

NEWS RELEASE

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Musical acts for Concerts in the Park announced

Popular series returns for 2024

Summary

The City of Nanaimo's Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture is pleased to announce the schedule for the 2024 Concerts in the Park series. The free concerts showcase local talent against the backdrop of some of Nanaimo's most beautiful parks.

Concert-goers will have the opportunity to enjoy a variety of music genres, including motown, indie rock, folk/blues, and celtic. Audience members are reminded to bring a chair or a blanket and to dress for the weather. New this year are a number of double or triple feature shows which will allow families to enjoy a variety of entertainment along with a picnic or dinner in the park! The 2024 schedule is as follows:

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Sun, May 12, 1-2 p.m. - Laura Kelsey at Colliery Dam Park (as part of Family Fishing Day)

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Fri, May 17, 6-8:15 p.m. - Mostly Motown and Turnpike at Maffeo Sutton Park (double feature in partnership with Food Truck Fridays)

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Wed, June 12, 6-7 p.m. - Baby Bleu at Kin Park

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Fri, June 28, 5-8:30 p.m. - The Shindigs, Danger Box and Maverick Cinema at Maffeo Sutton Park (triple feature in partnership with Food Truck Fridays)

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Wed, July 10, 6-7 p.m. - Dagger Harbour at McGregor Park

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Wed, July 17, 6-7 p.m. - String Fever at Pipers Lagoon Park

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Wed, July 31, 6-7 p.m. - Cosmic Dust at Harewood Centennial Park

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Wed, Aug 7, 6-7 p.m. - Piu at the Bowen Park Amphitheatre

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Wed, Aug 14, 6-7 p.m. - Dublin2 at Oliver Woods

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Wed, Aug 21, 6-7 p.m. - Mike Alviano at Westwood Lake Park

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Fri, August 23, 6-8:15 p.m. - Sundown: The Gordon Lightfoot Experience and The Shineolas at Maffeo Sutton Park (double feature in partnership with Food Truck Fridays)

A schedule with further details on each performance is available on the City of Nanaimo website. Please note that parking is limited at many parks, citizens are encouraged to use alternative transportation when possible.

Strategic Link: In the Official Community Plan (C4.8) Community events, festivals, tournaments, and gatherings are an essential part of how we celebrate who we are as a city and a people.

Key Points

- The 2024 series features 15 acts spread across 11 nights of music in Nanaimo parks and open spaces.
- For the first time, the series will have some double and triple feature nights at Maffeo Sutton Park in May, June and August.
- The first show is on May 12th at Colliery Dam Park (1-2 p.m.) as part of Family Fishing Day.

Quotes

"Concerts in the Park is a beloved tradition in Nanaimo, and an excellent way to showcase our talented, local musicians. I invite you to pack a picnic and enjoy free entertainment in our spectacular parks this summer."

Leonard Krog
Mayor
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- Over 200 performers applied to play at Concerts in the Park this year.
- A number of the shows this year have partnered up with other events to create a family festival atmosphere. Look for us at two of the Family Fun nights, three Food Truck Friday dates, and at Family Fishing Day!

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