

# NEWS RELEASE

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## City offers variety of free activities and events this summer

### Summary

The City of Nanaimo's Parks, Recreation and Culture department is pleased to offer a number of free activities and events this season.

Concerts in the Park have been underway since May and will continue throughout the summer at various park locations and featuring a variety of local talent. Here are the upcoming dates:

- Tuesday, July 5, 6-7 pm at Pipers Lagoon Park: Waterstone Trio (Blues, Pop, Country)
- Wednesday, July 6, 6-7 pm at Departure Bay Kin Hut: Sol Azul (Soft Latin)
- Wednesday, July 13, 7-8:30 pm at McGregor Park: An Evening of Soul, Blues & Pop with singers, Buwa, Ty Koch & Josh Holloway
- Wednesday, July 20, 7-8 pm at McGregor Park: VIS Musicians Emily Nagelbach, Guyonne le Louarn, Alexandra Lee and Erin Lawson)
- Wednesday, August 3, 7-8 pm at McGregor Park: VIS Musicians Lani Krantz, Paolo Bortolussi, Minjee Yoon
- Wednesday, August 17, 7-8 pm at McGregor Park: VIS Musicians Nicole Arendt, Jonathan Bernard, Chris Helman, Michael Vaughan
- Tuesday, August 23, 5-6 pm at Neck Point Park: Eutah Mizushima (Japanese, South Asian, Western Folk, Indie)

The Playground Program is back again this summer. It is for children ages 5 to 12 and offers a variety of games, arts, crafts and sports. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday to Friday, 10 am-3:30 pm at Harewood Centennial Park
- Monday to Friday, 10 am-3:30 pm at Mansfield Park
- Monday & Tuesday, 10 am-3:30 pm at Country Hills Park
- Wednesday, 1:30-7 pm at Country Hill Park
- Thursday & Friday, 10 am-3:30 pm at Groveland Park

Lifeguards at Westwood Lake Park will start on July 1 and be there daily from 11:30 am-5:30 pm until Monday, September 5, including the Canada Day, BC Day and Labour Day statutory holidays.

For those looking to keep cool this summer, the City operates four water parks that are open daily from 9 am-8 pm. Locations are as follows:

- Departure Bay Water Park
- Deverill Square Park
- Harewood Centennial Park
- Mansfield Park

The City of Nanaimo is also offering a variety of registered summer daycamps and programs this summer. Those programs are found in the online Summer Activity Guide at [www.nanaimo.ca](http://www.nanaimo.ca).

*Strategic Link:* Free Summer programming supports cultural vitality, an active lifestyle and social equality.

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## Key Points

- There are many free programs available for the community this summer through Parks, Recreation and Culture.
- Registered summer camps and programs are available for all ages. Information is found in the online Summer Activity Guide.

## Quotes

"Summer events and programs are back this summer in a big way. Join Parks, Recreation and Culture for Concerts in the Park, the playground program, lifeguards at Westwood Lake Park and more! It is great to be able to offer these programs for free to our citizens as our commitment to allow all members of our community to participate."

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