



## Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

2015 Calendar of Major Special Events  
February 2, 2015

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# Recommendation

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THAT the Board receive the 2015 Calendar of Major Special Events for information.



# Background

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- Park Board assembles an annual list of major special events scheduled to take place over the coming year
- Major special events require:
  - Exclusive use to a location
  - Variance to one or more Park Board by-laws
- Park Board reviews and approves new major special events as well as changes or revisions to existing major special events



## Background

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- Large scale events that involve locations or activities outside of Park Board jurisdiction are coordinated through the City's Festival Expediting Staff Team Committee
  - VPD, VF&RS, BC Ambulance Service, BC LC&LB, City Special Events, Traffic Management and Park Board
- Events not included in the 2015 Calendar of Major Special Events are forwarded to the Board for consideration on a case-by-case basis



# Key Considerations

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- Major special events:
  - Activate public spaces
  - Enhance the vibrancy of our city
  - Provide enriching cultural experiences
- Many events also:
  - Generate important economic benefits
  - Enable fundraising opportunities for non-profit organizations



# 2015 Calendar of Major Special Events

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- Contains over 90 major special events
- Events are distributed throughout the year and throughout the Park Board network
  - Seasonal summer peak
  - Large amount of events in Stanley Park
- Calendar specifically sets out some of the required Stanley Park road closures necessary to accommodate marquee events



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