and Davie.*



## JOE FORTES SEAFOOD & CHOP HOUSE

777 Thurlow St  
Owner: David Aisenstat  
(604) 669-1940

[Social Link](#)

[www.joefortes.ca](http://www.joefortes.ca)

*In keeping with the reputation of the man whose name we adopted, Joe Fortes Seafood & Chop House has achieved legendary status in Vancouver.*

*For over 35 years, Joe Fortes has consistently earned and maintained its reputation as an award-winning Vancouver restaurant. Guests from the world over have come to expect a dynamic culinary experience in this San Francisco styled seafood grill that always delivers more – more hospitality, more variety and more buzz.*

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# CAFE'S

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## LE MARCHÉ ST. GEORGE

4393 St George St, Vancouver  
Owner: Pascal Roy and Jakani Larsen  
(604) 565-5107

[Social Link](#)

[marchestgeorge.com](http://marchestgeorge.com)

*Le Marché St George is a general store, a café, an occasional event space, and a home. It's a place where everyone is welcome. It's real people making real things. It's Christmas events where Santa comes to take photos with families all day to raise funds for the food bank. It's spontaneous moments where musicians come to play.*



## FORAGE

1300 Robson St, Vancouver  
Owner: Chef Chris Whittaker and  
Welbert Choi  
(604) 661-1400

[Social Link](#)

[foragevancouver.com](http://foragevancouver.com)

*Forage connects diners to local fishers, foragers, and farmers. Our menu is – first and foremost – delicious, but also reflective of our uncompromising commitment to local ingredients and building community through shared plates.*

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# CAFE'S

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## JAM CAFE ON BEATTY

556 Beatty St, Vancouver, BC V6B 2L3

Owner: Mike Deas-Dawlish, Jim Walmsley, and Candy Walmsley

(778) 379-1992

[Social Link](#)

[jamcafes.com](http://jamcafes.com)

*We are a breakfast and brunch cafe located in Victoria and Vancouver. The original Jam opened on Herald St. in Victoria in the spring of 2012 and was immediately embraced by the City and it's dining community. As the popularity of Jam grew, we knew that we needed to expand our operations and in early 2016 we opened our second venue in downtown Vancouver on Beatty.*



## BREAKFAST TABLE

3014 Granville St, Vancouver

Owner: George Koay and Michael Lee  
(604) 805-1900

[Social Link](#)

[www.breakfasttable.ca](http://www.breakfasttable.ca)

*Breakfast Table is a family business that seeks to provide unique Asian flavour influences to Vancouver diners. Launched in September 2016 by brothers-in-law George Koay and Michael Lee to bring their own perspective to brunch in Vancouver. Each had been working in the restaurant industry for over a decade and wanted something that would be their own, a reflection of their values. With a focus on quality ingredients, thoughtful preparations and authentic cultural influences in a welcoming, warm environment.*

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# BREWERIES

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## BRASS NECK BREWING

2148 Main St, Vancouver, BC V5T 3C5

Owner: Nigel Springthorpe  
and Conrad Gmoser

(236) 485-1398

[Social Link](#)

[brassneck.ca](http://brassneck.ca)

*Brassneck Brewery is a brewing company located in Main Street that started last October 2, 2013. It is a small local brewery that comes with a tasting room and a growler shop that is providing their service on the locals of Mount Pleasant and the nearby areas. The brewing process of the Vancouver craft beer is pretty straightforward.*



## MAIN STREET BREWING

261 E 7th Ave, Vancouver, BC V5T 0B8

Owner: Nigel Pike, Cameron Forsyth,  
Wendy Nicolay, David Nicolay  
and Robert Edmonds

(604) 336-7711

[Social Link](#)

[mainstreetbeer.ca](http://mainstreetbeer.ca)

*Tucked into an historic heritage building that was formerly the heart of the Vancouver brewing scene in the late 1800s, Main St. has been producing offbeat, outside-the-box and unconventional beers since it first launched in 2014.*

