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Around the House (1) – Leaks

If you have any old towels, rather than throw them away, it may be worth keeping them somewhere handy in your suite, just in case of a leak or overflow. We keep rags and towels at the desk for just such a purpose, but your own supply could come in handy if, say, your dishwasher drain becomes clogged and you have water running towards your cherished hardwood floor.



Around the House (2) – Pets on Leashes

We have been asked to remind all pet owners in the building that dogs must be kept on leashes whilst in any of the public areas of the complex. Your dog may be friendly enough, but not everyone is a dog lover, and some residents are quite wary of unrestrained animals. This is a One Wall Rule, and also a City of Vancouver By-Law. We thank you for your cooperation.

Around the House (3) – Locker Room Lights

Please turn off the main lights in the locker room when you have finished in there. We check the locker rooms every day, and often find that the lights have been left on.

Thank you!

Around Town (1) - Legally Blonde

The hilarious MGM film is Broadway's new smash hit musical, and now Legally Blonde the Musical is coming to Vancouver. Legally Blonde follows sorority star Elle Woods, an underestimated blonde who doesn't take no for an answer. When her boyfriend dumps her for someone more serious, Elle puts down the credit card, hits the books, and sets out to go where no Delta Nu has gone before: Harvard Law School.

Along the way, Elle proves that being true to yourself never goes out of style. The show runs from March 1st until the 6th, at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre.

Please call 1-855-985-5000 for tickets, or contact Ticketmaster.

Around Town (2) - Hugh Masekela

Legendary South African trumpeter Hugh Masekela is an innovator in the world music and jazz scene and is active as a performer, composer, producer and activist. He is best known for his integral role in Paul Simon's tour behind the classic album *Graceland*. Masekela's Grammy award-winning hit *Grazing in the Grass* sold over four million copies and made him an international star. He has collaborated with numerous artists in the USA, Africa and Europe including Miriam Makeba, Dizzy Gillespie, Harry Belafonte and Herb Albert.

Masekela's work as an activist raised international awareness of the South African government's restrictive apartheid policies. In the 80s, Masekela's hit song *Bring Him Back Home* became an anthem for the Free Nelson Mandela movement. Articulate and brilliantly musical in a number of genres, Masekela has been a defining force in world music and the struggle for human rights both in Africa and around the world. A review of Masekela in the Independent said in part: "....a musician of phenomenal grace and power: intricate and fiery on flugelhorn and still blessed with a voice that can strip the leaves from the trees."



In this tour in support of his latest album, *Phola*, Masekela on flugelhorn will combine with five other superb South African musicians to explore his incredible musical history. The concert takes place at the Chan Shun Concert Hall, on the UBC campus. It is on March 12th, and starts at 8:00pm.

Around Town (3) - Dining Out for Life

On Thursday March 24th you can make a difference. You can dine out and support people living with HIV/AIDS. Dining Out For Life is BC's largest restaurant fundraiser, benefiting A Loving Spoonful and Friends For Life. Over 230 restaurants from Whistler to White Rock and across the Fraser Valley will contribute 25% of their sales that day to people living with HIV/AIDS.



In the 16 years of its existence, Dining Out for Life in Vancouver has raised over \$3 million for HIV/AIDS support services. Invite your friends and dine at a participating restaurant for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

Presenting sponsor Sumac Ridge Estate Winery will donate \$1 from every bottle of wine sold anywhere in B.C. during the month of March.



Please see their website, at (unsurprisingly) www.dineoutforlife.com for a list of all the participating restaurants.



Around Town (4) - Wine Festival

The Vancouver Playhouse International Wine Festival opens on March 28th, and runs until April 3rd. This is one of the biggest events of the spring. The theme region this year is Spain, with a particular focus on fortified wines. In total, there are 63 events attached to the festival, which is one of the oldest and biggest in the world.



It's a week of wine seminars, minglers, pairing dinners, lunches and brunches at fine restaurants and hotels, and a gala dinner complete with auction. The tasting room will feature 702 wines from 176 producers in 14 countries. For tickets and further details, see PlayhouseWineFest.com.

Around Town (5) – California Wine Fair Ballroom Tasting

Whether you are a casual wine enthusiast or a serious wine connoisseur, don't miss this exciting opportunity to sample the finest wine from over 100 wineries from the Napa, Sonoma and Central Coast regions. Now in its 31st year of touring across Canada the 2011 California Wine Fair Ballroom Tasting includes products currently available in the market, as well as new vintage and varietals that have yet to be released to the Canadian Market.

You will also enjoy their diverse and exciting silent auction featuring hard to find private cellar wines, dinner-theatre packages, travel getaways

and more. Captivate your palate and intensify your knowledge and love of wine.



The event takes place on Friday, March 11th, at the Trade and Convention Centre, which is located at 999 Canada Place, and it's is a fundraising benefit for the Arts Club Theatre. The first corks will be drawn at 7pm.

Please call the Arts Club Theatre Box Office at 604-687-1644 for tickets.

Around Town (6) - CelticFest

The Yale and CelticFest Vancouver are thrilled to present the World's Greatest St. Patrick's *Céilídh*, a traditional Celtic social gathering comprised of live music and dancing on Thursday, March 17. It's a night destined for the good-time record books, as twelve of the hottest Celtic musicians in Canada team up for a sizzling feast of music, dance and jamming.

From supercharged jigs and reels to polkas, ballads, airs and sing-a-longs, this electrifying dozen deliver everything from on-the-spot creations to traditional tunes from all parts of the Celtic world. Tickets are available online at www.celticfestvancouver.com. Doors open at 7pm.

Further Afield – Early Spring Break?

The Bermuda department of tourism and 16 hotels on the Island are offering the Compliments of Bermuda promotion at (www.bermudatourism.com/compliments) for bookings until March 12th for travel through March 15th. Rates start from approximately \$125 US per night. Call your travel agent straight away if you are interested.

Also Further Afield - A Life on the Ocean Wave

Norwegian Cruise Line is offering free upgrades for all on selected sailings for reservations booked through March 27th. You'll also receive onboard savings of up to \$400. Contact your travel agent for more details and to make a reservation, or check out their website at (www.ncl.com/upgrade).

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