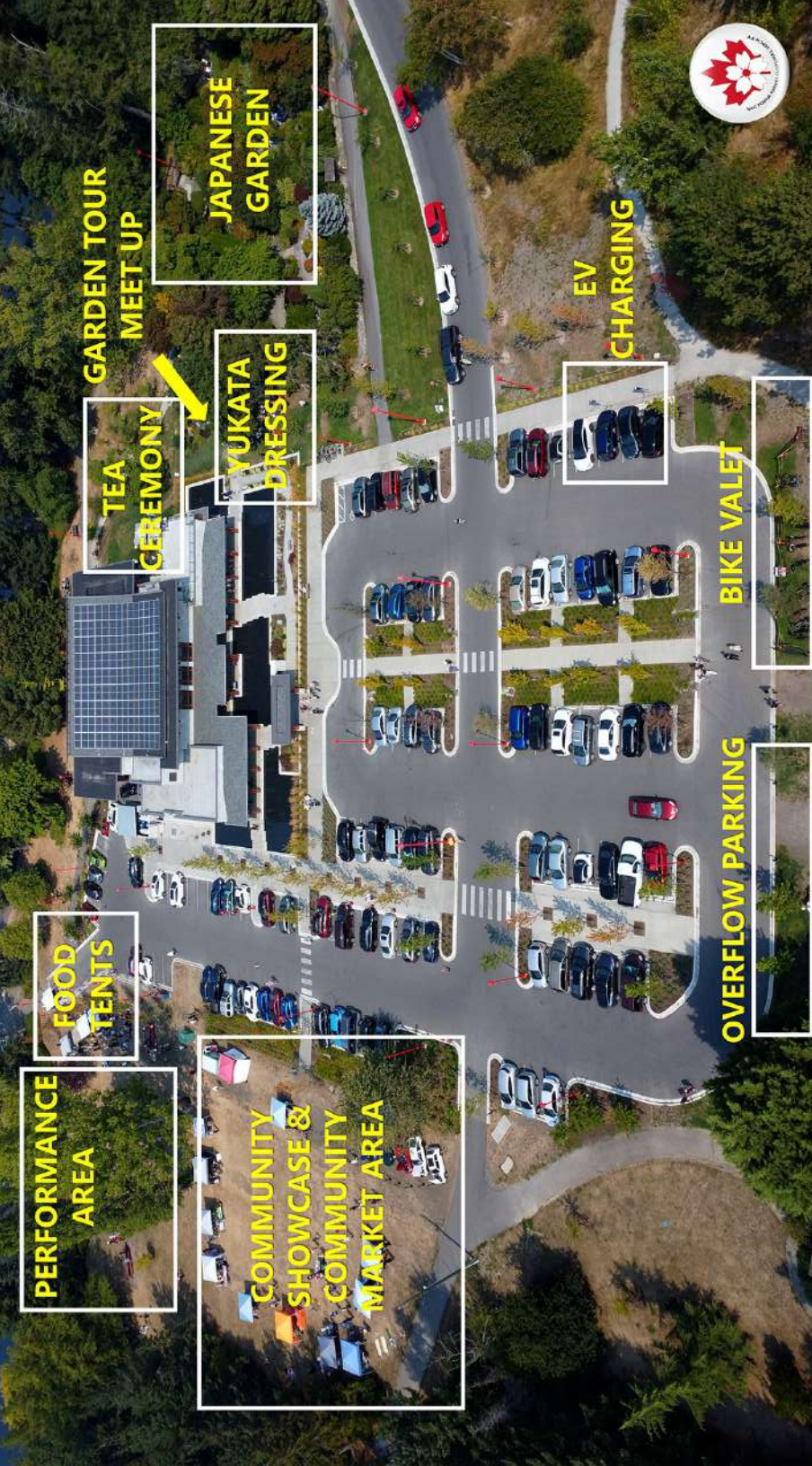




This year we are pleased to announce the second year of the **Community MARKET** where local and out of town commercial vendors can sell their wares. The **Community SHOWCASE** will again allow other local non-profit groups to promote their organizations. Finally, the **VNCS Kids Crafts and Games** will again be on the right hand side of the Showcase/Market (Upper Field) area.

The Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society's 26th Japanese Cultural Fair

