

NEWS RELEASE

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Celebrate Canada's birthday in Nanaimo

Summary

Celebrate our Nation's 149th birthday with the City of Nanaimo on July 1. Canada Day festivities will be held in Maffeo Suton Park from 11:00 am until 3:30 pm.

It's a great day for all ages to stay in town and show their national and community pride. Everyone can enjoy the Celebration of Flags and Opening Ceremonies, multicultural food fair, Bowen Road Farmers' Market, interactive booths, birthday cake and live entertainment throughout the day.

Parking at Maffeo Sutton Park will not be available on Canada Day. There will be many free parking options near the park including all City metered spots, City parkades and parking lots downtown.

The City of Nanaimo Canada Day 2016 festivities are in partnership with Canadian Heritage, The Wave 102.3 FM, The Wolf 106.9 FM, Nanaimo News Bulletin and Columbia Bakery.

Strategic Link: Cultural Vitality

Key Points

- New this year is the Cultural Showcase Stage featuring cultural performances by local talent.
- Live entertainment by The Midnights, Doctors of Rock n Roll, Little Crow, Jake West and Craig McKee "The Con Man".
- Wear red and white to celebrate Canada's 149th Birthday.
- Parking at Maffeo Sutton Park will not be available on Canada Day. Free parking options include all on-street City metres (2-hour limit), Bastion Street parkade, Harbour Front parkade, Port of Nanaimo Centre parkade and the Wallace and Wentworth parking lot.

Quotes

"Bring your family and friends to celebrate Canada's birthday in Nanaimo! Maffeo Sutton Park will be filled with plenty of fun activities and entertainment for all ages."

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