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# BREWERIES

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## 33 ACRES BREWING

15 W 8th Ave, Vancouver, BC V5Y 1M8

Owner: Josh Michnik

(604) 620-4589

[Social Link](#)

[33acresbrewing.com](http://33acresbrewing.com)

*It was always the aim of 33 Acres owner Josh Michnik to create a community brewery in the heart of the city's Mount Pleasant area, and the extended opening hours here reflect that. You can pop in for an espresso first thing, sit in for some lunch later on, then enjoy a post-shift pint and some snacks or pizza.*



## RED TRUCK BREWING

295 E 1st Ave, Vancouver, BC V5T 1A7

Owner: Mark James

(604) 682-4733

[Social Link](#)

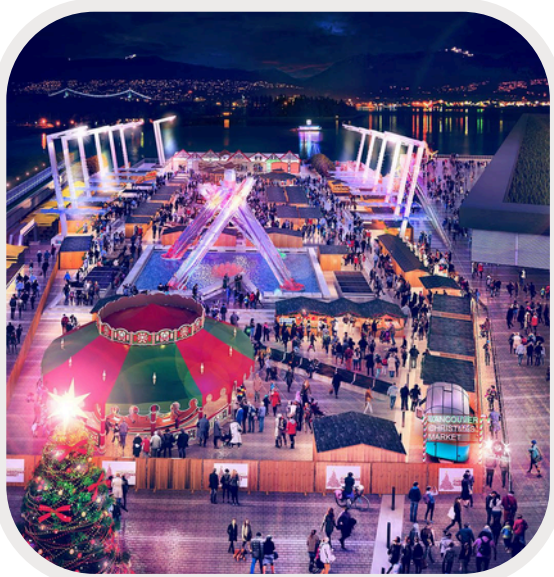
[redtruckbeer.com](http://redtruckbeer.com)

*Red Truck Red Truck Beer is built on the values of a simpler time. When bars served beer and whiskey only. When trucks were working vehicles, not status symbols. And when the only people you needed to share a sunset with were sitting right next to you. That's why we keep our beer simple. No preservatives. No pasteurization. No compromises. No BS.*

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# OUTDOOR ATTRACTIONS

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## VANCOUVER CHRISTMAS MARKET

1055 Canada Pl, Vancouver, BC

Owner: Malte Kluetz and Murray Seward

[Social Link](#)

[vancouverchristmasmarket.com](http://vancouverchristmasmarket.com)

*Discover unique treasures to fill stockings or tuck under the Christmas tree at over 90 artisan huts, offering handcrafted gifts for everyone on your list. Food lovers can indulge in Glühwein (mulled wine), German and Austrian beers, and a delightful range of sweet and savoury treats.*



## VANDUSEN FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

5251 Oak St, Vancouver, BC V6M 4H1

Owner: Vancouver Botanical Gardens Association (VBGA) and the City of Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

(604) 257-8463

[Social Link](#)

[vancouver.ca](http://vancouver.ca)

*Step into a botanical wonderland this holiday season at VanDusen Festival of Lights. Explore 15 acres adorned with over 1 million twinkling lights, featuring a new interactive mycelium installation, and a display inspired by the Great Bear Rainforest of BC.*

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# OUTDOOR ATTRACTIONS

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## STANLEY PARK BRIGHT NIGHTS TRAIN

690 Pipeline Rd, Vancouver, BC

Owner: City of Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

(604) 257-8530

[Social Link](#)

[vancouver.ca](http://vancouver.ca)

*Bundle up the family and join us for a holiday experience like no other, as our iconic locomotives once again wind their way through the magical Stanley Park forest, alight with thousands of sparkling lights. Kids of all ages will cherish memories of riding the Stanley Park Train at Bright Nights for years to come.*



## PNE WINTER FAIR

2901 E Hastings St.

Owner: City of Vancouver

(604) 253 – 2311

[Social Link](#)

[www.pne.ca](http://www.pne.ca)

