

Celebrate Our Local Waterways



Location: Burnaby Village Museum
Date: Sunday, September 24, 2017
Time: 11:00am-4:30pm
Cost: Free Admission, Carousel Rides \$1.25
Website: burnabyvillagemuseum.ca/worldriversday

World Rivers Day celebrations return to the Burnaby Village Museum on Sunday, September 24, from 11am - 4:30pm. Juno nominated children's artist Ginalina will be the headlining musical performer.

This family friendly event also features environmental exhibitors with hands-on activities for kids and a variety of children's entertainers. The heritage-styled village and museum grounds containing Deer Lake Brook provide the perfect setting for this community celebration.

The entertainment program includes the unique and entertaining 'Stories on Wheels'. This engaging story-teller, with a mobile set of props, will have visitors of all ages captivated. The Nylon Zoo will be back with their brightly coloured costumes and stories in the 'whale'. Their high energy parades are always a hit with kids and their parents. Watch for Squiddy, a friendly giant squid roaming the village singing his fishy songs. Be here early to start your day with a giggle.

Ginalina, a Juno-nominated songwriter and performer for children and families, headlines this year's entertainment program. Her music is warm. She is fun and sometimes silly. She has recorded 3 albums, received 3 parent choice awards and 3 nominations for children's artist of the year. Ginalina will play two sets: 11:45am-12:30pm and 1pm-1:45pm. Be prepared to participate!

Exhibitors with hand-on activities, demonstrations, and educational sessions will be on-site. Visitors can get their fingers wet at the Vancouver Aquarium's *AquaZone*. Two Vancouver Aquarium Educators will bring a wide variety of marine artifacts and our most hardy inter-tidal animals as part of an engaging and interactive display. And we are also pleased to welcome Coast Salish educator and ethnobotanist Cease Wyss, who will share her knowledge of how native plants have long been used in Aboriginal health and healing. The Science Alive team from Simon Fraser University will be hosting science experiments for kids.



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Wander through the displays and chat with the folks from O.W.L. Orphaned Wildlife, North Shore Black Bear Society, Coastal Painted Turtle Project, Stanley Park Ecological Society, Burnaby Lake Park Association, Byrne Creek Streamkeepers, Stoney Creek Environmental Committee to name just a few opportunities. Check our [website](#) often; additional community groups will be confirmed.

The Ice Cream Parlour will be open for lunch and the special of the day is a Salmon BBQ Burger. Other light meal options and treats will also be available.

Be sure to pause on the bridge that crosses Deer Lake Brook to take in the beauty of this waterway that runs through the village site. For the past two years, in the fall Chum and Coho salmon have been returning from the ocean to this waterway to spawn.

Leave time to stroll through the Village and into Burnaby's past. Explore the interurban tram, chat with the clerk at the General Store and hear the printer working the Platen Press. Grab a seat in the Central Park Theatre where a special World Rivers Day themed documentaries will be screened. As part of the [City of Burnaby's Celebrate 125](#) activities, rides on the carousel only \$1.25 (including taxes).

Background

World Rivers Day is celebrated by millions of people around the globe. The event was created by Burnaby resident and internationally renowned conservationist, Mark Angelo. Mark will be on site and speaking during the 'Welcoming Remarks' at 1:00pm. His advice on World Rivers Day is to go to a river, creek, or stream—and do it with a kid. In 1993, the City of Burnaby was the first municipality in BC to proclaim BC Rivers Day.

"Rivers are the arteries of our planet; they are lifelines in the truest sense." ~Mark Angelo

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More event details are available on our [website](#). (www.burnabyvillagemuseum.ca/worldriversday)

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