

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

downtown Vancouver and Richmond, and onboard lunch upon request (**Apr 1-Oct 31**). 210-12240 Second Ave., Richmond. 604-274-9565. **Map 3: E2** www.vancouverwhalewatch.com

NIGHTLIFE

Lounges

GUILT & CO. Underground lounge in Gastown hosts live performances every night of the week. All shows are pay-what-you-can, and the music ranges from funk and jazz to hip hop and R&B. Open Tu-Sa. 1 Alexander St. 604-288-1704. **Map 1: C7** www.guiltandcompany.com

THE KEEFER BAR Sophisticated lounge makes apothecary-style cocktails with fresh local ingredients. Asian tapas are on the menu. Open daily. 135 Keefer St. 604-688-1983. **Map 1: C7** www.thekeefebars.com

LOBBY LOUNGE AND RAWBAR Live music paired with a large selection of specialty cocktails. Indulge in sustainable seafood at the RawBar, the city's first 100% Ocean Wise sushi venue. Open daily, 10 am until late. **Fairmont Pacific Rim:** 1038 Canada Place. 604-695-5300. **Map 1: B6** www.fairmont.com

Nightclubs

BILTMORE CABARET This historic space channels New Orleans circa 1940, resulting in a modern take on cabaret. Live music acts, burlesque and comedy shows. Dance floor, two bars, photo booth. Little Jesus (**Mar 1**). 8 pm. \$15. Colony House (**Mar 3**). 8 pm. \$20. Avi Kaplan (**Mar 17**). 8 pm. \$18. Lauren Ruth Ward (**Mar 23**). 8 pm. \$17. Georgia (**Apr 1**). 8 pm. \$17.50. The Warning (**Apr 6**). 9 pm. \$17.50. Dayglow (**Apr 20**). 8 pm. \$15. 2755 Prince Edward St. 604-676-0541. Tickets: 1-855-985-5000. **Map 4: D4** www.biltmorecabaret.com

COMMODORE BALLROOM Opened in 1929 and refurbished in the '90s, this granddaddy of city clubs is world-famous for its sprung dance floor. Davido (**Mar 1**). 9 pm. \$45. Refused (**Mar 4**). 8 pm. \$35. Keane (**Mar 5**). 8 pm. \$57.20. Grace Potter (**Mar 12**). 8 pm. \$34.50. The George Celebration: Bowie Alumni Play



Curtain Call

This spring, the Arts Club's three stages have something for every theatregoer. At the Granville Island Stage, the world premiere of *Cipher* (pictured; to Mar. 7; page 18) keeps audiences guessing, while *'da Kink in My Hair* (Apr. 16 to May 16; page 19) celebrates women of colour through music. At the Goldcorp Stage, *The Wedding Party* (to Mar. 22; page 18) shows all the hilarious confusion of one couple's big day, while *Every Brilliant Thing* (Apr. 2 to 26; page 18) is a surprisingly funny show about depression. At the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, *Carried Away on the Crest of a Wave* (Mar. 19 to Apr. 19; page 18) weaves together stories about 2004's deadly Indian Ocean tsunami.—*Sheri Radford*

Diamond Dogs & Ziggy Stardust (**Mar 13**). 9:30 pm. \$55.50. Grandson (**Mar 18**). 9 pm. \$24.50. La Roux (**Mar 20**). 9:30 pm. \$37.25. Brent Faiyaz (**Mar 21**). 9:30 pm. \$35. Blackberry Smoke (**Mar 22**). 8 pm. \$30. Sebastian Bach (**Mar 31**). 9 pm. \$39.50. The Monkees (**Apr 3**). 8 pm. \$77-\$107. Ali Gatie (**Apr 4**). 9 pm. \$20. Action Bronson (**Apr 8**). 9:30 pm. \$49.50. The Mavericks (**Apr 9**). 8:30 pm. \$59.50. Jon and Roy (**Apr 11**). 8 pm. \$29.50. Matt Corby (**Apr 17-18**). 9 pm. \$47.50. The Zombies (**Apr 24**). 7:30 pm. \$45. Joel Plaskett

(**Apr 25**). 9 pm. \$30. The Coronas (**Apr 26**). 8:30 pm. \$27.75. Bombay Bicycle Club (**Apr 29**). Corb Lund (**May 1**). 8:30 pm. \$47.25. 868 Granville St. 604-739-7469. Tickets: 1-855-985-5000. **Map 1: C5** www.thecommodoreballroom.com

THE GRANVILLE STRIP This expansive two-level venue features exotic dancers, an upbeat atmosphere and a selection of fine champagnes. Dress code. Open daily. 1050 Granville St. 778-379-0555. **Map 1: D5** www.thegravillestrip.com



GET LOST The Elizabethan hedge maze at VanDusen Botanical Garden's (page 22) countless nooks and crannies are guaranteed to leave visitors delightfully disoriented.