

2017 Calendar of Events

If asked, please be sure to sign the waiver for certain Salmonberry Days events.

MONDAY MAY 1

**Feldenkrais® & Tai Chi with Katarina Halm: five classes
2 Mornings: 10:30 - 11:00 am
Tuesday May 16, Thursday May 25
3 Evenings 7:00 -7:30 pm
Mondays May 1, 8, 29**

For all ages and levels of ability. Meet in the basketball court behind the Dunbar Community Centre. (along the path South from of 31st Ave & North from Highbury St.) There are benches for those who like to sit. There are two small covered areas in case of rain.

TUESDAY MAY 2

**Sasamat and Top Trail Historic Walk with Terry Slack
10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Meet at Imperial Dr. and 29th Ave.**

The headwaters of Musqueam Creek's "place of many waterfalls", the ghosts of the Top Trail and a deserted heronary are places to discover and remember.

WEDNESDAY MAY 3

**Words of Nature: Poetry of the Land
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Meet at Dunbar Branch Library
4515 Dunbar St.**

Have you written a poem about our great Land? Do you like to read poems about nature? Even if you have never read a poem before, you are cordially invited to take part in this event.

THURSDAY MAY 4

**Dunbar's Salmon Stream Walk with Terry Slack
10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Meet at Crown St. and King Edward Ave. at the creek's sidewalk dedication markings.**

Dunbar's creek (Nough Khahtsuler) once meandered through Dunbar Southlands and emptied into the north arm of the Fraser River near Blenheim and Celtic Ave. Easy wheelchair walk for the family. (No dogs please.)

FRIDAY MAY 5

**Urban Forest Tour with Bill Stephen
7 to 8:30 p.m.
Meeting Place: MacDonald St. at Point Grey Rd. junction.**

Urban Forester Bill Stephen will give us a guided tour of trees in two city parks. Tatlow Park features a small stream with bridges, and is one of the oldest city parks. Volunteer Park was named in 1985 as part of Vancouver's Centennial, and features panoramic views of English Bay.

SATURDAY MAY 6

**St. George's Fair
The annual fair is at the Junior Campus at 3851 West 29th Ave.
<http://www.stgeorges.bc.ca/Page/CONNECT/The-St-Georges-School-Fair>**

SATURDAY MAY 7

**Dunbar-in-Bloom Tour #1
10 to Noon and 2 to 4pm**

This is the first of two open garden events this month, showcasing the wide range of gardening styles in Dunbar. *Tour #2 is on May 27th.* Garden tour map (\$2 donation) at any of the following locations:

Blight's Home Hardware
-(3322 Dunbar St.)
Pacific Spirits Wine Cellar
-(4474 Dunbar St.)
Weigh-to-Go Bulk Foods

-(3534 W 41st Ave.)
Southlands Nursery
-(6550 Balaclava St.)
Celtic Treasure Chest
-(5639 Dunbar St.)

**Jericho Park Stewardship with Frank Heinzelmann and Krista Voth
1 to 3 p.m.
Meet at the wooden bridge over the duck pond in Jericho Park.**

Learn about the history, ecology, and re-naturalization efforts, and how you could contribute. Join JSG volunteers in a walk through the area south of the ponds. Focus on wetland restoration, native plants, forest replanting, and future linkage with Jericho Lands. Kids are welcome!

MONDAY MAY 8

Feldenkrais® & Tai Chi, 7 to 7:30 p.m., see May 1st.

TUESDAY MAY 9

Election Day

**Secrets of a Temperate Coniferous Forest with David Cook, Biologist.
10:00 a.m. to about 1 p.m.
Meet at trailhead at Spanish Banks Beach, mouth of Spanish Banks Creek, NW Marine Dr. See Pacific Spirit Regional Park map at: <http://loganlane.ca/pdf/pacificspiritmap.pdf>
The Spanish Banks Trail is trail No. 23 on the map.**

On this beautiful forest walk, we will see how the components of a typical second-growth forest and invasive plants work together to produce a functional but ever-changing whole. We will also look at the work done in enhancing Spanish Creek for salmon.





David Cook, Biologist, comparing Oregon Grape with Holly.

WEDNESDAY MAY 10

Revisiting Malkin Park with Terry Slack

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Meeting place at 41st Avenue and Balaclava St.

