

The Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society



The VNCS was formed in 1993 specifically to establish a sense of community for those of Japanese heritage and/or those interested in Japanese culture.

As stated in our constitution, the purpose of our society is to:



- Promote the awareness of Japanese culture for the benefit of its members and the greater community;
- Represent the Japanese community to the greater community;
- Support related Japanese organizations; and
- Identify and serve the needs of the Nikkei community.



Throughout the year, the VNCS organizes social events for its members, often with a theme related to a Japanese holiday or special occasion. Our promotion of Japanese culture is not only for our members but is also open to the greater community.

Where appropriate, the VNCS will act as a spokes-organization for the Nikkei community. We work with other similar cultural/ethnic-minded organizations such as the National Association of Japanese Canadians and the Victoria Japanese Friendship Society, to promote

Japanese culture.

The VNCS is registered under the BC Society Act, has charitable status and is a member of the Intercultural Association of Greater Victoria. For more information about the VNCS, including how to become a member, please visit our website (www.vncs.ca).

In 2014, the VNCS has been proud to sponsor, support and/or promote the following community events:

- Mochi-Tsuki Kai (held with the Japanese Friendship Society and the Victoria Japanese Heritage Language School)
- Japanese Cultural Experience—Appreciation for Support Japan 2011 Fundraising efforts
- Succession of Bloom (Cheery Blossom Tracking)
- VNCS 20th Anniversary Gala Dinner
- Hiroshima and Nagasaki Remembered
- VNCS O-Bon Festival at Ross Bay Cemetery



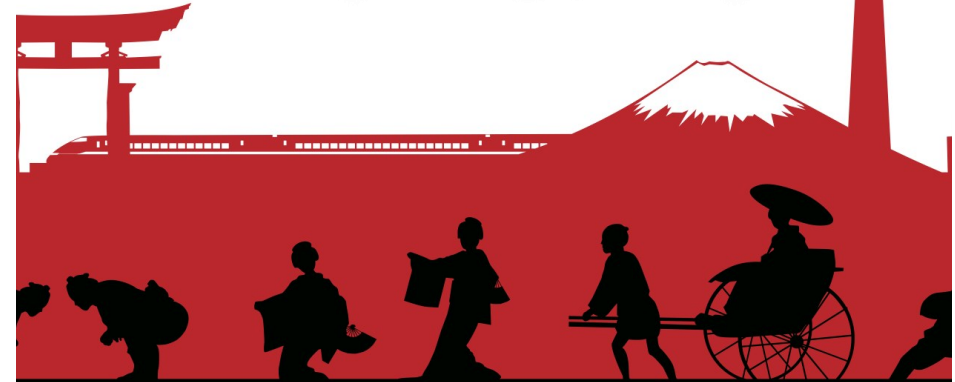
And many others!

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The Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society's 15th Annual Japanese Cultural Fair

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Celebrating Japanese-Canadian Culture

Saturday, October 25th, 2014

10:00AM - 4:00PM

Esquimalt Recreation Centre

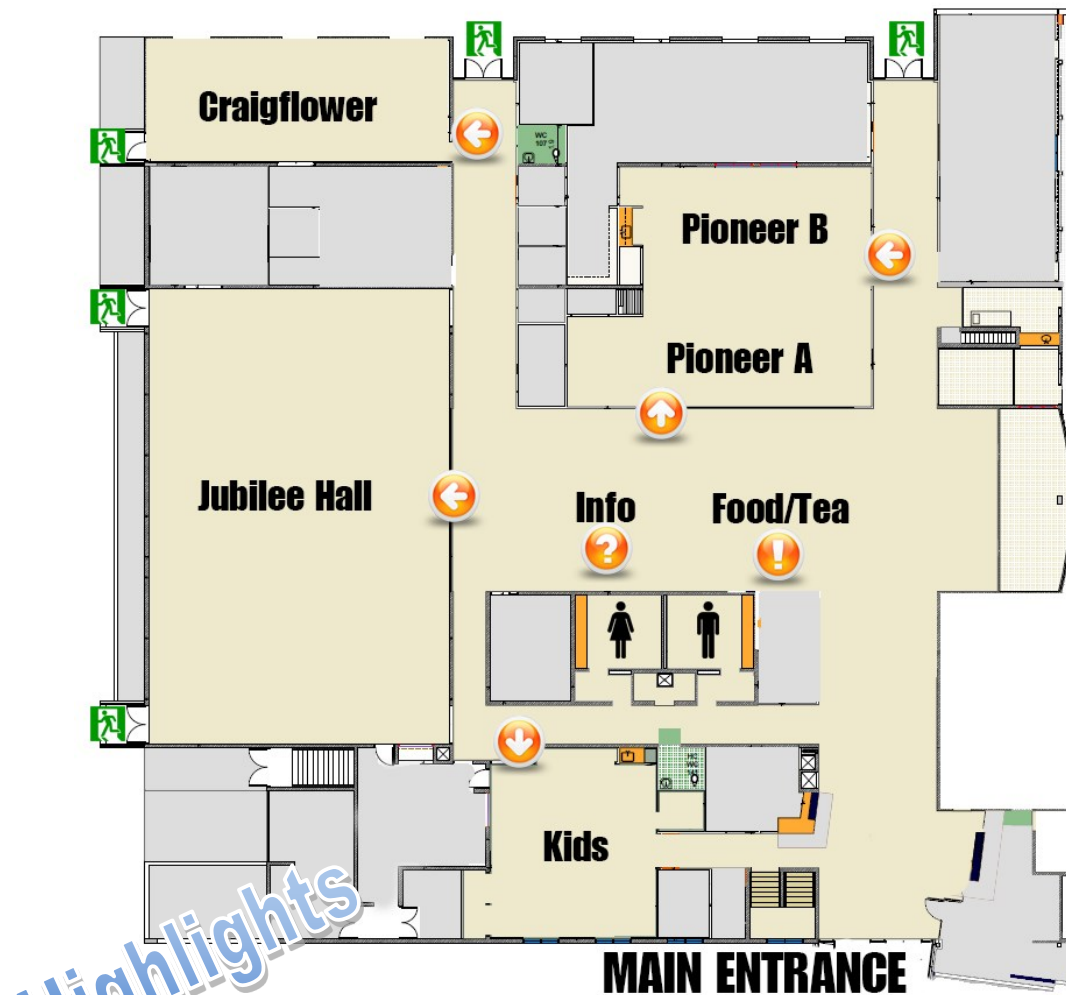
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Performance and Demonstration Schedule

