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Around the House (1) - Strata AGM

We take this opportunity to remind owners that the Strata Annual General Meeting will take place on Saturday January 12th, 2013, in the Parksville Room on the 3rd floor of the North Tower. If you are unable to attend, please collect a Proxy form from the desk.



Around The House (2) - Just to clarify....

Your One Wall strata fees don't include the electricity and gas you may use in your suite. If you haven't already done so, you need to set up your own accounts with Fortis BC and BC Hydro, or risk having your services cut off.

Around Town (1) - BC Wine Appreciation Society

You may want to join the Society in the New Year. Their first event, on January 14th, is a tasting of 14 Syrah wines at the Listel Hotel. The evening will feature the top-four ranked Syrah from the Wine Access Canadian wine awards, along with three international bottles for comparison.



Tickets are \$37 for members and \$52 for guests. Follow the links at www.bcwas.com for more information.

Also on the topic of wine, tickets for the Vancouver International Wine Festival are now in very short supply. If you plan to attend, you should buy your tickets right away, from www.vanwinefest.ca.

Around Town (2) - Noodle Tasting Tour.

Vancouver Foodster is going crazy over noodles. His next Tasting Plates is a culinary tour of Vancouver eateries that specialize in all types of noodles, from chow mein to spaghetti, to ramen, udon, pad Thai and more.



You buy a ticket, and then, on January 13th, travel to the participating restaurant which will serve up tasting plates or bowls. Before January 10th, tickets cost \$30, after that \$40. Noodle Mania tickets are available at EventBrite.ca.



Around Town (3) - Ice Skating Downtown

The Robson Square Ice Rink, just about 3 blocks away, is open and will remain in operation until February 28th. Their hours are Sunday to Thursday 9am-9pm, Friday and Saturday 9am-11pm. There is attractive lighting, and music plays

while you glide around the rink, at least during the evenings.



It's worth watching, even if you don't want to risk life and limb yourself. Skate rentals are \$4, but the skating itself is free. There's also a concession stand right by the ice, serving snacks and warm drinks. See www.RobsonSquare.com for all the info'.

Around Town (4) - Australia Day Party

Its Aussie rules for House Wine's Australia Day celebration. It's throwing a party with more than 40 different wineries and 120 wines from across Australia, so everyone can raise a glass to the country's birthday. The party isn't until January 25th at the Stanley Park Pavilion, but you can buy tickets (\$55) beforehand. See www.HouseWine.ca for all the details. And be prepared to make it home on foot, by bus or by cab, as driving will be out of the question.

Around Town (5) - Spring Awakening

Spring Awakening is a contemporary musical theatre gem. It's a rock musical adaptation of an 1891 German play, *Spring Awakening* by Frank Wedekind. It explores teenage self-discovery and emerging sexuality against the backdrop of a repressive 19th century Germany. Over the years productions of the show have won 8 Tony Awards, 4 Drama Desk Awards, 4 Olivier Awards and a Grammy for Best musical show album.



It begins on January 31st and runs until late February at Studio 58, which is the in-house theatre associated with Langara College. Be warned, though: the show contains adult situations and language, and is not recommended for children.

You can buy tickets at www.ticketforce.com, or face-to-face at the Tourism Vancouver Visitor Centre at 200 Burrard Street, if you happen to be in that area of town.

Around Town (6) - Steve Wright

Steve Wright is a prototype comedian that many others continually try to follow. It was in 1982 when Wright got his big break after being booked for his first television appearance on The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson. The former "King of Late Night" enjoyed Wright's performance so much, he invited him to appear again within a week ... a rarity on The Tonight Show.

His back-to-back appearances helped put his fledgling career into high gear. The comic soon found himself performing his offbeat routines on Saturday Night Live and Late Night with David Letterman along with numerous trips back to The Tonight Show.



Don't miss Steven Wright when he'll be performing his hilarious stand-up for one night only at the River Rock Casino Resort on January 19, 2013. To get to the Casino, take the first exit from the Oak Street Bridge as you enter Richmond. Tickets are available from Ticketmaster by calling 1-855-985-5000, or online.

Around Town (7) – Heritage Christmas

Every year, Burnaby Village museum hosts a Christmas festival where kids can meet Santa Claus, tour the historical buildings, and enjoy crafts.



There is also Christmas baking, carolers, and a seasonal scavenger hunter. The festivities go on until January 4th. Please see www.BurnabyVillageMuseum.ca for all details.

Around Town (8) - Dine Out Vancouver

The Dine Out Vancouver Festival is Canada's largest celebration of eating out, attracting tens of thousands of local and visiting food enthusiasts annually to experience the city's exceptionally diverse collection of restaurants. Diners can select from hundreds of restaurants each offering unique three-course prix-fix meals, many complemented by the Wines of British Columbia and Granville Island Beer.



The festival encompasses a delicious schedule of culinary events that give festivalgoers an opportunity to enjoy unique culinary experiences including dining adventures, food and cocktail tours, cabaret dinners, wine and beer tastings, street food markets and more.

Events run from January 18th until February 3rd. All happenings are listed at www.dineoutvancouver.com.

Around Town (9) - Grim and Fischer

In this acclaimed full face mask comedy from physical theatre duo Wonderheads, an aging grandmother is pitted against the Grim Reaper and must confront the inevitable question that we all face: what is it to know your end is nigh? This is a tender telling of an absurdly epic journey. Watch

as one woman's fight for survival takes fantastical flight in a showdown with Death himself.



"...the two masked leads of this wonderful show are among the most versatile and expressive characters in any production you'll see...Grim and Fischer is utter magic." -CBC - 5 Stars. The show was the winner of the Cultchivating the Fringe Award just last year.

The show will be at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre from January 3rd until the 13th. Performance details are available at www.thecultch.com.

Further Afield – Vancouver Motor Cycle Show (held in Abbotsford, go figure)

If it's motorized and on 2 wheels (or even sometimes 3) it will be at Tradex this month, from January 17^{th} until the 20^{th} .



This show is the place to be if there is likely to be a motorbike, scooter, moped or ATV in your future. It runs at Tradex, about an hour's drive from Vancouver. The site www.fvtradex.com has all the details.

Compliments of your One Wall Concierge Team: Eleanor, Kerry and Sunny