

2026 Calendar / Guide for Salmonberry Days Events

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

Featured Events at the Dunbar Library:

Celebrate Salmonberry Days at the library, in the last three weeks of May. As usual, there will be events, displays and "Berry Good Reads."

To inquire call: (604) 665-3968 or visit: <https://www.vpl.ca/location/dunbar-branch>. Listen to Daniel Kalla and Robyn Harding on May 21 and Wiley Ho at the Central Branch on May 27th.

SUNDAY, MAY 10

UBC Farm: Wild Bird Survey at UBC Farm with Nature Vancouver. Meet at the Farm entrance gate, 8 am promptly.

TUESDAY MAY 12

**Madame Beespeaker
Lori Weidenhammer
2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Dunbar Branch Library**

The Power of Citizen Science to Help BC Native Bees

Learn how you can be a citizen scientist hero who helps make B.C. a healthy place for bees, butterflies and birds, with artist and educator Lori Weidenhammer, aka Madame Beespeaker.

WEDNESDAY MAY 13

**City Farmer – City Demonstration Garden
Mike Levenston 604-736-2250
cityfarmer@gmail.com
2150 Maple Street, near 6th Ave.
9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Wednesday to Saturday, and Monday. *Not Sunday or Tuesday.***

If you are bringing a group, please call ahead to arrange your visit. See a quiet organic food growing garden in our big city. It's the world renowned composting demonstration garden in the City of Vancouver. Entrance gate just off of Arbutus Greenway.

Bring your gardening questions, and your camera. Its all free! Come by #7 bus, bike or electric auto. Children most welcome.

THURSDAY MAY 14

Real Estate / Housing Tour

Michael Geller

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Urban Planner Michael Geller will lead a tour using HeyYa Carts street legal electric golf carts, starting in the Kerrisdale Community Centre parking lot. Participants will learn about '15-minute neighbourhoods,' why we seem to be losing many longstanding 'legacy' retail stores in Kerrisdale and Dunbar, and what we can do about it.

Because HeyYa Carts will have to be arranged for, participants are asked to register at least a week in advance. Please send an email to Jennifer Maynard at jen@southlandsfarm.ca, using the subject line "HeyYa Cart Tour." Total capacity will be 40 to 50 participants. Donations are welcome to help cover rental fees.

FRIDAY MAY 15

**Back Lane Walkabout
John Atkin and Angus McIntyre
7 to 9 pm**

This will be about two kms long, with a few short hills but easy walking for most people. We will start in Balaclava Park at West 29th Ave. and Balaclava St. The final two blocks will be on West 30th Ave. for viewing the Storybook Castle houses.

SATURDAY MAY 16

**Little League Tournament
at Memorial Park West: May 16 – 18**

**Chaldecott Park Tree Identification Walk
Nina Shoroplova
10:00 am – about an hour.**

Author, photographer and tree expert Nina Shoroplova will meet us at King Edward and Wallace, and we will proceed to look at the trees that make up the forest in Chaldecott Park. There are London plane trees on 26th Avenue, some interesting trees in the West King Edward Avenue median, and those on either side of Crown Street & 27th Ave.

Bus Tour/ Visit to UBC Farm / Visit Southlands Farm with bus operator Angus McIntyre 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Meet at Dunbar Community Centre. Wear good walking shoes. Seating is on a first-come basis. A donation to the Transit Museum Society would be appreciated.

SUNDAY MAY 17

Little League Tournament

Birding Walk

Anne Maki

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Start at Musqueam Park: meet at Marine Dr. SW @ Crown parking lot – parking is limited.

Anne Maki is long time resident of Dunbar and a keen birder. Trail is level and you will amble for about 3 km along forested areas to reach Deering Island, listening to the birds and trying to spot them. Bring your binoculars & enjoy this birding morning.

**Birding Workshop
Stanley Park Ecological Society
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Meet at Dunbar Public Library and walk to Camosun Bog.**

Join us for an introduction to birding with Stanley Park Ecology Society and learn how to get started seeing birds in Vancouver! This program will include an outdoor excursion from Dunbar branch to Camosun Bog.