The Malkin family lived in a stone and brick mansion called "Southlands", near today's S.W Marine Drive and Blenheim. William Harold Malkin was a great patron of the theatre, and funded the building of the "Marion Malkin Memorial Bowl" in Stanley Park. In 1939 the family gave 6 ½ acres of undeveloped scrub forest near 43rd Ave. and Balaclava St. to be used as a "natural park". Wheelchairs and kids welcome.



THURSDAY MAY 11

Patio Pots for Hot Spots and Shade Spots with Ann Kent, HTM.

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Meeting place: Room #202 of the Dunbar Community Centre

Explore techniques for creating small container gardens to brighten a patio, walkway, or outdoor table. Ann will demonstrate using six different containers and plant groupings suitable for sunny spots, shady locations, or a miniature herb garden. Tips for cultivation and year-round use are included. A keen gardener and home cook, Ann will inspire you to create a patio pot to feast the senses.

SATURDAY MAY 13

Anniversary Walk on the Arbutus Line with Helen Spiegelman and Terry Slack

10:30 to 11:45 a.m.

Meeting place is at the Kerrisdale Arena, 41st Ave. and East Boulevard.

Helen Spiegelman will join Terry Slack for this walk to celebrate 20 years of Salmonberry Days. An old map of the C.P.R. gardens in Kerrisdale will be used on this walk from 41st. to 33rd Ave. Bring your camera for great city views from Quilchena Heights. Returns through Ravine Park.

Heritage Albums, or Scrap-booking, with Terry Slack 2 to 5 p.m. Dunbar Public Library, 4515 Dunbar St.

Heritage Albums of Dunbar-Southlands Explore and discuss the history of Dunbar through pictures, clippings and other items in heritage albums compiled by Terry Slack and other Dunbar residents, at the Dunbar Library.

International Bird Day. See this link:

Vancouver Bird Week
May 6th to 13th
www.vancouverbirdweek.ca

SUNDAY MAY 14



Mothers' Day

TUESDAY MAY 16

Feldenkrais® & Tai Chi, 10:30 to 11 a.m., see May 1st

Research Your Vancouver Home
2:30-4:00 p.m.
Dunbar Community Centre,
Room 112

WEDNESDAY MAY 17

Riverfront Birders' Walk with Al Grass

9 am to Noon

Meet at the south foot of Blenheim St, in Southlands

Al Grass will lead us along the riverfront trail to Deering Island and back. Look for flycatchers, swallows and possibly the Green Heron. Bring field guides and binoculars if you have them.

THURSDAY MAY 18

City Demonstration Garden with Sharon Slack

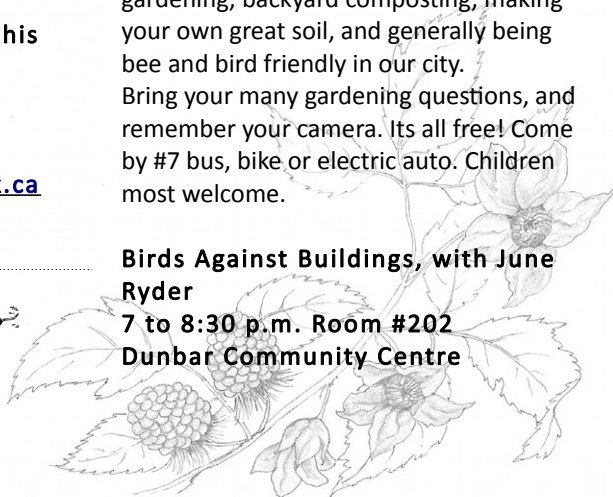
11:00 to Noonish

Meet at 2150 Maple Street near 6th Ave.

Visit a quiet food growing garden in our big city. It's the world renowned composting demonstration garden in the City of Vancouver. This wonderful garden is located at 2150 Maple St., near 6th Ave. Notice the new entrance gate, just off of the City of Vancouver Arbutus Greenway. The garden is all about organic food gardening, backyard composting, making your own great soil, and generally being bee and bird friendly in our city. Bring your many gardening questions, and remember your camera. Its all free! Come by #7 bus, bike or electric auto. Children most welcome.

