The Great Indoors

The weather outside is sometimes frightful, but the indoor activities are always delightful **BY SHERI RADFORD**

Take in spectacular views of Canada Place, skyscrapers, Stanley Park, the North Shore Mountains and the Pacific Ocean from the Vancouver Lookout's observation deck, 169 m (553 ft) above the city

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(Clockwise from L) Lush greenery at the Bloedel Conservatory. Enormous blue whale skeleton at the Beaty Biodiversity Museum. Tasty treats and delicacies at the Granville Island Public Market

1 Get an unparalleled 360-degree view of the city from the Vancouver Lookout (page 58).

2 Learn about balloons, bubbles, bodies, beavers, bears, butterflies, bugs and a whole lot more at Science World (page 57).

3 Paint your face blue and green and cheer for the home team at a Vancouver Canucks (page 54) hockey game in Rogers Arena. Or do up your face in blue and white and root for the Vancouver Whitecaps (page 54) at a soccer game in BC Place.

4 Experience a moment of Zen watching the mesmerizing jellyfish at the Vancouver Aquarium (page 58).

5 Spend a leisurely day browsing through the handcrafted souvenirs and tasty treats at the Granville Island Public Market (page 15).

6 Admire the Coliseum-inspired architecture at the Vancouver Public Library (page 58), and maybe read a book or two.

7 Sip a coffee and cuddle the friendly felines at Catfé (page 67), the city's first cat cafe.

8 See Canada's largest blue whale skeleton at the Beaty Biodiversity Museum (page 58).

9 Immerse yourself in paintings, drawings and sculpture at the Vancouver Art Gallery (page 29), a beautiful neoclassical building designed by Francis Rattenbury and renovated by Arthur Erickson.

10 Sample local delicacies such as sushi (page 70) and seafood (page 74).

11 Shop for all the latest spring fashions at Pacific Centre (page 17), Oakridge Centre (page 17), McArthurGlen (page 17) and Tsawwassen Mills (page 18).

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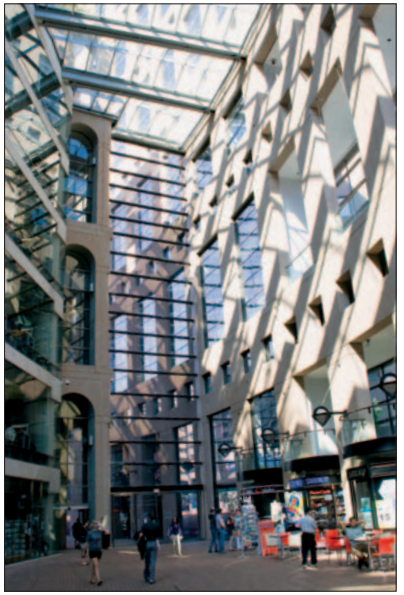

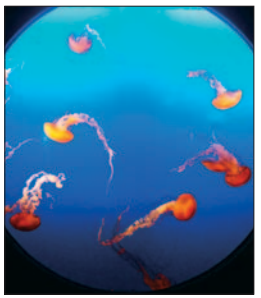

(Clockwise from top L) Exhibits at the Museum of Anthropology. The Vancouver Public Library's magnificent atrium. The neoclassical Vancouver Art Gallery. Jellyfish at the Vancouver Aquarium

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12 Soar high above the country (virtually, at least) with FlyOver Canada (page 56).

13 Say hello to the finches, cockatoos, partridges, parakeets, canaries, doves, Chinese pheasants, dwarf macaws and African parrots in the Bloedel Conservatory (page 59)—and don't be surprised if one says hello right back.

14 See magnificent examples of First Nations art at Bill Reid Gallery (page 29) and the Museum of Anthropology at UBC (page 29).

15 Glide around the ice like a world champion at the Richmond Olympic Oval (page 57).

16 Pretend you're Chris Hadfield or Neil Armstrong while exploring the cosmos at the H.R. MacMillan Space Centre (page 57).

17 Learn about Rick Hansen, Terry Fox and other local icons at the BC Sports Hall of Fame (page 58).

18 See local history come to life at the Burnaby Village Museum (page 58), Museum of Vancouver (page 58) and Vancouver Maritime Museum (page 59).

19 Make a splash in the wave pool and on the waterslides at Watermania (page 59).

20 Sing along to Eric Church (Mar. 14), Red Hot Chili Peppers (Mar. 18), Ariana Grande (Mar. 24), Chris Stapleton (Mar. 27), John Mayer (Apr. 19), The Weeknd (Apr. 25) and Lionel Richie with Mariah Carey (Apr. 27), all raising the roof at Rogers Arena (see concert listings starting on page 51). W