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Around the House (1) – Contents Insurance

If you expect to be out of town for extended periods, you should plan to have someone inspect your suite from time to time. If you don't do so and something like a water leak damages your suite, your insurer may deny coverage.

Please let the Concierge on duty know if you would like your suite to be checked, and your dates for leaving and returning to town. We will be delighted to carry out this service for you.



Around the House (2) – Need Extra Parking?

There is a parking space available for rent in our Parkade. Please see Kerry for details. Thanks.

Around Town (1) – Telus Taiwanfest

The 2010 Telus Taiwanfest runs from September 4th until the 6th. It takes place on the downtown section of Granville Street, on the Art Gallery Plaza (I wonder if they know about the construction taking place there) and in CBC Studio 700. There will also be events in and around the main branch of the Public Library.

The festival includes a Fashion Show, a concert, and a Teresa Teng Singing Contest to commemorate the late singer. And, of course, there will be a Taiwanese Food Fair. Can you spell Yum Yum?



You could also win a \$25,000 Gourmet Vacation in Taiwan for you and your family.

Please see <u>www.taiwanfest.ca</u> for all the details. All events run from noon until 6pm on Saturday and Sunday, but wrap early on Monday, at 6pm.

Around Town (2) - Vancouver Chamber Choir

The Vancouver Chamber Choir's 40th anniversary season opens with a concert of music from some of the greatest choral masters of all time. From Palestrina, the greatest Italian Renaissance composer of sacred music, comes one of his most famous pieces - the *Mass for Pope Marcellus*. The centennial of 20th century American great Samuel Barber will be marked with his signature choral work *Reincarnations*. Then conductor John William Trotter and the Choir are joined by pianist Terence Dawson for Béla Bartók's poignant *Slovak Folk Songs* and a set of vivacious *Gypsy Songs* by Johannes Brahms.

Giovanni P. da Palestrina - Missa Papae Marcelli Samuel Barber -Reincarnations Béla Bartók - Four Slovak Folk Songs Johannes Brahms — Zigeunerlieder For more information about the choir or for full details of their upcoming 2010-2011 concert season please visit www.vancouverchamberchoir.com. The concert takes place on Friday September 24th at 8pm, in Ryerson United Church.

Around Town (3) – Pre-Season Hockey

The Canucks begin the pre-season with a split squad playing one game at home and one game away against the Calgary Flames. The Canucks will play the remaining six games both home and away against the Edmonton Oilers, Anaheim **Ducks and San Jose Sharks.**

In total, our boys will play four pre-season games at General Motors Place and four on the road. Each game features a Western Conference matchup: Anaheim (2), Calgary (2), Edmonton (2) and San Jose (2).

The first game is at the Garage on Tuesday September 21st. The puck will be dropped at 7pm. Tickets are available from the usual outlets, or on most street corners near GM Place.

Around Town (4) - Aerosmith

Aerosmith, who modestly call themselves "America's Greatest Rock and Roll Band" is set to come to Vancouver with its 'Cocked, Locked, Ready to Rock' tour.

Following the triumphant 7 South American and 11 European 'Cocked, Locked, Ready To Rock' tour dates, the Bad Boys of Boston are all warmed up and ready to rock Western Canada.

This will surely be THE concert event of the Fall (their words again) says their frontman Steven Tyler: "We're gonna rock you into the middle of next week!"

"This is the perfect time for us to tour North America as we are just completing a very successful tour of South America and Europe. We are running on all cylinders and are "Cocked, Locked and Ready to Rock!" commented Joe Perry. "The band's tighter than ever, America we're coming to rock your World" said Joey Kramer.



They will be celebrating their 40th anniversary as America's most enduring and thrilling band in rock history. They are Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductees, recipients of countless awards including 4 Grammy's, 8 American Music Awards, 6 Billboard Awards, 12 MTV Video Music Awards. They have sold over 150 million albums, earned scores of multi platinum albums and maintain a large army of millions of fans.

