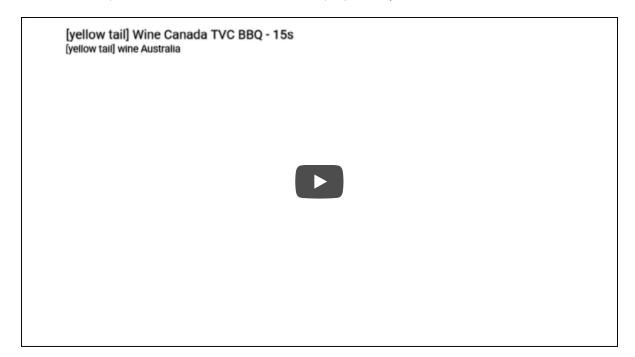
Seven things to do in the Lower Mainland from July 20 to 26

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Uncle Fester, the corpse flower

When: Any day now

Where: Bloedel Conservatory, Queen Elizabeth Park

Tickets and info: Vancouver.ca (https://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/bloedel-conservatory.aspx)

The Titan Arum is a large flowering plant native to the rainforests of Sumatra and listed as being "at risk." The giant plant has another name, the corpse flower. It doesn't get this name from having the largest corm — the rounded storage organ of the plant can reach 90kg — of any plant on the planet. It gets it from the utterly overpowering stench of rotten meat it releases when it blooms. Vancouver acquired its corpse flower, named "Uncle Fester," in 2016 and it went off, so to speak, last week. There, now that's over and you can just come to the Bloedel Conservatory to enjoy all the other lovely plants, happy birds and — yes — check out the corpse flower too. It's cool looking when it isn't stinking.





 $\textbf{Logo For America. Art installation by Alfredo Jaar at corner of Granville and Robson.} \quad \texttt{ROAMING-THE-PLANET} \\ \textit{/ PNG}$

Alfredo Jaar: A Logo For America

When: to August 28

Where: Robson and Granville

Info: vancouverbiennale.com (https://www.vancouverbiennale.com/)

The 2018-2020 Vancouver Biennale, titled re-IMAGE-n (reimagine), hosts a load of awesome programs ranging from Islamic art workshops to the CineFest LIVE film program. But what most of the public knows the event for are the large scale public artworks that are meant to inspire and

introduce dialogue. Chilean-Canadian artist Alfredo Jaar's digital sculpture titled A Logo for America reimagines a progressive social framework in place of what we presently experience.



Moya O'Connell and Ben Carlson star in the 2018 edition of the Bard on the Beach production of Macbeth. PNG

Macbeth

When: to Sept. 13, various dates/times

Where: BMO Mainstage, Bard on the Beach, Vanier Park

Tickets and info: bardonthebeach.org (https://bardonthebeach.org/)

There is heavy Shakespeare. And then there is Macbeth. With the exception of King Lear, there is no other work by the playwright as bleak and relentless as this story of a Scottish general wooed by power into bottomless corruption and violence. Director Chris Abraham (Crow Theatre) has done a great job of presenting the work as a true period piece and Ben Carson (Macbeth) and Moya O'Connell (Lady Macbeth) are marvellous as the tortured schemers. Plus, this show deserves a Jessie for sound design. The way the winds of the Highlands are created is so cool.





Melanie Scrofano as Wynonna Earp is back for season 3 of the supernatural actions series. WYNONNA EARP SEASON 2, INC / WYNONNA EARP SEASON 2, INC./SEVEN TWENTY-FOUR PRODUCTIONS/IDW ENTERTAINMENT

Wynonna Earp: Season 3

When: July 20, 9 p.m.

Where: Syfy

Info: syfy.com (http://www.syfy.com/)

In theory, this show shouldn't work as well as it does. Developed by Emily Andras from Beau Smith's comic series, this dark fantasy Western series based around the great-great-granddaughter of Wyatt Earp fighting all manner of monster/chiller/horror creatures in a cursed region of the Canadian Rockies is just over-the-top enough to be quite a hoot. Watching revenants being returned to hell has rarely been this fun.







Artemis Spencer (red) battles with Alex Plexis as superstars of the ECCW tangled at the Ballroom Brawl at the Commodore Ballroom in Vancouver on Saturday, January 18, 2014 JENELLE SCHNEIDER / PROVINCE

ECCW Ballroom Brawl X

When: July 21, 7 p.m.

Where: Commodore Ballroom

Tickets and info: livenation.com (https://concerts1.livenation.com/event/1100548DA2F8647E?

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If there's one thing that goes well in a grand old heritage ballroom, it's an all-out pro wrestling showdown with no-holds-barred bash and crash action. The characters such as El P, The Wisemen and purple-haired Shreddz are all dedicated to giving you serious entertainment every time that they hit the stage.



Twilight Tuesdays

When: July 24, 7 p.m.

Where: Science World

Tickets and info:scienceworld.ca (https://www.scienceworld.ca/after-dark? gclid=EAlalQobChMIveXG8Kya3AIVTb7ACh2sUwhYEAAYASAAEgI9dvD_BwE)

The Science Behind Pixar's exhibition at Science World is a big hit with kids of all ages. As part of its special programming around the exhibition, the venue is offering extended hours on Tuesdays through to August 28. Not only can you check out the exhibits from 5 to 9 p.m., but there will also be a screening series of Pixar films in the Science Theatre at 7 p.m. The delightful Ratatouille runs this week and you can check the website for the full listings. Also taking place on Twilight Tuesdays are evening screenings of the film Dunkirk in the Omnimax theatre, 7:30 p.m.



Popcorn chicken at Chef Lieu Ktichen, Richmond Public Market. PNG

Richmond Public Market Food Court

When: Daily, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Where: 8260 Westminster Hwy., Richmond

Info: <u>f (https://www.facebook.com/Richmond-Public-Market-270365649683139/)</u> acebook.com/ (https://www.facebook.com/Richmond-Public-Market-270365649683139/)

Think all food courts are created equal? Think again. As any food court foodie will let you know, there are always specific outlets in specific places that make meals that punch far above what you

might expect. Such is the case at the Richmond Public Market, where there are a number of very good Chinese regional shops as well as the excellent Taiwan style deep fried spicy chicken nuggets at Chef Liu Kitchen. Mmmm, crispy, salty, tangy and juicy inside, these are some serious nibbles. Pair with a soup from Xi'an Cuisine and you've got lunch.

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