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**31<sup>st</sup> annual Canada Day at Canada Place features food, fireworks and family fun**  
*Entertainment and activities announced for largest Canada Day celebration in Western Canada*

**Vancouver, B.C.:** Vancouver's waterfront will once again be the place to celebrate the nation's birthday this July 1<sup>st</sup> as Canada Place today announced its lineup of entertainment and activities for the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Canada Day at Canada Place, the largest Canada Day celebration outside the nation's capital.

With Vancouver's majestic North Shore Mountains as its backdrop, the stunning waterfront venue will include the indoor and outdoor spaces at Canada Place, Jack Poole Plaza and surrounding city streets.

Canada's 151<sup>st</sup> birthday party will feature a full day of great food, festivities, family fun and fireworks that will celebrate our nation's values, accomplishments and diversity. Getting things under way at 10:00 a.m. is the traditional Citizenship Ceremony that will welcome 60 new Canadians to our multicultural family. At 11:00 a.m., all zones and exhibits, including the Main Stage, will open with great entertainment and activities for guests of all ages. Event highlights will include:

- **Daytime event performances:** Featuring terrific musical acts and dance performances that reflect the talent and diversity of Canada itself, like Kutapira, Early Spirit, En Karma, Wild Moccasin Dancers, and many more.
- **Main Stage headliner JoJo Mason:** A rising star with several top 10s on the Billboard Canada Country chart, JoJo is passionately country with no fear of a deep groove, fresh lyric, or original melody. His music is about having fun, appreciating life and sharing stories.
- **Coast Capital Savings Youth Zone:** Located on the North Point of Canada Place, this zone will feature a lineup of fantastic music from artists including Weaves, Casinos, Leisure Club, JP Maurice, Tourist Company, and Sister Says. It will also include fun activities, airbrush tattoos and more.
- **Canadian Forces Zone (Hall B):** Incredible displays and interactive exhibits that honour Canada's Army, Navy, and Air Force. This Zone will include search and rescue displays, a CF-18 cockpit, tactical armoured patrol vehicle, firefighting tent, Canadian Ranger display and a climbing wall.
- **Innovation Zone:** The Innovation Zone provides a peek into the future through displays, exhibits, and inspirational talks from some of the most interesting and forward-thinking organizations around.
- **Canada On Screen:** Inspiring videos from the National Film Board of Canada.
- **Picnic Plaza:** Picnic tables and family-friendly activities.
- **Food trucks:** Experience the great multi-cultural tastes of Canada.
- **Fireworks:** Vancouver's only two-barge simultaneous pyrotechnic extravaganza, viewable from Vancouver's waterfront and the North Shore, with tickets (and best viewing) available at the family-friendly Fireworks Viewing Zone.

"Canada Day at Canada Place is a chance for all of us to come together to celebrate everything that makes our nation such a special place to call home," says Gillian Behnke, community relations and communications manager at the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.

"This year's lineup offers something for everyone in a family-friendly atmosphere that's entertaining and fun."

All zones and activities will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at which time country music star headliner JoJo Mason will hit the Main Stage until 6:00 p.m. A great variety of food trucks will be onsite for Canada Day at Canada Place and they'll remain open until 10:30 p.m. to feed spectators getting ready for the start of the popular Canada Day Fireworks Show that runs from 10:30 p.m. to 10:50 p.m.

### **Getting here:**

The entrance to Canada Day at Canada Place is at the intersection of Burrard Street and Canada Place. As vehicle access will be limited due to road closures, the public is encouraged to take public transit to nearby Burrard Station via SkyTrain, or to Waterfront Station via SeaBus and TransLink buses. The area around Burrard and Hastings streets is recommended as a drop-off area for guests arriving by vehicle.

### **Volunteers:**

Additional volunteers are welcomed for Canada Day at Canada Place. It's a great way to build experience, get involved in your community, meet new people and show your Canadian pride. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old, enjoy working with the public and be able to commit to a minimum of eight hours of volunteer work. Volunteer positions are needed for the following areas: Information kiosks, site maintenance, line monitors/ushers, stagehands and runners, talent/volunteer assistants, Citizenship Ceremony assistants, and greeters. If you are interested in volunteering for Canada Day at Canada Place, please [register here](#).

### **Sponsors:**

The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Canada Day at Canada Place event is presented by Port of Vancouver and made possible thanks to the generous support of partners including: The Department of Canadian Heritage and the Government of Canada; the Canadian Forces; Air North, Yukon's Airline; Coast Capital Savings; Safeway; the Vancouver Convention Centre; City of Vancouver; WestPark; District of West Vancouver; Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association; and Seaspam. Media partners include Global BC, The Vancouver Sun, The Province, CFOX, Global News Radio 980 CKNW, Rock 101, OMNI Television and CHMB AM1320.

More information is available at <https://www.canadaplace.ca/events/canada-day/>

### **About Canada Place:**

Canada Place at the Port of Vancouver is an internationally-recognized landmark and venue for world-class events and inspirationally Canadian experiences. For the last 30 years Canada Place has served as a hub for large annual celebrations, including Canada Day at Canada Place and Christmas at Canada Place. Canada Place is also homeport to the Vancouver-Alaska cruises, and houses Vancouver Convention Centre East, Pan Pacific Hotel, FlyOver Canada, World Trade Centre and WestPark. The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority manages the Port of Vancouver and is the owner and operator of Canada Place.

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