Birds Against Buildings, with June Ryder

7 to 8:30 p.m. Room #202
Dunbar Community Centre



How to help birds avoid windows. Have you seen the sad sight of a dead bird in your garden that has hit one of your windows? June Ryder will talk to us about ways to prevent these casualties. She will present pictures and have handouts and time for questions.

FRIDAY MAY 19

**Moss Walk with Shona Ellis
11 to 1 pm
Meet at Camosun Bog boardwalk platform**

Learn to identify the most common mosses in our region. We will find out how moss is a key component of the Camosun Bog, and how other organisms make the bog their home. We will also take a walk through the forest, looking at the mosses that live there. Shona will test our memories each year with her Plant Quiz at the Salmonberry Days Fair.

SATURDAY MAY 20

**Canada 150th Anniversary Heritage Bus Tour to the Gulf of Georgia Cannery and Gary Point Park
10:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Meet in front of the Dunbar Community Centre.**

Seating is on a first come basis. A donation to the Transit Museum Society would be appreciated.

A special admission fee for the tour of The Cannery has been arranged - \$4.00 per person. Bring along a lunch, or source out a snack at one of Steveston's many eating places.



Victoria Day Long Weekend begins

**MAY 20, 21, 22
Stong's Little League Tournament,
in Memorial West Park.**

www.dunbarbaseball.ca

SUNDAY MAY 21

**Dawn Chorus Bird Walk with
Christine Adkins
7:30 to 9:30 am
Meet at West 19th Ave. and
Camosun St.**

Christine Adkins will help us identify the bird songs and calls we hear on this early spring walk. All ages and skills welcome. Bring binoculars and field guides if you have them.

**UBC Farm Bird Survey with Nature
Vancouver
8 to 11 am
Meet at the UBC Farm Gate**

The new access road to the Farm is well signed from Westbrook Mall on South Campus. UBC Farm parking is free for the first two hours, then must be paid. Ross Drive Parking is free for two hours but then one cannot pay for more.

<http://ubcfarm.ubc.ca/contact-us/>

This is Nature Vancouver's monthly bird survey at the UBC Farm and takes about 2 to 3 hours. Route is about three km in length, including walking farm fields and second growth forest. All levels of birders are welcome to join the walk.

MONDAY MAY 22

Victoria Day

**Southlands Farm Family Day. Music on the Farm!
11 to 3 p.m.
Corner of Balaclava St. and
West 51st Ave.**

Open house at Southlands Heritage Farm. Meet the horses and ponies. Get to know the pigs, sheep, goats, ducks, and chickens. Learn about shearing sheep, washing and carding and spinning wool. Discover where barn swallows and barn owls nest, and why bees make honey.

Enjoy a picnic in the orchard, while watching the resident hummingbirds and listening to some wonderful musicians. Make pizza in the cob oven. (Pony rides available for a small charge.) For more info see website:

www.southlandsfarms.com

TUESDAY MAY 23

**Architecture Walk with John Atkin
7 to 8:30 p.m.
Meet at Highbury St.
and West 38th Ave.**

This year's walk will visit a very early Dunbar subdivision known as Marine Heights. This was promoted three years before the streetcar line was extended from Kerrisdale in 1912, and prospective clients were taken to the development by automobile on a street known as "The Speedway", which is today's Marine Drive.

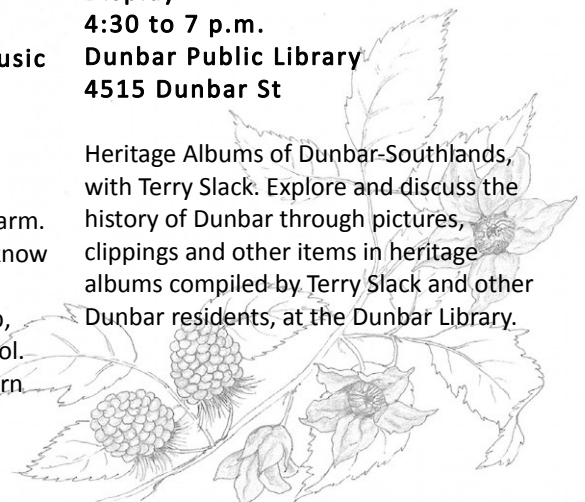
**Flower gardening talk,
with Howard Wills.
7:30 p.m. in room #212 of the
Dunbar Community Centre.**