*Come and celebrate winter with us, PNE-style.*

*Join us at Discover Santa where you can embark on the ultimate journey to meet Santa Claus, test a toy, and leave a snack for your favourite reindeer, ride the PNE Holiday Express, wander through Winter Lights presented by BC Hydro – a great place to snap a photo! – and go skating – or try the Ice Bumper Cars – at the Tim Hortons Ice Rink, and then warm up with the culinary extravaganza at the Holiday Eats & Treats.*

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# INDOOR ATTRACTIONS

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## GINGERBREAD LANE AT THE HYATT REGENCY VANCOUVER

655 Burrard St, Vancouver

Owner: Pritzker family

(604) 683-1234

[Social Link](#)

[www.hyatt.com](http://www.hyatt.com)

*One of Vancouver's most enduring holiday traditions, Gingerbread Lane is back for its 32nd year at downtown's Hyatt Regency Hotel. Give yourself plenty of time to peruse the delicious-looking gingerbread constructions arranged throughout the hotel's lobby area, each one submitted by professional cooks or enthusiastic amateur teams (often including several local schools).*



## GOH BALLET'S THE NUTCRACKER, PRESENTED BY RBC

630 Hamilton St, Vancouver

Owner: Choo Chiat and Lin Yee Goh

(604) 665-2193

[Social Link](#)

[gohnutcracker.com](http://gohnutcracker.com)

*Experience Clara's dream come to life as she embarks on a magical journey through the Land of Snow, across the Lemonade Sea, to the Kingdom of Sweets where she is greeted by the enchanting Sugar Plum Fairy. An unforgettable adventure awaits as her gallant Nutcracker battles the evil Mouse King and his army of mischievous mice.*

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# INDOOR ATTRACTIONS

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## HOME ALONE WITH THE VANCOUVER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

843 Seymour St #500, Vancouver, BC  
Owner: Vancouver Symphony Society

(604) 876-3434

[Social Link](#)

[www.vanaqua.org](http://www.vanaqua.org)

*Back by popular demand! This beloved holiday classic features renowned composer John Williams' charming and delightful score performed live to picture by the VSO. Get your tickets early! Home Alone™ in Concert has become a seasonal favourite with Vancouver audiences and sells out every season.*



## HOLIDAY SPLASH AT THE VANCOUVER AQUARIUM

845 Avison Way, Vancouver, BC  
Owner: Herschend Enterprises

(778) 655-9554

[Social Link](#)

[vancouveraquarium.ca](http://vancouveraquarium.ca)

*There's no place like Vancouver Aquarium for the holidays! During Holiday Splash, Vancouver Aquarium transform into an enchanting winter water-land in the heart of Stanley Park, where the magic of the season comes alive. Make lasting family memories at Vancouver's most extraordinary holiday experience!*

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# OUTDOOR SPORTS

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## SKIING & SNOWBOARDING IN MT SEYMOUR

1700 Mt Seymour Rd, North Vancouver  
Owner: Wood family

(604) 986-2261

[Social Link](#)

[mtseymour.ca](http://mtseymour.ca)

*Fresh air, sweet turns, and adventure are only 30 minutes from downtown at Vancouver's family-owned and operated ski area.*



## SNOWSHOEING IN GROUSE MOUNTAIN

North Vancouver, BC V7R 4K9  
Owner: Northland Properties Corp.  
(604) 980-9311

[Social Link](#)

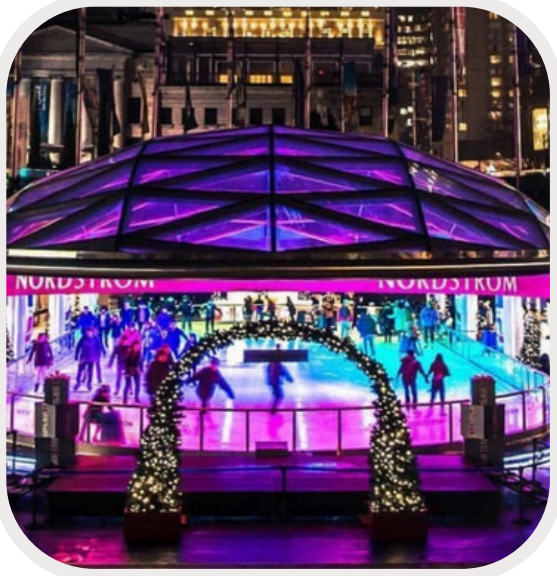
[grousemountain.com](http://grousemountain.com)