Aerosmith continues to perform electrifying soldout concerts around the world and remain one of the most beloved bands on the planet.

The concert is on Thursday September 16th, again starting at 7pm. Please call Ticketmaster for tickets.

Around Town (5) – Southlands Country Fair

The 9th annual Southlands Country Fair takes place on Sunday September 12th from 10am until 4pm is fun for children and adults alike. You can enjoy a day in the country without leaving the city.



There will be pony rides, a petting farm, horse entertainment, a food fair and farmers market, a silent auction, live music, and carnival games. The day runs rain or shine. Some activities may cost a small fee, while plenty of others are free. There is always lots of free parking. For more information please see their website at

www.southlandsridingclub.com.

The Club is located at 7025 MacDonald Street, Vancouver, V6N 1G2. Admission is by donation.

Around Town (6) The Fringe

Over 600 performances by 83 artists, over 11 days. We hardly need to publicise this: you'd be hard pressed to miss it! www.vancouverfringe.com will tell you all you need to know, and a lot more too.

Further Afield – Winestock Music and Wine Festival

Morning Bay Vineyard's Winestock Music and Wine Festival on our oceanfront vineyard on Pender Island promises to be the best ever.

This year's headliner is Nanaimo's David Gogo. One of Canada's most accomplished bluesmen, Gogo has been called "truly one of Canada's most unique and exceptional talents" by the Canada Music Network. His searing guitar and soulful singing bring his own compositions and his cover versions of blues classics to life. Gogo was named Musician of the Year at the Western Canada Music Awards. Gogo has opened for such prestigious blues musicians as Johnnie Winter, B.B. King and Albert Collins.

Also returning this year are Winestock regulars, New York's Dave Rave, formerly of legendary punk band, Teenage Head, and Vancouver singer/songwriter Wyckham Porteous, whom Rolling Stones producer Andrew Loog Oldham called "Leonard Cohen meets Harry Dean Stanton." Also perennial favorite Leslie Alexander joins Winestock again with her side-kick, Calgary's Jenny Allen who sings with The Fates.

Pender's own Big House Voodoo Blues Band brings its huge 8-piece sound to our concert bowl. There is no better venue for this band. Having added a 3-piece horn section, Big House Voodoo fills the Valley with music like no one around. Food kiosks, an artisan market, and some of the best wines around fill out an experience that promises to cap a fabulous summer. See you there!

For further information or to buy tickets, contact Morning Bay Vineyard at 250-629-8351 or at www.morningbay.ca. The Festival takes place on Saturday September 4th, from 12 noon until 10pm. Tickets are \$35, but children enter free.

Also Further Afield - Squamish Music Festival

On Labour Day weekend, the first edition of the Live at Squamish festival will host more than 40 international and local bands and artists, including Devo, the Decemberists, punk rock vets Bad Religion, legendary DJ Z-Trip, as well as We Are the City, Rich Hope, Hollerado and Tokyo Police Club.



The event taking place on Saturday and Sunday, the 4th and 5th, will also feature art installations and live art performances in an Artisan and First Nations Village, showcasing the cultural diversity of the Squamish area. Please visit their website at www.liveatsquamish.com for more information.

If you plan to go, head towards Whistler, and when you pass an extremely tall rock speckled with climbers on your right hand side, you've reached Squamish.

Even Further - Vancouver Island

September can be a great month in which to visit Vancouver Island. The Alpine Food Festival takes place from September 3rd until the fifth. The event takes place at Mount Washington Alpine Resort.

Tickets start at \$327 per person, and the fun includes breakfast, a cocktail reception, a gourmet gala dinner and 2 cooking classes. Also on the menu, so to speak, are five tickets to the Alpine Marketplace and a mile-high chairlift ride (sounds terrifying)! If you're up to this, or any part of it, please see www.mountwashington.ca .

Your One Wall Concierge Team: Eleanor, Kerry & Sunny