

# **NEWS RELEASE**

#### SHIPYARDS SKATE PLAZA SEASON EXTENDED TO SPRING BREAK

**CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER, BC – February 24, 2022...** Families have more ways to have fun and keep their kids busy as the City of North Vancouver has extended The Shipyards Skate Plaza season to March 28.

The region's largest outdoor skating rink is located in the City's popular Shipyards and is normally closed at the end of February to prepare for spring activities. The season has been extended to provide families in the City with more options to stay active and healthy through to Spring Break.

"As a mother of four children I know how important it is that fun, active, and affordable activities be accessible for families," said Mayor Linda Buchanan. "The past two years have been challenging for all of us, especially children. But brighter days are ahead. Ensuring that programming and activities are in place over Spring Break supports the health, wellbeing, and resiliency of children and families while creating a vibrant community for all to enjoy."

From public skating to community events, residents and families have the following opportunities to explore, play and learn in the City throughout the month of March.

# Shipyards Skate Plaza - Open until March 28

Enjoy a visit to the City's 12,000 square foot, free public <u>skate plaza</u> at The Shipyards, open daily from 1 to 8 p.m. In accordance with provincial health guidelines, masks are no longer mandatory on the ice and we have lifted the 50% capacity limit. Skating, helmets and aides are available for free. Skates can be rented for a small fee. Please plan ahead to avoid peak times. Visit <u>cnv.org/skateplaza</u> for updates and more information.

### **Explore with Kid City Map**

Walk, ride or roll along the Spirit Trail or Green Necklace, take an evening stroll down the Burrard Dry Dock Pier with its twinkling lights, or explore the City's newest playground at Hamersley Park. Learn about our local parks, trails and public art with the <u>Kid City Map</u>.

## **Learn How Our City Works**

Are your kids curious about City Hall, City Council, and what the City of North Vancouver does for our community? Check out the new and improved 'How Our City Works' pamphlet.

#### **Spring Adventures at City Library**

The North Vancouver City Library has free, fun activities for all ages including <u>'Take & Make'</u> arts n' craft kits, <u>Tween Trivia & Gaming</u>, and <u>Build a Bristlebot</u> workshops. Keep an eye out around town for the City Library book bike, <u>Spokes n' Words</u>.

#### **Get Active with NVRC**

Now's the time to visit your local Community Recreation Centre! Whether you're getting active or expressing your creativity, the <u>North Vancouver Recreation Commission</u> has plenty of programs and amenities to enjoy at every age.

The Shipyard Commons outdoor skate plaza is located on the waterfront at The Shipyards, and is set against the beautiful backdrop of downtown Vancouver and the North Shore mountains.

For more updates on spring break events in the City of North Vancouver, visit the Community Calendar at <a href="mailto:cnv.org/communitycalendar">cnv.org/communitycalendar</a>.

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