MONDAY MAY 18

Victoria Day

Little League Tournament

**Southlands Farm Family Day
Jennifer Maynard
11:00 am to 3:00 pm
3208 West 51st Ave @ Balaclava.**

Open house at Southlands Heritage Farm. *We would love you to join us for a day of farm fun, learning, and community!* Sheep shearing and a wool spinning demonstration from noon onward. Meet the many different farm animals. Discover where barn swallows and barn owls nest, and why bees make honey. Bring a DIY picnic to the orchard, relax while watching the many birds. Farm market with fresh eggs, preserves, honey, and early spring produce. Roast marshmallows over the bonfire. (Pony rides available for a small charge.) www.southlandsfarm.ca



THURSDAY MAY 21

Author Reading at the Dunbar Library
Daniel Kalla and Robyn Harding
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Join Vancouver authors Daniel Kalla and Robyn Harding for "Thrilling Vancouver," a lively conversation about their latest psychological thrillers—"The Deepest Fake" and "Strangers in the Villa"—and how our city's landscapes and neighborhoods inspire suspense, connection, and storytelling rooted in the real world.

FRIDAY MAY 22

Moss Walk
Shona Ellis
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Meet at Camosun Bog, the entrance is at Camosun Street & 19th Avenue. Identify the most common mosses in our region. Moss is a key component of the Camosun bog, and other organisms live here too. We will walk through the forest, looking at mosses.

SATURDAY MAY 23

Native-Meets-Imported Tree Walk
Allison Luke
10:00 am to Noon
Meet at King Edward Ave. And Crown.
Dress for all weathers.

We'll explore the boundaries where a remnant native forest meets a boulevard of imported ornamental trees, discuss invasive species, challenges and opportunities of the urban forestry in the city, and more.

Landscape Painting
Chloe Greenberg
St. Philips Church
3737 W. 27th Ave in the Fireside Room
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Chloe Greenberg teaches this beginner-friendly acrylic painting class working from the image of a local forest scene. Chloe also teaches popular art classes at the Dunbar Community Centre. Instruction and acrylic painting supplies included for \$50. Max class size 40. Register at <https://chloegreenberg.com/art> under Acrylic workshops: Landscape Painting at St Philip's Church.

TUESDAY MAY 26

Botany Walk Pacific Spirit Park
Dave Murdoch
10:00 am to Noon
Meet at PSP Headquarters on West 16th

Dave Murdoch a local naturalist, will look at the forest ecology of a small area of the park.

He will discuss the plant life and the trees and answer questions. Suitable for all ages.

St. Georges Junior School Tour
7:00 pm to 7:45 pm
Meet at the Junior School
Main front door

WEDNESDAY MAY 27

Astronaut Children of Dunbar
Wiley Wei-Chiun Ho
VPL Central Library Montalbano Theatre
Level 8 – 350 W. Georgia
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Wiley Wei-Chiun Ho discusses her memoir *The Astronaut Children of Dunbar Street* (2026).

From the age of twelve, Wiley's parents returned to Taiwan to work, leaving her to grow up with her siblings in Canada.

They were to study hard, stay out of trouble, and not tell "outsiders" about their family. Wiley Wei-Chiun Ho traces the emotional fault lines of a family divided by an ocean amid shifting global powers. Come and ponder a local family's difficult story shared from the heart of one of their children. Learn more at:

<https://vpl.bibliocommons.com/>

To attend, register for one of twenty reserved seats by contacting debbiematheson53@gmail.com

FRIDAY MAY 29

Eco Gardening @ Southlands Farm
Alex Kaiser
10:00 am to Noon
3208 W. 51st at Balaclava

New best practices for attracting and supporting beneficial insects in your garden. Learn who your garden helpers are and how to keep them and good tips for your ornamental and veggie beds.

SATURDAY MAY 30

Mayfair at Immaculate Conception
11:00 am – 2:00 pm
3778 W. 28th Ave

Children's games and crafts, Tea Room, BBQ & Beer Garden with Live music and more! All are welcome!

St. Philip's (3737 W. 27th)
West of Main Art Walk
at St. Philip's Church Fireside Room
11:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday and Sunday

Artists in Our Midst celebrates 32 years of the West of Main Art Walk. For the second time, the Art Walk will have a hub at St Philip's Church. Eight artists show their paintings, jewellery and pottery in a satellite studio at St Philip's Church.

<https://www.artistsinourmidst.com>

Demonstration of Apiary – Bee Talk
At Dunbar Community Centre
D. Martin
Meet at Noon
At the hives in front of the DCC

Head beekeeper Diane Martin, will be opening the hives and introducing you to the exciting world of beekeeping. In case of inclement weather, the talk will take place indoors – in the DCC lobby area.

Chaucer: Relucant Spy?
J.C. Corry
2:00 to 3:30 pm
Dunbar Library

Was Chaucer a spy working for King Edward III? Historical fiction author J.C. Corry followed the legendary poet's footsteps to find his own answers. He shares stories and images from his research and discusses his work.

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