



Holiday Lights

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, with **twinkling displays of festive lights** popping up all over town. The Festival of Lights (**pictured**) illuminates VanDusen Botanical Garden (Dec. 10 to Jan. 2; page 50), which overflows with elves, choirs, and the big man himself, Santa Claus. Other seasonal displays include Bright Nights in Stanley Park (to Jan. 2; page 50), Canyon Lights at Capilano Suspension Bridge (Dec. 3 to Jan. 2; page 50) and the Carol Ships Parade of Lights (Dec. 3 to 23; page 50).

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PHOTO BY R. CHAN. OTHER PHOTOS BY DAVID COOPER



Extra Extra

For more than a decade, local troupe Dancers Dancing has been producing eclectic, **thought-provoking works that push the boundaries**. Their new full-length dance production, *Extra Extra*, explores how modern citizens cope with contemporary society and the frenetic energy of the 21st-century world. See it at the Firehall Arts Centre (Dec. 1 to 4; page 53).



Irving Berlin's White Christmas

Singing, tapdancing and—of course—that Academy Award-winning title song all add up to some **old-fashioned Christmas fun**. Recapture the joy of the Bing Crosby-Danny Kaye film in this lively production at the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage (Dec. 4 to Jan. 2; page 51). But don't delay: tickets to last year's run sold out quickly.