日系文化祭

Celebrating Japanese-Canadian Culture

Saturday, August 29, 2026

9:45AM - 4:00PM

Esquimalt Gorge Park & Pavilion
Program Schedule

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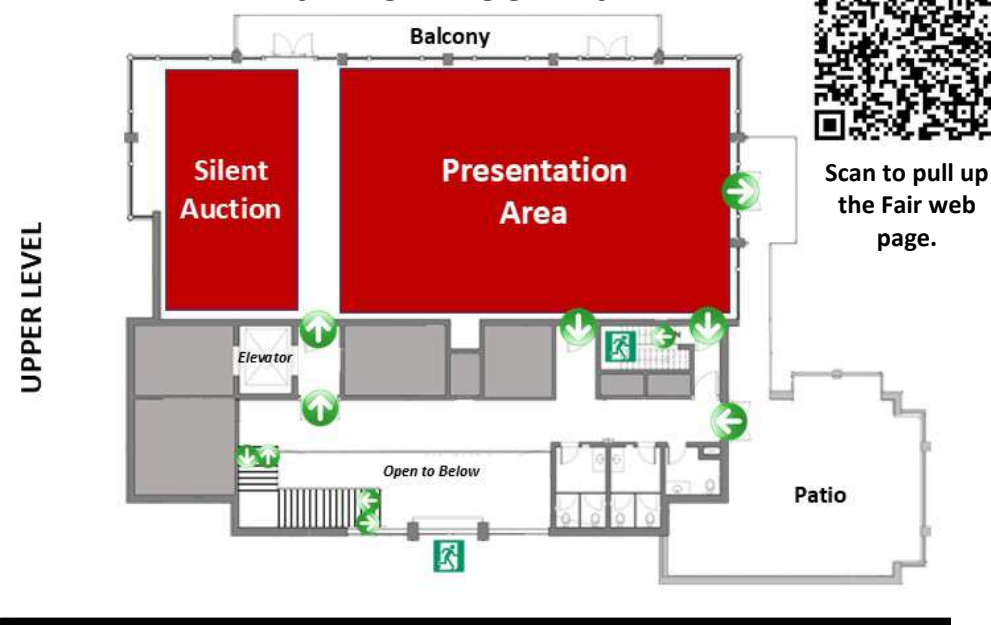
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Time Slot	Performance/Demonstration	日本語	Location
9:45-10:00	Opening Ceremony	開会式	Outdoor Performance Area
10:00-10:25	Taiko Opening (Uminari Taiko)	太鼓演奏	Outdoor Performance Area
10:30-10:55	Iaido Presentation (Shoshinkai Victoria Iaido)	居合道	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Sumo Tiger Performance	相撲タイガー	Outdoor Performance Area
11:00-11:25	A Photographic Journey inside Japanese Homestay and Culture (Rebecca Barnard)	日本のホームステイと文化を巡る写真の旅	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Tea Ceremony #1 (Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association)	茶道	Outside – to the right of the Pavilion
	Koto Performance (Satoshi Edwards)	箏演奏	Pavilion - Upper Level
11:30-11:55	Ikebana Demonstration #1 (Amanda Gaunt)	華道	Pavilion - Lower – Middle (Room C)
	Historical Garden Tour #1 (Michael Abe)	日本庭園ツアー	Outside - meet near Tea Ceremony
	Bon Odori Dance Performance (Furusato Dancers)	盆踊り	Outdoor Performance Area
12:00-12:25	Judo Demonstration (Victoria Judo Club)	柔道 デモンストレーション	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Tea Ceremony #2 (Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association)	茶道	Outside – In the Garden (Wisteria Tree)
12:30-12:55	Matcha Presentation (Jared Nyberg of Jagasilk)	抹茶について	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Ninjutsu, Jujutsu, & Koryu Karate (Genbukan Kongo Dojo)	忍術と柔術 古流空手	Outdoor Performance Area
1:00-1:25	Aikido Demonstration (Victoria Aikido Centre)	合気道 デモンストレーション	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Tea Ceremony #3 (Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association)	茶道	Outside – to the right of the Pavilion
1:30-1:55	Ancient Japan on a Canadian Island: Exploring a Shinto Shrine (Ann Evans)	カナダの島にある古代日本: 神道神社探求	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Historical Garden Tour #2 (Michael Abe)	日本庭園ツアー	Outside - meet near Tea Ceremony
	Soran Dancers (Victoria Japanese Heritage Language School Society)	日本語学校によるダンス	Outdoor Performance Area
2:00-2:25	Rina and Tohoku Minyo Band (Rina El-Nahas and the Japanese Minyo Band)	民謡	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Tea Ceremony #4 (Urasenke Tankokai Victoria Association)	茶道	Outside - to the right of the Pavilion
2:30-2:55	J-Pop (Terri Mayhem)	J-ポップ by テリ メイヘム	Pavilion - Upper Level
	Ikebana Demonstration #2 (Susan Kurushima)	華道	Pavilion - Lower – Middle (Room C)
3:00-3:25			Outdoor Performance Area
			Pavilion - Upper Level
3:30-4:00	Taiko Finale (Uminari Taiko)	太鼓演奏	Outdoor Performance Area

Highlights: We are pleased to be featuring **Sumo Tigers** who recently stood up the club here in Victoria. They will perform outside in the morning at 11:00am. We are also featuring **Terri Mayhem** (J-Pop Singer). She will be performing inside the Pavilion on the Upper Level at 2:30pm. We've also added a new **Japanese Language Tent** in the Community Showcase where you can learn common Japanese words and phrases.

Pavilion Floor Plan



The **Upper Level** will host the **Presentations** and our famous **Silent Auction**!

The **Lower Level** is broken into 2 separate areas: **VNCS Café & Things Japanese** (Rooms A & B with Ice Cream Sodas, Taiyaki Parfaits, Dorayaki and our Famous Curious Curios) to the left and the **Ikebana Gallery** (Room C) on the right.

The **INFO Table** at the Main Entrance will feature our popular Mystery Bags, where you can make donations, and ask us any questions!