

# One WALL CENTRE

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## Around the House (1) – Suite Front Doors

With the continuing hot water weather we've been experiencing, residents have been tempted to leave their suite front doors open. We would ask you not to do this, however, as it upsets the air circulation system of the whole building, meaning some hallways receive almost no fresh air.

Thank you.



## Around Town (2) – Meter Disconnections

Terasen and BC Hydro seem to have become very unforgiving about overdue gas and electricity bills. If you expect to be away from your suite for extended periods you may want to make arrangements to have your bills paid by automatic debit.



We have had several disconnections recently where owners were out of the country and their bills hadn't been taken care of in their absence.

You can make these changes on the BC Hydro and Terasen web sites.

## Around the House (3) - Note from the Strata Council

To address the ongoing disruption in elevator service, the Strata Council has contracted with Gunn Consultants to assist ThyssenKrupp Elevator, our elevator service contractor, to diagnose, repair, and return our elevators to safe and reliable service. ThyssenKrupp has additionally called in an elevator control expert from Motion Control Engineering in California to help troubleshoot the system.

There is encouraging evidence that the problems may be resolved and both Gunn and ThyssenKrupp continue to monitor the situation. This, however, does not mean the end to some inconvenience. As soon as safe and reliable service is restored, the drywall work in the elevator shafts required by the BC Safety Authority must be completed. This will require a minimum of two weeks of single elevator service during the work day.

During this long ordeal, our concierge staff are doing a remarkable job in very difficult circumstances. They have worked hard to assist you in reducing the impact to your lives and routines caused by the faulty elevators. Because of anger and frustration arising from this disruption, their efforts have too often been met with unacceptable and abusive confrontations.

They are doing everything in their power to assist you and their efforts should not be rewarded with abuse. Please do not blame them for events that are completely beyond their control.

## Around Town (1) – Road Hockey to Conquer Cancer

This is an all-day fundraising event that features hundreds of teams, as well as musical acts, celebrity appearances, interactive activities, food and beverages, and so much more! If you enjoy a challenge, being part of a team and donating your time and effort to an amazing cause, this is the event for you.

Over one hundred teams will take part, bringing out the best part of humanity for a cause that is so close to so many, over a thousand participants supported by friends and family, with every player united by one common goal to eradicate cancer and enhance the quality of life of people living with cancer!



While playing in this uniquely Canadian Road Hockey marathon, players experience deep-rooted camaraderie, friendly competition, and exciting memories to last a lifetime. Sing and dance to day-long live music, enjoy our on-site Interactive Zone (complete with arcade games, air hockey, bubble hockey and more!) and spend some quality time outdoors. And don't be surprised if you happen to run into some of your favourite celebrities and hockey heroes throughout the day.

The event will be at Concord Pacific Place on Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>. This will be a great day, for a great cause! All details are available at [www.teamuptoconquercancer.ca](http://www.teamuptoconquercancer.ca).

#### Around Town (2) – BC Craft Beer Month

Last year saw the inauguration of a new happening in the Vancouver Fall calendar, an event celebrating all things sudsy. It was a huge success, so this October it's back, bigger, better and more frothy.

If you are one of the tens of thousands of passionate craft beer fans across this province, you are invited to join the fun once again to celebrate craft beer in all its beautiful incarnations. British Columbia has more than 25 breweries and brew pubs that dedicate themselves to making the finest craft beer.



For full details see the web site for the Campaign for Real Ale, which can be found at [www.camravancouver.ca](http://www.camravancouver.ca). You can also sign up for news and follow events on Twitter at ([@craftbeermonth](https://twitter.com/craftbeermonth)) and on Facebook at ([craftbeermonth](https://www.facebook.com/craftbeermonth)).

As part of BC's Craft Beer Month, be sure to get tickets to [CAMRA's Harvest Cask Festival & The BC Beer Awards](#) on Saturday, October 13th. It's not to be missed!



#### Around Town (3) – International Film Festival

This started last month, but is still running, 'cos it's huge! Nearly 400 films representing 75 countries are being shown on 10 screens around the city. The website [www.ivff.org](http://www.ivff.org) has full details.

#### Around Town (4) – UBC Apple Festival

Are you fed up with the tasteless apples sold at your local supermarket? If so, the annual Apple Festival at UBC is your opportunity to learn about and to sample many of the delicious apple varieties no longer generally available. This year a new apple will be introduced to the world, the so-called SPA 493. Try asking for those at your local Kins! This new variety has been in the works for more than 25 years, and one feature of this year's Festival will be the naming ceremony for the newcomer.



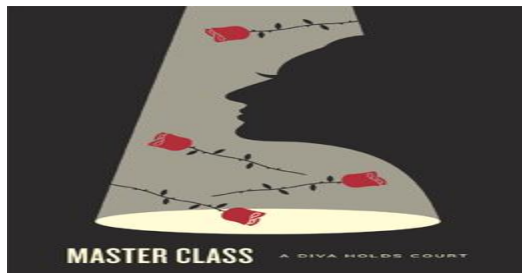
The UBC Apple Festival celebrates one of British Columbia's favourite fruits. From children learning about the diversity of apples to those who remember tasting heritage apples in their youth, the Apple Festival is a great opportunity to not only discover more about this delicious fruit, but have a whole lot fun doing it!

One of the most popular activities at the Apple Festival is the apple tasting tent. For only \$5.00, curious event goers can taste up to 60 varieties of new and heritage apples grown in British Columbia. Also available are hot apple pies and apple cider. Choices Market will feature their "Longest Apple Peel" contest, and there will be a variety of talented entertainers to keep the family amused.

The Festival is on October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> from 11am until 4pm, and admission is \$4. For more information, call 604-822-4529.

#### Around Town (5) – Master Class by Terrence McNally

Inspired by the legendary Maria Callas, this Tony Award-winning play opens in a master class at Juilliard, where the world's greatest soprano is more interested in teaching life lessons than opera. The tempestuous yet vulnerable diva muses on her past—her transformation from stocky to sleek, triumphs at La Scala, feuds with rival singers, and a doomed affair with billionaire Aristotle Onassis.



Not only a tribute to the star, *Master Class* is also a statement on the nature of art and the sacrifices we make for it. As the blurb says, “a diva holds court.”

The play is on at their Granville Island stage, and runs until October 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### Around Town (6) - She Stoops to Conquer by Oliver Goldsmith

Romantic tomfoolery and mistaken identities abound in Goldsmith's classic comedy of manners. When shy-with-the ladies Charles Marlow sets off to the country to meet his blind date, Kate Hardcastle, a practical joke convinces him that Hardcastle manor is a luxury inn.



Treating one's prospective in-laws as hired help is hardly advisable, but when it appears that Charles is quite a charmer with women of a lesser station, mayhem ensues and love blossoms. The show runs until late November, at the Industrial Alliance Stage, on Granville Street at 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. See [www.artclub.com](http://www.artclub.com) for ticket information.

#### Around Town (7) – A Gershwin Celebration

On October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> the VSO Pops orchestra is on an all-American kick, celebrating the timeless music of George Gershwin.



Celebrate some of the classical-jazz master's best-known tunes, topped off with Robert Russell Bennett's suite of highlights from Gershwin's famous opera, *Porgy & Bess*. The concert will be just down the street at Vancouver's beautiful Orpheum Theatre, and tickets are available at the usual outlets.

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