



EVENTS

## fun family things to do in metro vancouver in april

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Hooray for April! For it brings tulips, cherry blossoms, and fun, family-friendly festivals to celebrate these

beautiful blooms. There are tons of awesome events happening all over Metro Vancouver this month. You and your family can party with Bobs and LoLo, celebrate the Earth, and even plant a tree. There are carnivals, plays, interesting exhibits, and parades too. Take a look at our roundup and start planning some memorable family fun. If you like learning about great family-friendly activities happening in Metro Vancouver, make sure you [sign up to receive our weekly emails](#).

### Festivals & Celebrations

#### Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival

March 12th – April 7th, Garry Point Park, 12011 7th Avenue, Richmond

The 2nd annual Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival celebrates the arrival of Spring and blooming of the cherry blossoms. In Japan, cherry blossoms are known as sakura, which are a special flower to the people and the country. The cherry blossom signifies a time of renewal and the cycle of life. Two weeks after the peak of the cherry blossom's bloom, the pedals begin to fall. The cherry blossom celebration includes picnics under the cherry trees with food and drinks, shared with friends and family—this is a tradition known as hanami which translates to “watching blossoms,” and can be traced back hundreds of years.

#### Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival

April 3rd – 29th, Various venues in Vancouver

Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival FREE events from April 3-29! 400 voices will fill up Christ Church Cathedral at Vancouver Sings One Song on April 3 and Cherry Jam Downtown free concert features exciting local talent at Burrard Skytrain Station on April 5. The family-friendly Sakura Days Japan Fair presented by JTB International & Silkway Travel on weekend April 14-15 excites audiences with Japanese arts and cultural crafts, food and performances at VanDusen Botanical Garden and The Big Picnic under Queen Elizabeth Park's iconic cherry blossoms presented by TD Bank Group on April 14. Sakura Night Gala presented by McMillan LLP is a memorable fundraiser featuring Vancouver's top local restaurants with an exquisite evening of Asian-fusion flavours at the Stanley Park Pavilion on April 22.



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