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Get The BEAT

MAY-JUNE 2025

THE VICTORIA DAY PARADE!

MONDAY MAY 19th, 2025

Featuring Minds & Work R&B Band

Time to get excited folks! The Victoria Day Parade will be hitting the streets on May 19th, and we're pleased to announce we've partnered with Wilson's Transportation Ltd. Victoria to participate in the event. Our featured band, Minds At Work, will be rolling in style, performing on the upper level of a red double decker bus! Woohooo!

JOIN US ON THE BUS! The double decker bus will depart early morning from Lee St. at Eric Martin Pavilion. Exact time and details will be emailed to participants closer to the event date. If you're not in the band, we're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to wave and cheer. We promise it's a thrill!

Calling All Trumpet & Saxophone Players!

We need additional volunteer trumpet and saxophone players to help balance out the band. If you're a skilled player, get in touch with us. As our Executive Director has said, there's nothing more exhilarating than performing for an estimated 80,000 people!

FOM NEWS & UPDATES

REMINISCING ON 35 YEARS OF MAKING MUSIC

On September 6th, 2024, we marked our 35th year as a Society. At this year's Annual General Meeting, we honoured two of our members who have been here since the beginning; Ken Beattie and Bruce Atkinson. We thank them both for their support of our organization and the contributions they've made over many years. Way to go!



STAY TUNED FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS

Starting in July 2025!

Our regular programs will continue until June 18th, then we'll switch to our unique summer program offerings for the month of July. This is an opportunity to meet new people while trying something new! Full details coming soon. Popular offerings from last year, may be repeated. Have your say, by submitting your program ideas in our suggestion box. Let's make this the best summer ever!

<https://friendsofmusic.ca/summer-programs/>

CONCERT IN THE PARK - JUNE 19th 2025

6:00-9:00pm - Beacon Hill park

We host this annual event at Cameron Bandshell, in the beautiful Beacon Hill Park. This is one of our biggest Special Events, featuring 4-5 of our performance groups. There will be food, cake, and refreshments to enjoy. Bring your friends and family to enjoy a free concert and to support our talented musicians. **Call For Volunteers:** We will need volunteer support for the Concert in the Park. If you can help, please contact us at info@friendsofmusic.ca

FRIENDS OF MUSIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Fundamentals 1-3pm Community concert Haywires 6:30-7:15pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	2 Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30	3
4 Guitar 4:00-5:30pm OPEN MIC 6-8 pm	5 Finance MTG 6:30pm BOARD MTG 7:00pm	6 Drum & Percussion Class 1-3pm Learn Ukulele 4-5 pm UKULELIANS 5:00-6:30pm Moodswing Chorus 7-9 pm	7 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Jazz Combo 1 - 3 Recovery Rock Band 5-7pm	8 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Fundamentals 1-3pm Community concert Orchestra 6:30-7:15pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	9 Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30	10
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29	30	OUR REGULAR PROGRAMS WILL TAKE A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER AND RESUME IN SEPTEMBER. YOU CAN ENJOY OUR SUMMER PROGRAMS WITH UNIQUE MUSICAL OFFERINGS THROUGH THE MONTH OF JULY! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!				

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