*Escape into the serene beauty of a natural winter playground. Just a short distance from the Peak Chalet, you'll find yourself a world away in our Munday Alpine Snowshoe Park. With four different trails to choose from and a perfect balance of groomed and single track snowshoeing, you will discover something new each time you visit.*

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# OUTDOOR SPORTS

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## ROBSON SQUARE ICE RINK

800 Robson St, Vancouver, BC V6Z 3B7  
Owner: British Columbia Building Corporation  
(604) 646-3554

[robsonsquare.com](http://robsonsquare.com)

*This winter, renew a classic Vancouver tradition and enjoy some old-fashioned fun. Robson Square's outdoor skating rink is open, so celebrate winter in style with skating in the heart of downtown Vancouver. It's a magical place to enjoy the winter season with your friends, family and loved ones.*



## POLAR BEAR SWIM

English Bay, Vancouver BC  
Owner: City of Vancouver

[Social Link  
vancouver.ca](http://vancouver.ca)

*The Vancouver Polar Bear Swim Club is one of the largest and oldest Polar Bear Clubs in the world. Its initial swim was in 1920 when a small number of swimmers took the plunge into English Bay on New Year's Day. Led by their founder, Peter Pantages, the swim has grown from around 10 swimmers to the new record of 2,550 official entries set in 2014.*

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# HISTORY

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## BEATY BIODIVERSITY MUSEUM

2212 Main Mall Vancouver, BC

Owner: University of British Columbia

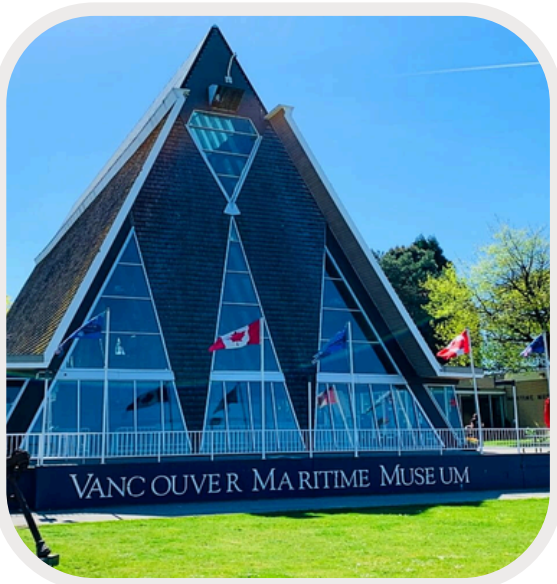
(604) 827-4955

[Social Link](#)

[beatymuseum.ubc.ca](http://beatymuseum.ubc.ca)

*Fall in love with the diversity of life as you explore over 500 exhibits, and stare through the jaws of the largest creature ever to live on Earth—the blue whale.*

*As Vancouver's natural history museum, we invite you on a journey to discover the interconnectedness of all life on Earth, and our role in preserving these delicate systems.*



## VANCOUVER MARITIME MUSEUM

1905 Ogden Ave Vancouver

Owner: The museum is affiliated with CMA, CHIN, and Virtual Museum of Canada.

(604) 257-8300

[Social Link](#)

[vanmaritime.com](http://vanmaritime.com)

*For over 60 years, the Vancouver Maritime Museum has been sharing stories about the Pacific Northwest and the Arctic and creating experiences that build bridges between the past and future.*

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# HISTORY

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## VANCOUVER ART GALLERY

750 Hornby St, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2H7

Owner: Government of British Columbia

(604) 662-4700

[Social Link](#)

[vanartgallery.bc.ca](http://vanartgallery.bc.ca)

*Founded in 1931, the Vancouver Art Gallery is recognized as one of North America's most innovative visual arts institutions. The Gallery's celebrated exhibitions, extensive public programs and emphasis on advancing scholarship focus on historical and contemporary art from British Columbia and around the world.*



