



Let There Be Lights

The festive season always makes spirits—and local streets—brighter. These displays of lights also **raise money for local charities**: Canyon Lights at Capilano Suspension Bridge (pictured; Dec. 4 to Jan. 2; page 32); Lights of Hope (through Mar.; page 33); Festival of Lights at VanDusen Botanical Garden (Dec. 11 to Jan. 3; page 33); and Bright Nights in Stanley Park (to Jan. 2; page 32).



GO, CANUCKS, GO!

Hockey fans definitely have something to cheer about, as the **local NHL team plays eight home games** at GM Place this month (page 53). Better ask Santa for a ticket in your stocking—and hope you're not on the naughty list—since these games always sell out fast.

HOCKEY PHOTO BY JEFF WINNICK COURTESY VANCOUVER CANUCKS



The Nutcracker

December 17 to 20

See Clara, the Sugar Plum Fairy and all the other memorable characters in this **beloved Christmas story**, danced by The Goh Ballet at The Centre in Vancouver for the Performing Arts (page 33).

CHRISTMAS AT CANADA PLACE

December 4 to 30

Canada Place's iconic five sails become a **canvas for an animation and lights show**, the likes of which you've never experienced before. Other Christmas activities include breakfasts with the jolly old elf himself and performers to entertain the kids (page 33).

THE NUTCRACKER AND WHITE CHRISTMAS PHOTOS BY DAVID COOPER



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COCO LOVE ALCORN

Just Singin' Round

The local singer and others raise money for charity (page 36).



JULIE ALBERS

Orpheum Theatre

The cellist performs with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (page 36).



ROGERS SANTA CLAUS PARADE

Downtown Vancouver

Santa spreads Christmas cheer (page 33).



HOLIDAY TRAIN

Old Saint Nick travels in style to collect donations for Canadian and American food banks (page 33).



CHARLOTTE DIAMOND

Centennial Theatre

The popular children's entertainer (page 36).



IRVING BERLIN'S WHITE CHRISTMAS: THE MUSICAL

The Stanley Closing night of the musical based on the timeless holiday film (page 33).

