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## 13th Annual Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival

April 4, 2019 - April 27, 2019

Recurring daily

Admission: Mostly free events - only one ticketed event!

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The 13th annual Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival takes place from April 4 to 27, 2019 at various iconic locations across Vancouver.

**Thursday, April 4, 12pm -1:30pm** - Cherry Jam Downtown concert at Burrard SkyTrain Station - showcasing multicultural performances. - FREE

Thursday, April 11 to Saturday, April 13, dusk-10pm - Spring Lights Illumination at Stanley Park (near Japanese War Memorial) - evening illumination installation of vibrant projections. - FREE

**Saturday, April 13, 12pm - 3pm** - The Big Picnic at Queen Elizabeth Park (Cambie and 33rd Ave.) - Vancouver's largest spring picnic with community vendors and cultural performances! - FREE

Saturday, April 13 to Sunday, April 14, 10am-5pm, 10am-5pm - Sakura Days Japan Fair sponsored by JTB International and Silkway Travel at VanDusen Botanical Garden - Celebrates the modern and traditional Japanese cultural arts with vendors and performances. - TICKETS AVAILABLE MID-MARCH

**Sunday, May 5, 6:30pm -9:30pm** - Sakura Night at Stanley Park Pavilion - A celebration of culture and cuisine. An evening fundraiser for VCBF featuring top chefs in Vancouver! - TICKETED

**Saturday, April 27, 11am - 1pm** - Bike the Blossoms in partnership with Velopalooza at John Hendry Park (Trout Lake) - Cycling under tunnels of cherry blossoms! - FREE

Saturday, April 27, 12:30pm - 2:30pm - THE BIG SING Metro Vancouver at the Vancouver Art Gallery North Plaza šx????n?q Xwtl'e7énk Square - Add your voice to our choral event conducted by Kathryn Nicholson. Features our original song, *Cherry Blossoms For You & Me.* - FREE, Registration required

April 1-27 – Tree Talks & Walks 8 guided, interpretive walks exploring various Vancouver neighbourhoods and green spaces including: UBC, Queen Elizabeth Park, Oakridge/South Cambie/Riley Park, Hastings-Sunrise, Stanley Park, Oppenheimer Park, Downtown West End, Coal Harbour, and VanDusen Botanical Garden. No registration required! –FREE

#### Ongoing Programs

March 1 – June 1 Haiku Invitational (online) presented by Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd. An online international literary contest in six winning categories: Best Vancouver, BC, Canada, US, International and Youth. Poems are evaluated by our panel of prestigious judges and results are shared in September.

**April 4-27 – BC Blossom Photo Watch (online)**, this photo contest inspires Vancouverites to capture the fleeting beauty of cherry blossoms and all the fun memorable moments!

