

NEWS & VIEWS

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR STUDENT FAMILIES AT UVIC



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CONGRATULATIONS TO NAZ RAYANI



At the Monday, June 10th UVic Convocation Naz Rayani received an Honorary Doctorate of Laws (LLD)! The Family Centre celebrates Naz for his leadership, his commitment to service to others and his passion for creating cross-cultural understanding. Naz is always reaching out and making connections. His generosity of spirit and time, his infectious enthusiasm, his genuine interest in people and his willingness to share his wisdom have been greatly appreciated over his many years as a member of the UVic Family Centre's Advisory Committee. Naz understands the importance of supporting UVic students with families.

Congratulations Naz!

Exploring New Options for the Newsletter

In August we will be conducting a survey throughout Family Housing to determine if electronic distribution of the newsletter would be favorable. If electronically distributed, the newsletter would be distributed to the email your family has on record with the Housing Office. In addition, paper copies would continue to be available outside of the Family Centre. If you have any pre-emptive thoughts about this option, please contact our Editor Avril at fcnews@uvic.ca. Otherwise, please anticipate the survey in late August.

Thanks!

Family Centre Weekly Programs

Monday – Make and Take	7:00-9:00pm
Tuesday – Under 5 Playgroup	10:00am-12noon
Wednesday – Under 5 Playgroup	10:00am-12noon
Wednesday – Afterschool Program	Resumes in September
Friday – Under 5 Playgroup	10:00am-12noon

In addition to weekly programs, the Family Centre is open from 9:30-3:00pm every Tuesday and Wednesday. For more information contact the Family Centre through Facebook or by email at familyc@uvic.ca.



Find us on Facebook

Victoria Summer Events Guide

July 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 Canada Day Celebrations	2 Music in the Park – Goward House – 6-8pm	3	4	5 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm	6 Mad Hatter Tea Party - Uptown	7 Strawberry Festival – Beaver Lake – 11-3pm
Theatre SKAMS Bike Ride 3:30-Dusk						
Victoria Pride Week						
8	9 Sara the Community Nurse is at the Family Centre Music in the Park – Majestic Park 6-8pm	10 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill 1:30-3:20pm Chinatown Night Market 5-9	11	12	13	14
				Festival Mexicano – Victoria Event Centre		
		Ska Fest – Inner Harbour			Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm	Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm
15	16 Music in the Park – Brydon Park – 6-8pm	17	18	19 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm	20 TD Art Gallery Paint In – Moss Street – 11am-9pm	21 Playfair Fun in the Park – Playfair Park – 12-3
				Victoria Buskers Festival - Inner Harbour		
22	23 Music in the Park – Beckwith Park – 6-8pm	24 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm	25	26 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm	27 Pancake Breakfast at the Family Centre 9-10:30 Fun Day in the Park – Gyro 11-4	28 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20pm
Victoria Buskers Festival - Inner Harbour						
29	30 Music in the Park – Rudd Park 6-8pm	31 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell 1:30-3:20	<u>Bold and underline dates denote Family Centre Playgroups.</u>			

Please note that the Family Centre will be closed from August 12th-25th.

August 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sunday August 4th, Victoria Symphony Splash						
5	<u>6</u> Music in the Park – Rutledge Park – 6-8pm	<u>7</u>	8	<u>9</u>	10 Pet-a-poloosa – Ogden Point Concert in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell	11 Cadboro Bay Festival – Gyro Park – 11-3pm
Victoria Indian Mela – Centennial Square						
12 FAMILY CENTRE CLOSED THIS WEEK	13 Music in the Park – Rutledge Park – 6-8	14 Concerts in the Park – Beacon Hill - 1:30-3:20pm Chinatown Night Market	15	16	17 Street Theatre Performance – Uptown – 11-2	18 Concert in the Park – Beacon Hill Bandshell
Flamenco Festival – Centennial Square						
19 FAMILY CENTRE CLOSED THIS WEEK	20 Music in the Park – Rutledge Park 6-8pm ROMP in Centennial Square 6-10pm	21	22	23	24 Victoria Dodgeball Championships – Royal Athletic Park	25
Victoria Fringe Festival						
26	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	29	<u>30</u>	31	1
Victoria Fringe Festival						
35th Annual Victoria Classic Boat Festival						
Victoria Fringe Festival						
19th Annual Vancouver Island Blues Bash						

Programs and Events

We welcome you to come to the the UVic Family Centre for a **Pancake Breakfast on Saturday July 27th from 9-10:30 am**. Rain or shine, come join us for pancakes, stories and fun! Wear your pajamas, and for those of you with kids, don't forget to bring your favourite stuffed toy along!

Playgroups:

On **Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday** mornings from **10am-12noon**, the Family Centre hosts fun and energetic playgroups for children under five with their caregiver. The playgroups include arts and crafts, free play, circle time, and snack.

Introducing Our Newest Staff Member



My name is Johanna Payjack and I am an Early Childhood Educator, and I am excited to join the Family Centre team. I have 12 years of experience with children ages 3 years old up to 5 years old in a daycare with a preschool program, and I also have experience with toddlers and infants, too.

I enjoy playing outside, exploring, gardening, making messes, singing songs, reading stories and creating art with children. In my home life, my husband, our son and I are new to Victoria and are enjoying walking around the city, the beaches and gardens. I look forward to meeting everyone at the Family Centre and I hope we can share our favorite things to do in Victoria.

After School Club:

The After School Club will resume in September.

Make and Take:

Need a night out? The Family Centre is open on **Monday** evenings from **7-9pm** for a community crafting group.

Book Club:

The Family Centre has a book club that meets on the third Thursday of each month to discuss a novel chosen by the group.

Community Markets



North Saanich Farm Market

June 1 to October 12
Saturdays 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
St. John's United Church

Sidney Summer Market

May 30 to August 29
Thursdays 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
On Beacon Avenue in Sidney

Oak Bay Village Summer Market

June 19 to September 18
Wednesdays 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Moss Street Market

May 4 to October 26
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Corner of Moss St and Fairfield Rd

Ship Point Night Market 2013

June 14 – September 15
Saturday and Sunday 7 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Victoria Downtown Farmers' Market 2013

May – November
Wednesdays, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Victoria Public Market at the Hudson

Uptown Shopping Centre Outdoor Market

Sunday from 11.00am – 3.00pm

Oaklands Sunset Series 2013

Bi-weekly Wednesdays of each month, 4:30-8:30
Oaklands Community Centre

James Bay Outdoor Community Market

May 4 to October 12
Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
At the corner of Menzies and Superior Streets in James Bay