



Go Canucks Go!

March 2, 5, 14, 16, 18, 19, 26, 28

Hockey fans breathed a huge sigh of relief when NHL players returned to the ice back in January. The only bright side of this abbreviated season is **hockey seemingly around the clock now**, as each team has to squeeze 48 games into just three months. See Schneider, Biekša, Malhotra, the Sedins and all your other favourite Vancouver Canucks (page 49) in action at eight home games this month in Rogers Arena.—*Sheri Radford*



DEFYING GENRES

To June 9

You won't find the usual superheroes and villains in Art Spiegelman's comic art, but his work still packs a punch. Best known for his Pulitzer Prize-winning graphic novel *Maus*, **Spiegelman often creates a stir with his genre-defying artwork**. Visit the Vancouver Art Gallery's *CO-MIX: A Retrospective of Comics, Graphics and Scraps* (page 25) to see work that spans his extraordinary career. From his first cover art for *The New Yorker* to panels from his early underground comics, there is plenty to marvel at.—*Jill Von Sprecken*

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Happy Easter

March 31

Nothing says Easter like a basket overflowing with **mouth-watering chocolates** from Purdy's (page 21). If you're counting calories and have to skip the bonbons, ask the Easter Bunny to deliver a **seasonal charm** from Thomas Sabo (page 22) instead. Either way, it's a sweet treat.—*Sheri Radford*



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DINING OUT FOR LIFE

March 7

For one day each year, restaurants across North America **contribute 25 percent of their sales to charities** that support people living with HIV/AIDS. In Metro Vancouver and Whistler, more than 200 eateries—from casual cafes to elegant rooms—are participating, giving diners a cornucopia of opportunities to benefit Friends For Life (www.friendsforlife.ca) and A Loving Spoonful (www.alovingspoonful.org). So, after enjoying breakfast at The Elbow Room Cafe (page 57), lunch at Doolin's Irish Pub (page 65) or dinner at Hawksworth Restaurant (**pictured**; page 67), you'll leave with both **a full belly and a warm heart**. For more info, see page 56.—*Sheri Radford*