

# One WALL CENTRE

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## Around the House (1) - Canada Post Regulations

In the past, we have occasionally been able to persuade the mail carriers to release mail to us for residents who are out of town. We have now been advised that this is strictly prohibited by Canada Post rules. We will no longer be able to do this. If you plan to be away and expect to receive urgent mail, in future you must supply us at the desk with a copy of your mailbox key. We can make no exceptions to this.



## Around the House (2) – Mystery Mail

If you find letters in your mailbox that aren't for you, please pass them to the Concierge on duty. They may belong to a former One Wall resident. Many former residents are still in touch with the concierge desk and visit from time to time, so we can often pass on letters to the intended recipients.

Thank you.

## Around Town (1) – Tosca Café

According to the Playhouse program, this radically original fusion of movement and theatre conjures a world in which love, betrayal and hope emerge from the shadows and disappear with the clink of a glass. Drawing inspiration from the infamous North Beach watering hole that bears its name, Tosca Café brings internationally

acclaimed artists from San Francisco Ballet together with a cast of renowned actors.

Set to some of the best music ever made, from Hendrix to Puccini, this imaginative new work is gorgeously choreographed and achingly moving.

The production is at the Vancouver Playhouse from October 8<sup>th</sup> until the 29<sup>th</sup>. For more details please see their website at [www.vancouver-playhouse.com](http://www.vancouver-playhouse.com).

## Around Town (2) – Wicked Shorts

After a sold-out run at the Fringe, *Wicked Shorts* now transforms the Vancity Culture Lab into a fully functioning “culture café” for these short, sweet and delectable plays. *Matador Love* is a wild romantic comedy about a blind date from hell. *RendezVous* poetically reveals the inner thoughts of a waiter as he serves food on “Date Night”.

*You'll Probably Come Back* pokes fun at families, death and nosebleeds. *Monsters in the Closet* puts an absurd comic twist on secrets in the modern relationship. Enjoy a drink at your table while two versatile actors tread the stage in all these *Wicked Shorts*. Doors open each night at 7:20pm, and the show is on until October 9th.



Comments Review Vancouver, “A delight from start to finish... A performance that successfully takes turns at hilarity, pensiveness, pathos and the ridiculous.”

The Cultch is located at 1895 Venables Street in East Vancouver, and the number for the Box Office is 604-251-1363. Go early to grab the best table.

## Around Town (3) – Bikennale

Hop on your bikes, bring the kids and don't forget your camera! This is the last chance to experience the awesome sculptures of the Vancouver Biennale before the exhibition ends. Join docents at key sculptures for buttons, postcards and plenty of snacks to get you through this family-friendly ride

from Sunset Beach Park to Coal Harbour, a distance of just 5 kilometres. This will be a mobile fundraising campaign to support public art in Vancouver.



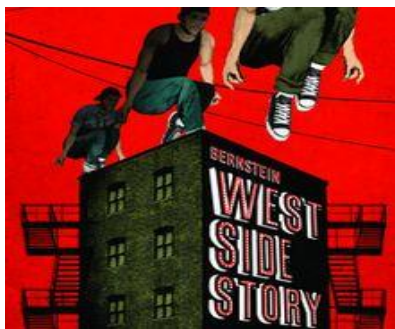
Bikennale runs on Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 4pm, and is a free event for cyclists of all ages. The ride starts at Sunset Beach Park, and ends at Beach Avenue between Jervis and Broughton. Rain or Shine.

Please see [www.vancouverbiennale.com](http://www.vancouverbiennale.com) for all the details.

#### Around Town (4) – Vancouver Opera

This fall the venerable company will throw caution to the winds to co-present a full-scale, jazz-hands-and-all production of West Side Story, the classic Tony-Award winning Broadway Musical. The show is a 1950s era spin on Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, a wrong-side-of-the-tracks romance that is widely considered to be one of the greatest musicals of the 20th century.

Leonard Bernstein's rousing, swelling score coupled with Stephen Sondheim's lyrics create ear-candy melodies and timeless songs.



West Side Story runs from October 22<sup>nd</sup> until the 29<sup>th</sup>. Please see their website at [www.vancouveropera.com](http://www.vancouveropera.com) for more information and to order tickets.

#### Around Town (5) – Cappella – Vancouver Chamber Choir

The Vancouver Chamber Choir, under the baton of Jon Washburn, are joined by Focus! Choir of College and University Singers for this kaleidoscope of the latest choral trends from all around the world, including four premieres by Rudoi, Sixten, Cohen and Antognini.

Sandström, Quinn, Chilcott and Tamulionis are important composers from Sweden, Wales, England and Lithuania. Ingari and Teehan are brilliant composers from Québec and Ontario. David von Kampen and Jorge Córdoba are bright lights from south of the border(s). Works from all are featured.



Choral music is a living art and this beautiful music should convince you of an auspicious future to come.

The Concert takes place on Friday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 8pm, in Christchurch Cathedral. The Cathedral is just about 4 blocks down the street from One Wall, at 690 Burrard Street. For tickets please go to [www.vancouverchamberchoir.com](http://www.vancouverchamberchoir.com).

#### Around Town (6) – Oktoberfest

And you don't have to go to Germany to enjoy it! Oktoberfest originated in 19th century Munich, but the world's biggest fair has a boisterous presence each year in Vancouver. Deutsch-happy Canadians will slam frothing mugs together this month at the Alpen club.



The two pronged approach with eats/drinks and music plus Bavarian Olympics celebrates traditions of yore while simultaneously poking good-natured fun at them. The classic club menu with brats, kraut, porky roasts and schnitzel will be available throughout the evening. Meanwhile the bands will provide all the brassy oom-pa-pa's necessary for a seriously *große* fest.

The festivities run from 7:00 pm- 1:00 am on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> and tickets for each evening are \$30. The Alpen Club is at Victoria Drive and 33<sup>rd</sup>. You'll hear singing and the slapping of hands on lederhosen as you draw near!

#### Around Town (7) – Mavis Staples at the Chan

"I've been doing this now for 61 years and I ain't tired yet! I love being able to get out there to sing for people and to see all the beautiful smiling faces. And now, to look out in the audiences and see some of the younger faces—some who I can tell haven't seen us before—is really an incredible feeling. I just feel so blessed." ~Mavis Staples

Soul and gospel legend and civil rights activist Mavis Staples won a 2011 Grammy Award for her best-selling album *You Are Not Alone*, produced by Wilco's Jeff Tweedy. Starting the show will be singer/songwriter, pianist, arranger and producer Allen Toussaint, a hugely influential figure in New Orleans R&B.



Don't miss this very rare chance to see two of America's greatest musical treasures in a concert featuring new hits mixed with well-known favourites.

Her concert takes place in the Chan Shun Concert Hall on the UBC Campus at 7pm on Sunday October 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### Further Afield – Most Hallowed Ground

This is Tauck's new 11-day U.S. Civil War land tour, crafted with Ken Burns. It will take you to Washington, Gettysburg, Harpers Ferry, Charlottesville, Appomattox and Richmond.

Highlights of the tour include living history re-enactments, private presentations and talks by experts in their fields. Tours depart on various dates this month. Please see [www.tauck.com](http://www.tauck.com) for more information.

And Also – See Elton John live!

If you are planning a visit to Las Vegas, Elton John is returning to Caesar's Palace with a new show entitled *The Million Dollar Piano*. The show begins on September 28<sup>th</sup> and runs for 16 performances. It marks the beginning of his three year residency at the Colosseum. Tickets start at US\$55. Details are at [www.caesarspalace.com](http://www.caesarspalace.com).

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