START	Performance/Demonstration	Location
10:45 – 11:10	Tea Ceremony #1 - Nagomi Tea Circle	Pioneer B
11:15 – 11:40	Taiko Performance #1 - Uminari Taiko	Jubilee Hall
11:45 – 12:10	Koto Performance #1 - Satomi Edwards	Pioneer B
	Bonsai Demonstration #1 - Vancouver Island Bonsai	Craigflower
	Rakugo Story Telling - Michael and Natsuki Abe	Kids
12:10	Door Prize Draw #1	Jubilee Hall
12:15 - 12:40	Aikido Demonstration – SanShukan Aikikai	Jubilee Hall
	Chrysanthemums & Maple Leaves: Sho, Shakuhachi & Koto - Naomi Sato, Bruce Huebner & Miyama Tokita	Craigflower
	Ikebana Demonstration #1 - Michiko Seguev	Pioneer A
12:45 – 1:10	Soran Bushi/Youth Choir – Victoria Japanese Heritage Language School Society	Jubilee Hall
	Kyudo Talk (Japanese Archery) - Brian Angene	Craigflower
1:15 – 1:40	J-Pop and Cosplay Showcase - Vic48 & PLOM Cosplay	Jubilee Hall
	Tea Ceremony #2 - Nagomi Tea Circle	Pioneer B
	Bonsai Demonstration #2 - Vancouver Island Bonsai	Craigflower
1:45 – 2:10	Bon Odori Dance - Furusato Dancers	Jubilee Hall
	Early Japanese settlement in BC and Victoria - Gordon & Ann-Lee Switzer	Craigflower
	Rakugo Story Telling #2 - Michael and Natsuki Abe	Kids
2:15 – 2:40	Kendo Demonstration - Victoria Kendo Club	Jubilee Hall
	The Artistry of Japanese Tea - Daniela Cubelic	Craigflower
	Ikebana Demonstration #2 - Michiko Seguev	Pioneer A
2:45 – 3:10	Koto Performance #2 - Satomi Edwards	Pioneer B
	Kimono Dressing - Hitomi Harama & Tomoko Okada	Craigflower
3:10	Door Prize Draw #2 Silent Auction (Bidding Closes)	Jubilee Hall
3:15 – 3:40	Taiko Performance #2 - Uminari Taiko	Jubilee Hall
3:45 – 4:00	Raffle & Volunteer Prizes	Jubilee Hall

Japanese Cultural Fair Map



Highlights

- **Naomi Sato, Bruce Huebner & Miyama Tokita** will be doing a musical presentation called “Chrysanthemums & Maple Leaves: Sho, Shakuhachi & Koto” in the Craigflower Room at 12:15pm.
- **Brian Angene** who recently founded the Victoria Kyudo Association will be returning to do a presentation on **Kyudo (Japanese Archery)** in the Craigflower room at 12:45pm.
- **Vic48** (a local take on AKB48) and **PLOM Cosplay** will be showcasing some **Japanese pop culture** in the Jubilee Hall at 1:15pm.
- **Gordon & Ann-Lee Switzer**, our resident historians of **Victoria’s early Japanese community** and authors of the book “Gateway to Promise: Canada’s First Japanese Community” will be giving an illustrated talk in the Craigflower room at 1:45pm.
- **Daniela Cubelic** who owns Silk Road Tea will be joining us for the first time to do a presentation on the **Artistry of Japanese Tea** in the Craigflower room at 2:45pm.