The Dunbar Garden Club presents a talk by multiple RHS Gold-Medal winner Howard Wills of the Fernwood Nursery in Devon, U.K.: "The Wonderful World of Flowers." His talk will be a delight to gardeners. <http://www.fernwood-nursery/DunbarGardenClub@gmail.com>

WEDNESDAY MAY 24

**Heritage Album or Scrap-book
Display
4:30 to 7 p.m.
Dunbar Public Library
4515 Dunbar St**

Heritage Albums of Dunbar-Southlands, with Terry Slack. Explore and discuss the history of Dunbar through pictures, clippings and other items in heritage albums compiled by Terry Slack and other Dunbar residents, at the Dunbar Library.



THURSDAY MAY 25

Feldenkrais® & Tai Chi, 10:30 to 11 a.m., see May 1st

FRIDAY MAY 26

Geology of Point Grey/Burrard Inlet with. David Cook, Geologist.
11:00 a.m. to 2 or 3 p.m.
Meet at Jericho Beach parking lot west end of Point Grey Rd. (which is a cul-de-sac) near Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, all of which are on the east side of Jericho Beach Park.

The tide will be low, and we will walk along the shore between Jericho and Kitsilano beaches looking at the rocks and land forms of Burrard Inlet. We will see plant fossils and coal-bearing sandstones laid down in 50-million year old river deltas, the roots of 32 million year old volcanoes and how the unceasing action of the waves is slowly eating away the beach frontage. We will see glacial erratics and other legacies of the Ice Age. Looking around Burrard Inlet, we will observe rocks and land forms that were created over the last 100 million years by plate tectonics, sea-level changes and ice movement. The route will be muddy, rocky and slippery with many puddles left by the retreating tide, so wear appropriate footwear.

Lord Byng Symphony
7:30 p.m.
Lord Byng Secondary School
3939 West 16th Ave
Enter from Crown St. at 15th Avenue
Tickets: \$10
<http://www.lbso.ca/>

SATURDAY MAY 27

Camosun Bog Open House
9:30 to Noon
Meet at the boardwalk platform, 19th Ave. and Camosun St.

See the yearly progress of bog restoration. Join the Crazy Boggers as volunteers to assist in restoration of the bog. Wear your old clothes and waterproof footwear. Gloves and other tools will be supplied.

Blenheim Bazaar

The World's Longest Yard Sale!
12th Annual Blenheim Street Bazaar
10 to 2 pm

Look for the yellow balloons to find houses holding sales. Thirty blocks of bargains on Blenheim Street, between West 16th and SW Marine Dr. Organized by the Blenheim Neighbourhood Group.

Dunbar in Bloom Tour #2
10 to Noon and 2 to 4pm
See May 7th for more information

Immaculate Conception Church Mayfair
11 am to 3 pm
3700 block West 28th Ave.
BBQ, Music, Tea Room, etc.

SUNDAY MAY 28

Bird Walk with Bill Kinkaid
8 to 11 am
Meet at the park entrance at 29th Ave. and Imperial Dr.

Bill Kinkaid leads a morning bird walk on Imperial Trail. One last bird walk for Salmonberry Days! The birds are sure to be out in full force along the natural greenway. Bring binoculars and field guides if you have them



Salmonberry Days Fair
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Memorial West Park and Dunbar Community Centre
<http://dunbarlife.ca/event/salmonberry>

See page 7 of this guide for a list of fun activities!

MONDAY MAY 29

Feldenkrais® & Tai Chi, 7 to 7:30 p.m., see May 1st.

TUESDAY MAY 30

Camosun Bog Tour with Gerry Mignault and Ed Eckley.
7 to 8:30 pm
Meet at boardwalk platform. Enter at 19th Ave and Camosun St.

Learn about the history and restoration of beautiful Camosun Bog from volunteers of the Camosun Bog Restoration Group

WEDNESDAY MAY 31

South Dunbar Commercial Area Historic Walk with Terry Slack
10 to 11:00 a.m.
Meeting Place: Dunbar Bus Loop, 41st Ave. and Dunbar St.

A visit with Terry Slack of the old newspaper shacks, Mr. Piat's confectionary, the Blue Moon, #13 Postal Station, Woolworth's, and many more places of Dunbar's commercial history.