## MUSEUM OF VANCOUVER

1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver

Owner: City of Vancouver

(604) 736-4431

[Social Link](#)

[museumofvancouver.ca](http://museumofvancouver.ca)

*The Museum of Vancouver (MOV) connects Vancouverites to each other and connects the city to the world. An enthusiastic civic advocate, MOV is dedicated to encouraging a deeper understanding of Vancouver through stories, objects and shared experiences. Its mission is to be a gathering space that fosters connection, learning and new experiences of Vancouver's diverse communities and histories.*

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# FOR KIDS

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## THE GRANVILLE ISLAND TOY COMPANY

1496 Cartwright St, Vancouver

Owner: Joanna Mileos and Craig Hartman

(604) 684-0076

[Social Link](#)

[toycompany.com](http://toycompany.com)

*Mention the name "The Granville Island Toy Company" and seldom will you find a Vancouverite who doesn't know what you are talking about. Our flagship store (located in Kids Market on Granville Island) has been serving generations of families for almost 40 years! People who used to come in as children are now coming to the store with their own kids and even grandkids!*



## TOYS'R'US

1154-1174 W Broadway

Owner: Tru Kids, Vornado Realty Trust  
(604) 733-8697

[Social Link](#)

[www.toysrus.ca](http://www.toysrus.ca)

*Since 1984, Toys'R'Us Canada has been Canada's dedicated specialty retailer of toys and baby products. The company brings national brands, exclusive products, innovative loyalty programs and unique partnerships to Canadians at its 81 stores across Canada and through its e-commerce sites Toysrus.ca and Babiesrus.ca. Committed to giving back to its communities, the company focuses its charity efforts on supporting children and their families – whether enhancing resources and services, helping development through play or offering encouragement to seriously ill children.*

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## KIDS MARKET

1496 Cartwright St, Vancouver  
Owner: Canada Mortgage and  
Housing Corporation

(604) 689-8447

[Social Link](#)

[kidsmarket.ca](http://kidsmarket.ca)

*Since 1984, Kids Market on Granville Island has been helping families make childhood memories.*

*Our locally owned and operated two level building in the heart of Vancouver has been devoted to fun for 40 years, and we take our job very seriously!*



## SCIENCE WORLD

1455 Quebec St, Vancouver  
Owner: City of Vancouver,  
Province of BC

(604) 443-7440

[Social Link](#)

[scienceworld.ca](http://scienceworld.ca)

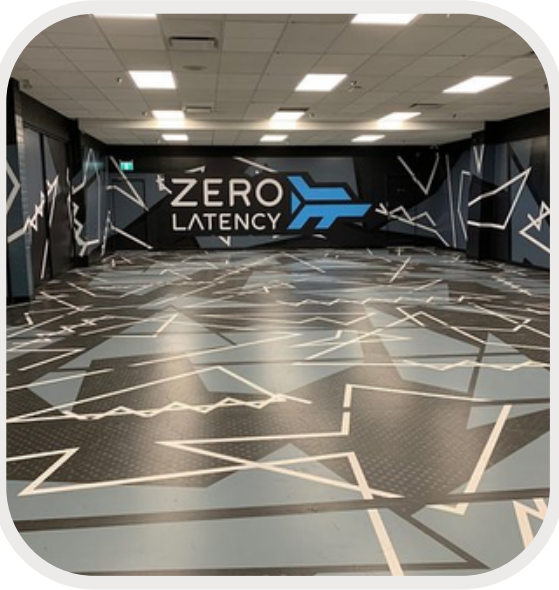
*Science World is a charitable non-profit and science centre based in Vancouver, BC that engages learners across the province in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art & design and math).*

*Visitors to our iconic geodesic dome explore interactive, hands-on exhibits and galleries that nurture their process of discovery and inspire connection with their natural, physical and built environments.*

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# ENTERTAINMENT

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## ZERO LATENCY

Kingsgate Mall, 370 E Broadway Unit #101, Vancouver, BC V5T 4G5

Owner: Karen Krywulak and Winston Cabell

(604) 423-4753

[Social Link](#)

