



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

No matter what the season, we love to celebrate and hold events in Vernon. There's always something happening here. The calendar is updated on a regular basis so pick a season, pick an event, and enjoy!

For more events, visit the [Vernon Morning Star's Community Calendar](#) or the [City of Vernon's Event Calendar](#).

Thursday, July 22, 2021

Vernon Farmer's Market - Outdoor Market

Date and Time: Thursday, July 22 08:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join us every Monday and Thursday in the Kal Tire Place back parking lot from 8am-1pm until Oct 28th! Seasonally fresh, local fruit and vegetables, fresh-baked goods, honey, eggs, cheese meats liquor, plants and flowers plus craft and artisan vendors.

Learn More: <https://www.vernonfarmersmarket.ca/>

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Kalamalka Indigenous Garden Tour @Okanagan College - Vernon Campus

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The tour of Kalamalka Garden will allow visitors to learn a brief history of Syilx (pronounced: see-eel), who are the Indigenous people of the Okanagan - and the Captikwl (pronounced: chap-teek-cool) which are the stories, laws and cultural values of the Syilx people, which have been passed down from generation to generation by oral tradition. Through these ancient stories, the Syilx have preserved their worldwide view and relationship with nature. Here at the Kalamalka Garden, guests will get to experience first hand the beauty and importance of both the Indigenous plant life and the traditional Indigenous knowledge that has existed for thousands of years, and still exists today.

Guests will have the opportunity to learn to identify traditional plants, understand how these plants were used for medicinal and food purposes, and see demonstrations of how to harvest and use the plants.

The tour presenter will provide short workshop on an Indigenous garden product and how it is grown, harvested and made into a gift. The workshop will explore the elements of traditional foods and medicines, history of the Okanagan area, Indigenous gardening techniques, and samples of foods from the garden.

RATES:

\$30.00 – Adults

\$5.00 – Children under 16 years old

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

Garden Gift

All proceeds from the Garden Tours are used for operations.

To book a tour visit their [website](#).

Live Music @ Farmstrong Cider Company

Date and Time: Thursday, July 22 05:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Live music every Thursday Night in June, July & August.

Drop by on Thirsty Thursdays, grab a bite to eat, a cold cider and enjoy some live music. No cover charge, but there will be a donation jar for the Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail from Armstrong to Sicamous.

2021 Thirsty Thursday Live Music Schedule:

June 3 - Ryley Booth

June 10 - Steve Smith

June 17 - Maggie Davis

June 24 - Jared Wayne

July 1 - Ryley Booth

July 8 - Steve Smith

July 15 - Maggie Davis

July 22 - Jared Wayne

July 29 - TBA

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Join our tour guides as they explore the lives and times of the individuals whose faces grace our city walls. Share in some of the

stories of the people that helped create the vibrant, multicultural city that Vernon is today.

Join knowledgeable and entertaining guides and storytellers, Larry Lundgren and Greg Poirier, to find out some of the stories, history – and mysteries! – behind the art.

- Tuesday evening tours must be pre-booked
- Friday morning tours pre-booking is recommended but drop-ins are permitted if space allows

Register [here](#)

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North Okanagan Heritage Field Trips w/ Greater Vernon Museum & Archives

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Field trips for adults and families to Greater Vernon Museum & Archives Satellite Museums and Partner Heritage Sites! Find out more about these intriguing sites in the North Okanagan and learn the stories of the people behind the places.

Each tour is limited to 8 participants, and follows all BC health protocols. For a full list of dates and to register, please visit www.vernonmuseum.ca.

Please Register at least 24 Hours in Advance!

June 25th - BISHOP WILD BIRD SANCTUARY

July 2nd - [ALLAN BROOKS NATURE CENTRE](#)

July 9th - [THE COLDSTREAM RANCH BATTLE DRILL SCHOOL EXHIBIT](#)

July 16th- [MACKIE LAKE HOUSE](#)

July 23rd - [K'NMAŁKA? SƏNQĀLTƏN GARDEN](#)

July 30th - [O'KEEFE RANCH](#)

August 6th - [FINTRY ESTATE & MANOR](#)

August 13th - [SILVER STAR MOUNTAIN MUSEUM](#)

August 20th - [OKANAGAN LANDING STATIONHOUSE MUSEUM](#)

August 27th - [CAETANI CULTURAL CENTRE](#)

Okanagan Landing Stationhouse Museum @ Paddlewheel Park

Date and Time: Friday, July 23 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Travel back in time to when sternwheelers plied the waters of Okanagan Lake with the Okanagan Landing Stationhouse Museum!

This satellite of the Greater Vernon Museum and Archives celebrates the history of the area, and houses an amazing 21'x4' scale model depicting the Okanagan Landing in 1914, when sternwheelers provided the only transportation from Vernon to Penticton.

The museum at Paddlewheel Park is open for the summer Fridays to Sundays from 11 am to 3 pm. Admission is by donation. For off season or out-of-hours guided group tours, please call 250-542-2500.

The Stationhouse Museum is operated by the [Okanagan Landing & District Community Association](#), a registered charity.

Kids Bowl Free All Summer @ Lincoln Lanes Bowling

Date and Time: Friday, July 23 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

At Lincoln Lanes Bowling kids can receive a coupon valid for 2 FREE games of bowling every day all summer long! Summer bowling is the perfect opportunity to practice for next seasons leagues or just enjoy the sport! All you have to do is register with Kids Bowl Free.

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Ages 2 - 18

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The Polson Artisan Night Market will be operating in Polson Park, Vernon BC. We're hoping to create a fun Friday night for Vernon Residents to come out and enjoy the park while being safe and observing BC Covid guidelines.

Roughly 50 vendors will be featured weekly from the surrounding area, and we're happy to help coach folks looking to start their own market businesses to help promote the local artisan community here in the North Okanagan.

We're hoping to promote a mix of skilled producers, makers, and growers each week.

(Some parking is available in Polson Park, otherwise street parking is free in Vernon in the evenings)

Music at Mackie - Kailee McGuire

Date and Time: Friday, July 23 05:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Kailee's music is a little bit of folk, country, blues, her own twist on the classic rock tunes she grew up listening to, and her own original songs. As a young girl Kailee had much success in local music competitions and performing at local coffee shops. Kailee now performs all over the valley. This one will sell out quickly so get your tickets at <https://www.ticketseller.ca/season-tickets/mackie-lake-house>.

This year we are offering our music series as a package! Cost for tickets are \$40/performance and if you purchase the series ticket package for all 6 performances the cost is \$240 per person and includes 6 free drink tickets (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks will be available). Each package will contain separate tickets so you can share them if you are unable to attend. Our liquor license does not allow for people to bring their own alcoholic beverages, but you are welcome to bring a picnic supper to enjoy! Please bring your own chairs to sit out on our beautiful lawns overlooking Kalamalka Lake. All monies earned at our events go directly back into supporting our beautiful Heritage house and grounds.