

Bard on the Beach

TO SEPTEMBER 24

At this annual Shakespeare festival (page 117) in Vanier Park, theatre gets closer to nature. Glorious ocean and mountain views frame lively productions of *Julius Caesar* (pictured) and *Timon of Athens* on the Studio Stage, and *Romeo and Juliet* and *The Taming of the Shrew* on the Mainstage. No doubt the Bard would approve.

TAKE IT OUTSIDE

For more outdoor theatre, check out *Grease* and *Oklahoma!* running on alternate nights at *Theatre Under the Stars* (Jul. 11 to Aug. 18; page 117) in Stanley Park.



Canada's Birthday JULY 1

Patriotic fervour consumes the city as Vancouverites of all ages celebrate Canada Day with citizenship ceremonies, national-anthem singing competitions and fireworks.

So don your best red and white outfit and paint your face, then head to one of the many celebrations (page 111) to belt out "O Canada" like a local.

PHOTOS: (ABOVE) ALLAN MORGAN AS JULIUS CAESAR BY DAVID COOPER (L) COURTESY CANADA DAY AT CANADA PLACE

Blast from the Past

JULY 20 & 21

The Fab Four reunited?

You might think so when

RAIN - The Beatles

Experience (page 116)

invades the Orpheum

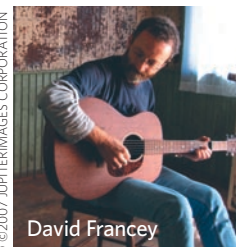
Theatre. Steve Landes, Joey Curatolo, Joe Bithorn

and Ralph Castelli—as John, Paul, George and

Ringo—get a little help from their friend, Mark Lewis,

on keyboards as they recreate Beatlemania in pitch-

perfect harmony. All that's missing is Ed Sullivan.



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FESTIVAL FUN Summer is definitely festival season on the West Coast.

1. JULY 7, 14, 21, 28 Chinatown Arts & Cultural Festival (page

111). **2. JULY 12 TO 15** Merritt Mountain Music Festival (page 112). **3. JULY 13 TO 15** Vancouver Folk Music Festival (page 112). **4. JULY**

27 TO 29 Mission Folk Music Festival (page 112). **5. JULY 29 TO**

AUGUST 17 Vancouver Early Music Festival (page 112).

Summer Snowboarding TO JULY 29

The beach is so passé. When it's sweltering hot, grab the snowboard and head to Blackcomb Mountain (page 112).

Snowbunnies love to work on their summer tans on the Blackcomb Glacier. If you're really lucky, you'll achieve the mythical Vancouver experience: snowboard, golf and sail all on the same day.



JULY

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DAMONDE TSCHITTER

Yuk Yuk's

Funny man delivers the laughs (page 124).



MOODY BLUES

Orpheum Theatre

Part of the '60s British invasion (page 116).



THE TRAGICALLY HIP

GM Place

Beloved home-grown rockers (page 117).



LIVE

River Rock Show Theatre

"Lightning Crashes" in Vancouver (page 116).



MOVE IT BIG TIME!

Scotiabank Dance Centre
Explore movement (page 122).



A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Queen's Park Bandshell
Madcap fairies (page 117).



ILLUMINARES LANTERN PROCESSION

Trout Lake Park
An illuminating evening of whimsy (page 112).