[zerolatencybc.com](http://zerolatencybc.com)

*Welcome to Zero Latency, Vancouver's premier virtual reality arcade where cutting-edge VR experiences await. Step into our state-of-the-art facility and immerse yourself in the latest VR games that push the boundaries of reality. Whether you're looking to play solo player or with 2 or more friends, our multi-player stations offer something for everyone, from exhilarating simulators to thrilling escape rooms.*



## SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER

900 Burrard St, Vancouver

Owner: Cineplex Entertainment

(604) 630-1407

[Social Link](#)

[www.cineplex.com](http://www.cineplex.com)

*Modern multiplex cinema chain screening the latest Hollywood films, plus new independent releases.*

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# ENTERTAINMENT

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## VANCOUVER CANUCKS IN ROGERS ARENA

800 Griffiths Wy, Vancouver

Owner: Aquilini Investment Group

(604) 899-7400

[Social Link](#)

[www.ticketmaster.ca](http://www.ticketmaster.ca)

*The Vancouver Canucks play their home games at the 475,000-square foot Rogers Arena, which also played host to the 2010 Winter Olympic Games where Sidney Crosby scored the "Golden Goal." A staple of downtown Vancouver, the Canucks played their first game at the arena on October 9, 1995.*



## BILLIE EILISH HIT ME HARD AND SOFT: THE TOUR

800 Griffiths Wy, Vancouver

Owner: Aquilini Investment Group

(604) 899-7400

[Social Link](#)

[rogersarena.com](http://rogersarena.com)

*Billie Eilish Pirate Baird O'Connell (born December 18, 2001), known professionally as Billie Eilish, is an American singer and songwriter born and raised in Los Angeles, California. Working alongside her older brother Finneas, her co-writer and producer, she's taken the internet by storm with her haunting vocals and eerily beautiful lyrics and genre-defying production that was poised to breakout.*

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# HIKING

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## HOLLYBURN PEAK – CYPRESS MOUNTAIN

6000 Cypress Bowl Rd, West Vancouver  
BC V7V 3N9

Owner: Boyne Resorts

(604) 926-5612

[Social Link](#)

[cypressmountain.com](http://cypressmountain.com)

*Hollyburn Peak via Winter Access Trail Loop is a 6.9-kilometre moderately trafficked loop trail featuring a lake. The trail is primarily used for hiking and snowshoeing and is accessible year-round.*



## DOG MOUNTAIN – MOUNT SEYMOUR

1700 Mt Seymour Rd, North

Vancouver, BC V7G 1L3

Owner: Wood family

(604) 986-2261

[Social Link](#)

[mtseymour.ca](http://mtseymour.ca)

*During winter, some trails such as the Goldie Lake, Flower Lake, and Mystery Lake trails fall under the Controlled Recreation Area maintained by Mt Seymour Resorts Ltd. During these months, the purchase of a valid Area Pass is required for access to the trails.*

*Trails beyond our Controlled Recreation Area remain open during winter, but may have capacity and parking restrictions. From mid-December to mid-April, a BC Parks parking permit is necessary.*

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# HIKING

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## KENNEDY FALLS

North Vancouver, BC V7K 1X8

[www.alltrails.com](http://www.alltrails.com)

*Kennedy Falls is a picturesque waterfall that is often considered to be the most impressive on the North Shore. It is particularly lively during snowmelt in the later spring, with May usually being the best month to visit. This route also passes by Big Cedar, a popular landmark and one of the largest remaining old-growth trees on the North Shore.*



## DIEZ VISTAS AND LAKE BUNTZEN LOOP

Anmore, BC

[www.alltrails.com](http://www.alltrails.com)

*Enjoy this 13.0-km loop trail near Anmore, British Columbia. Generally considered a challenging route, it takes an average of 4 h 31 min to complete. This is a very popular area for hiking and running, so you'll likely encounter other people while exploring. The best times to visit this trail are February through October. Dogs are welcome, but must be on a leash.*

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