

SOUNDS OF SUMMER

JUL 15-17 Everyone knows summer starts in June, but for some Vancouverites, it doesn't truly arrive until the beginning of the Vancouver Folk Music Festival (page 72). For three sunny days each July, Jericho Beach Park overflows with sweet sounds ranging from folk to roots to bluegrass. Highlights of the 39th annual seaside festival include Bruce Cockburn, Nahko and Medicine for the People, The Wainwright Sisters, Oysterband and Lord Huron.

ENTERTAINMENT

SCIENTIFIC SLUMBER PARTY

JUL 15 What's better than an afternoon at Science World (page 76)? An entire night at the popular science centre housed in a geodesic dome. Inquisitive children aged six to 12 (and their parents) are invited to stay overnight and see an OMNIMAX film, a live science show and a dinosaur presentation by famed palaeontologist Dr. Scott Sampson, plus explore behind the scenes. There might even be some sleeping involved-but that part is far from guaranteed.





THE LONG GOODBYE

JUL 24, 26 When The Tragically Hip (page 74) announced recently that lead singer Gord Downie is suffering from terminal brain cancer, Canadians reacted with shock, followed by an outpouring of love for the Ontario band. If you're lucky enough to score tickets to The Hip's final tour, which rolls into Rogers Arena for two nights this month, expect emotional renditions of "Courage," "New Orleans Is Sinking" and dozens of other old favourites.