

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 2015, 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)
- Kiri's Piano with France Benoit
- Succession of Bloom (Cheery Blossom Tracking)
- 30th Anniversary Celebration of Sister Cities (Victoria & Morioka)
- All Japanese Show 'n Shine (Car Show)
- VNCS Summer Social (Tanabata Family Picnic)
- Kentaro Kihara performance at UVic
- Hiroshima and Nagasaki Remembered
- O-Bon Festival at Ross Bay Cemetery (with the Japanese Friendship Society)



And many others!

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The Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society's

16th Annual Japanese Cultural Fair



日系文化祭

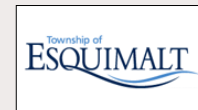
Celebrating Japanese-Canadian Culture

Saturday, October 24th, 2015

10:00AM - 4:00PM

Esquimalt Recreation Centre

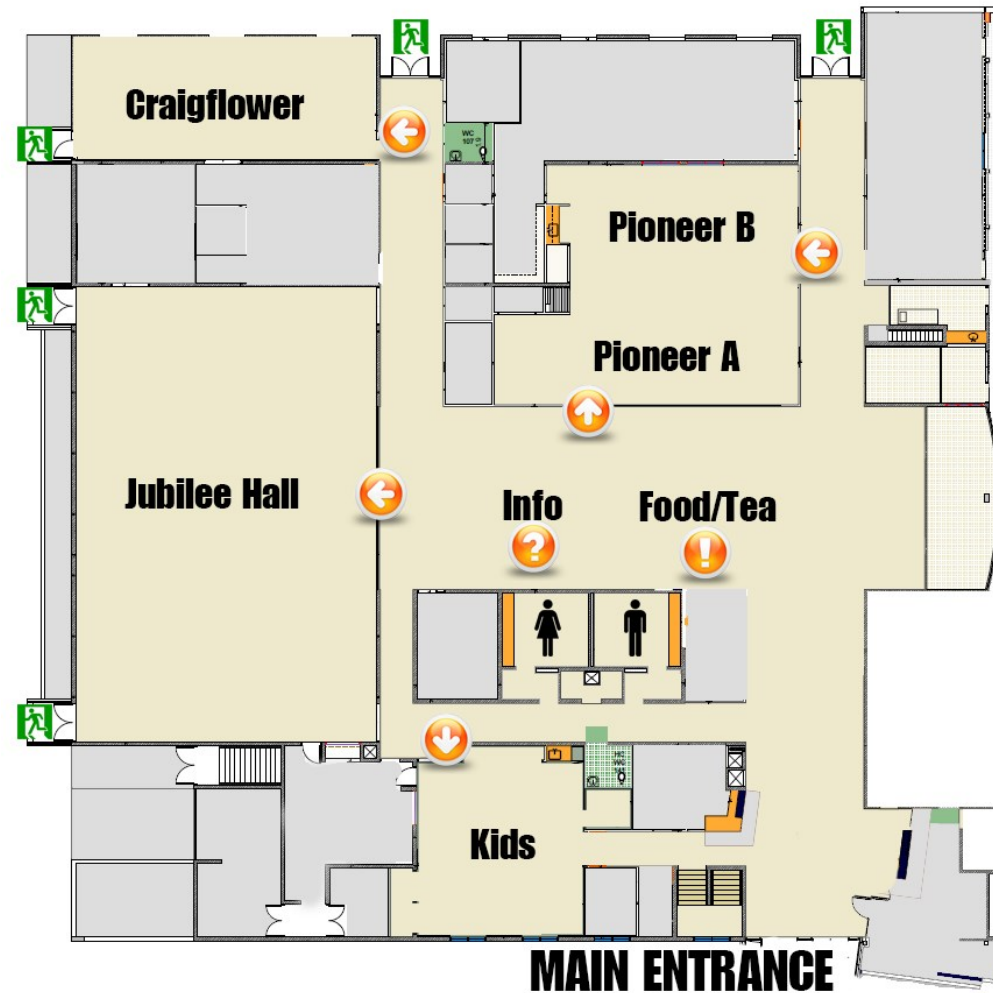
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Performance and Demonstration Schedule

START	Performance/Demonstration	Location
10:45 – 11:10	Tea Ceremony #1 - Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association	Pioneer B
	Empowering Nikkei Youth across Canada - Erica Isomura	Craigflower
11:15 – 11:40	Taiko Performance #1 - Uminari Taiko	Jubilee Hall
11:45 – 12:10	Koto Performance #1 - Satomi Edwards	Pioneer B
	Bonsai Demonstration - Vancouver Island Bonsai	Craigflower
	Kamishibai Story Telling - Rebecca Kool	Kids
12:10	Door Prize Draw #1	Jubilee Hall
12:15 - 12:40	Karate Demonstration – Kenzen Karate Sports Club	Jubilee Hall
	Fresh and easy cooking with Japanese vegetables - Umi Nami Farms	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	Iaido - The Way of the Sword - Shoshinkai Victoria Iaido	Jubilee Hall
	Tea Ceremony #2 - Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association	Pioneer B
	Japanese Animation Through Time – Wynter Caron, Tsukino-Con	Craigflower
1:45 – 2:10	Bon Odori Dance - Furusato Dancers	Jubilee Hall
	Victoria's First Japanese Immigrant - Gordon & Ann-Lee Switzer	Craigflower
	Rakugo Story Telling - Michael and Natsuki Abe	Kids
2:15 – 2:40	Kendo Demonstration - Victoria Kendo Club	Jubilee Hall
	Japanese Tea Journey - Daniela Cubelic	Craigflower
	Ikebana Demonstration #2 - Michiko Seguev	Pioneer A
2:45 – 3:10	Koto Performance #2 - Satomi Edwards	Pioneer B
	How to Wear Kimono - Hitomi Harama	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



NEW THIS YEAR

- **Japanese Canadian Young Leaders** presenting in Craigflower at 10:45
- **Kenzen Sports Karate** karate demonstration in the Jubilee Hall at 12:15
- **Umi Nami Farms** will be presenting on fresh and easy cooking with Japanese vegetables in the Craigflower at 12:15.
- **Shoshinkai Victoria** will be doing an iaido demonstration in the Jubilee Hall at 1:15
- **Japanese Animation Through Time** presentation in the Craigflower Room at 1:15

SPECIAL MENTION

- **Harumi Ota** (master potter) will be doing pottery demonstrations in the Kids Room all day (you don't need to be a kid to drop in and watch).
- **Urasenke Tankokai** (formerly Nagomi Tea Circle) will be demonstrating Ryuei.
- **Shodo** (10-1) and **Sumie** (1-4) in Jubilee Hall