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# Get The **BEAT**

MAY-JUNE 2024

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**CONCERT IN THE PARK**

- **THURS JUNE 20th**
- **6:00-9:00 pm**

**IN BEACON HILL PARK**  
**LIVE MUSIC!**  
**Food & Refreshments Provided!**

### JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CONCERT IN THE PARK AT CAMERON BANDSHELL!

FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY FRIENDS OF MUSIC BANDS

#### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS:

We will need volunteer support for the Concert in the Park, with the following tasks:

- Transporting food and equipment to the venue / Picking up coffee
- Loading and unloading equipment
- Set up and cleanup

If you want to join our volunteer crew, please contact us at [info@friendsmusic.ca](mailto:info@friendsmusic.ca)

#### 2023 AGM RECAP

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 we convened at Eric Martin Pavilion Theatre, to vote in our new board of directors. If you didn't pick up a copy of our 2023 Annual Report at the AGM, it will be available to view the PDF on our website: <https://friendsofmusic.ca/about-us/>

#### SUMMER PROGRAMS

Our regular programs will continue until June 19<sup>th</sup>, then we'll switch to our summer program offerings in July. This is an opportunity to try something new! Look for the full July schedule, to be posted in the next few weeks. We'll make the announcement on Social media, on the summer programs page of our website and posters throughout the EMP Theatre. Popular offerings from last year, may be repeated. <https://friendsofmusic.ca/summer-programs/>



**CONGRATS TO OUR 2023 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!**

We are happy to offer our congratulations to Jeff East, our Volunteer of the Year for 2023! There's a lot to be said about Jeff. He's one of our long-time members, who you'll find jazzing it up with his saxophone in Jazz Improv and Skills band, adding flair to our concerts and rehearsals.

Jeff's contributions extend far beyond the stage. He's the guy with the truck, our unsung hero, who tirelessly shuttles our sound equipment to our main events, like Concert in the Park, the Victoria Marathon, our annual Christmas Dinner and Lights of Wonder. Jeff is always there, offering to do the heavy lifting, loading and unloading the equipment. He is the epitome of reliability, and his steadfast support has made many of these concerts possible. We could not have done it without him.

His support of FOM doesn't stop at transportation. Jeff is ready to lend a hand without ever needing to be asked. We've seen him proactively looking for ways he can help at our rehearsals, setting up equipment, ensuring everything is in order for groups to start, and looking out for fellow members in need. His thoughtfulness knows no bounds. What's more? He's a jack of all trades, offering his expertise in equipment repairs and even beautifully restoring a donated djembe drum, by re-heading and installing ropes. There seems to be nothing he can't do!

As we reflect on the incredible year that was 2023, we want to take this moment to extend our deepest thanks to Jeff for his extraordinary contributions to Friends of Music. Jeff, your unwavering dedication and generosity have touched us all, and we are immensely grateful for everything you do.

Let's give a round of applause to Jeff East, our Volunteer of the Year!



# FRIENDS OF MUSIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MAY 2024

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
28	29	30	1 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Jazz Improv 1 - 3	2 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Fundamentals 1-3pm Community Concert Jazz Improv 6:30-7:15pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	3 Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30	4
5 Recovery Rock Band 2-4 pm Guitar 4:00-5:30pm OPEN MIC 6-8 pm	6 Finance MTG 6:00pm BOARD MTG 6:30pm	7 Drum & Percussion Class 1-3pm Learn Ukulele 4-5 pm UKULELIANS 5:00-6:30pm Moodswing Chorus 7-9 pm	8 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Jazz Improv 1 - 3	9 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Fundamentals 1-3pm Community Concert Chorus 6:30-7:15pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	10 Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30	11
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29

SUMMER PROGRAMS START IN JULY 2024! STAY TUNED - PROGRAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE JULY-AUGUST ISSUE OF GET THE BEAT NEWSLETTER



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