



The Jazziest Fest in Town

JUNE 22 TO JULY 1

Jazz fans dance in the streets—literally—at the unofficial kick-off to summer, the **TD Canada Trust Vancouver International Jazz Festival** (page 99). For 10 days, **jazz sounds fill the city**. Highlights include **Norah Jones (pictured)** at the Orpheum Theatre (Jun. 28), **Holly Cole** at The Centre (Jun. 23) and the **Blind Boys of Alabama** at The Centre (Jun. 30).

CANADA DAY

From noon to midnight on Jul. 1, **free jazz performances abound on Granville Island**. Bring the family to hear jazz musicians and celebrate our nation's birthday.



Alcan Dragon Boat Festival Taking over False Creek Jun. 16 and 17, this seaside fête celebrates Vancouver's cultural diversity with rockin' music, fun family activities and tasty tidbits from around the world. Performers at **North America's longest-running dragon boat festival** (page 100) include **Five Alarm Funk**, **Kutapira**, **DJ Michael Laycock**, **Santa Lucia** and **The Town Pants**.

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Bard on the Beach

TO SEPTEMBER 24

At this annual Shakespeare festival (page 101) in Vanier Park, theatre gets closer to nature. **Glorious ocean and mountain views** frame two mainstage shows and two studio shows running on alternating nights. **Romeo and Juliet (pictured)**, the classic tale of star-crossed lovers, opens Jun. 13, followed by **Julius Caesar** on Jun. 28.



My only love sprung from my only hate!

Hot Stuff

JUNE 15 & 16

Ladies, round up your gal pals: **the sexy, studly Chippendales** (page 100) are heating up the Red Robinson Show Theatre. And despite what you may have heard, the tantalizing music and dance revue is good, clean fun.



PHOTOS: KYLE RIDEOUT AS ROMEO AND TAYLOR TROWBRIDGE AS JULIET BY DAVID COOPER. SUZS BY MIKE SZASZIK. NATHALIE GAREAU IN EDOUARD LOCK'S AMJAD BY ANDRE TURPIN



1 SIZZLING SUMMER 6 COOL CONCERTS

1. JUNE 1 **Clint Black** brings down-home country charm to the Red Robinson Show Theatre (page 101). **2. JUNE 3** **Harry Connick, Jr.** croons at The Centre (page 100).

3. JUNE 8 & 9 **Natalie Cole (pictured)** grooves at the River Rock Show Theatre (page 101). **4. JUNE 15** **Gwen Stefani** rocks GM Place (page 101). **5. JUNE 16 & 17** **Tim McGraw and Faith Hill** get cowboy boots stompin' at GM Place (page 101). **6. JUNE 24** **The White Stripes** invade Deer Lake Park (page 101).

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BOB NEWHART

Red Robinson Show Theatre
The beloved comedian with the button-down mind (page 108).



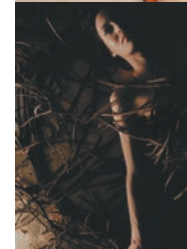
CESARIA EVORA

The Centre
The queen of mournful but spellbinding ballads (page 101).



AMJAD

The Centre
La La La Human Steps weaves together different dance styles (page 106).



BOYZ II MEN

River Rock Show Theatre
The triumphant return of Nathan, Shawn and Wayne (page 100).



SUZS

Arts Club Granville Island Stage Opening night of the bubbly summer romp featuring music of the '60s (page 106).



MARTIN SHORT

Red Robinson Show Theatre
Canada's favourite home-grown funny man does two shows in one night (page 108).

