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TOMORROW'S SURREY, TODAY'S GINGERBREAD!

By Saije Rusimovici

Participate in this year's Gingerbread Village and design a gingerbread creation that reflects what the City of Surrey will look like in the future.

What will Downtown Surrey look like in 10 years? 50 years? 100 years? This year's theme is inspired by the growing developmental changes in our neighbourhoods. Downtown Surrey is becoming a hub for urban growth, and we want to know what you think our city will look like in the years to come. Think of the existing structures, buildings, and facilities in Surrey and think about the changes you would like to see. What would you add? How will things evolve?



This year's Gingerbread Village is the perfect place to show off your gingerbread-making skills, use your creativity, and engage in some friendly competition. All the proceeds from community votes will be donated to the Surrey Christmas Bureau, an organization that helps support over 2000 local families with groceries, stocking stuffers, and toys during the holiday season.

Participating in the Gingerbread Village is a great way to help raise money for charity while spreading holiday cheer with friends, family or your coworkers. It is completely free to enter. Our panel of judges will be awarding over \$10 000 worth of cash prizes to the groups with the best gingerbread creations.

Competition categories are as follows:

Open A: adults (19+ years)
Open B: teens (13-18 years)
Open C: children (3-12 years)

Participants are also able to enter as a school, charitable organization, community/services group, or post-secondary institution. For more details on how to enter and to check category eligibility, contact saije@downtownsurreybia.com.

Note:

Gingerbread creations must be brought to the display site at Central City Shopping Centre on Friday December 1st, 2023. Entries will be on display until December 10, 2023. The winning entries will be announced on social media, including the People's Choice Award.

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ADORA NAILS

By Saije Rusimovici

Nail artists bring colour into the world.

Looking for a new place to get a mani-pedi? Look no further. Adora Nails, recently opened in the heart of Downtown Surrey and has a 4.9-star rating on Google Reviews. Comments from patrons are super positive, emphasizing a welcoming, clean environment and friendly staff. Past clients have recommended nail technicians Emily and Linda. Several reviews say that staff goes above and beyond to make you feel comfortable during your appointment. In addition to being warm and approachable, the nail technicians are highly skilled, efficient, and pay close attention to detail. Not only are their services spectacular, but the salon is both elegant and modern.

Adora Nails offers a variety of services including acrylic nail extensions, shellac manicures, and deluxe pedicures. Choose from a selection of designs or come in with an idea of your own. Adora Nails knows how to showcase your personality through nail art. The salon also offers several different waxing services.

To book an appointment call 604-496-2887 or [book online](#). Be sure to check out their [Instagram](#) to see all their beautiful nail designs!

LOCATION: 10225 Whalley Blvd #102

HOURS: Mon-Sat 10:00a.m.-7:00pm, Sunday 11:00a.m. -6:00p.m.



MR. PRETZELS

By Saije Rusimovici

New sweet and savoury snacks to satisfy your cravings.

Stop by the new Mr. Pretzels kiosk at Central City Shopping Centre for the perfect mid-day pick me up! A well-established chain, the first Mr. Pretzel opened in 1994 and now has 300 locations worldwide. Experienced in the art of pretzel making, Mr. Pretzels always uses the freshest ingredients that taste great without compromising nutrition. Made with whole wheat flour, their pretzels are low in fat and contain no preservatives. The pretzels themselves are vegetarian and do not contain any GMO products.

This chain is well-known for both their sweet and savoury pretzel creations. From classic favourites to experimental flavours, Mr. Pretzels offers something to satisfy both sweet and salty cravings. Their hand-rolled dough is baked fresh throughout the day, so you can always be sure you're getting the freshest possible pretzel. Sweet lovers should be sure to try their Vanilla & Strawberry pretzel, reminiscent of strawberries and cream. For those who enjoy a savoury snack, try the Toscana pretzel, baked to perfection then dusted with a combination of scrumptious Italian spices. This savoury creation pairs perfectly with one of Mr. Pretzels signature dipping sauces, particularly the Marinara. In the mood for something a bit more filling? Pick up a warm, all-beef Pretzel Dog also available in bite-sized form.

Can't decide? Mr. Pretzels classic Sugar & Cinnamon coated pretzels are always a good way to go.

LOCATION: 10153 King George Blvd

HOURS: Mon-Wed, Sat 10:00a.m.-7:00p.m., Thurs-Fri 10:00a.m. -9:00p.m., Sunday 11:00a.m.-6:00p.m.



IMLY STREET EATS

Ustaad G

By Saije Rusimovici

Satisfy your every craving by ordering from a selection of Indian fusion eats from Imly Street Foods. Ustaad G has a chain of eight Indian restaurants across the Lower Mainland. They also offer a variety of catering services. These culinary experts have now opened a brand new spot right here in Downtown Surrey.

This new dining spot has become very popular on TikTok. Located right here in Surrey City Centre, Imly Street Eats celebrated their grand

opening at the beginning of September. Their large menu consists of authentic Indian cuisine but also offers a selection of fusion dishes guaranteed to get your mouth watering.

Choose from a selection of familiar favourites such as chickpea stuffed Golgappe and sticky-sweet Gulaab Jamun or try out something new like their Aloo Tikki Noodle Burger with Fries. Sample from their list of South Indian Specials which includes Idili Sambahar (fluffy steamed cakes served with vegetable stew) and Dahi

Vada (fried lentil fritters). Chinese Indi fusion dishes include Fried Rice Chili Chicken and Fried Rice Chili Paneer. In the mood for a quick snack? Choose from a selection of quick-eats and sides like Poha (spiced rice), Dabeli (masala, potato, sweet chutney), or Vada Pav (vegetarian deep-fried potato fritter sandwich). Add on a refreshing masala soda or chai to complete the perfect meal.

LOCATION: 10028 King George Blvd

HOURS: Delivery available through [SkipTheDishes](https://www.skipthedishes.com) Mon-Sun from 12:00p.m.-11:00p.m.



PURETONE HEARING CLINIC

By Saije Rusimovici

This locally owned hearing clinic has four locations across British Columbia, and one right here in the heart of Downtown Surrey. Providing the community with exceptional care for many years, Puretone Hearing Clinic is dedicated to ensuring patients are met promptly and appointments are effective. Ignoring hearing loss can result in other health issues like fatigue, depression and headaches. Puretone Hearing audiologists not only provide both hearing tests and hearing aids, but also work with you to figure out what the cause of the hearing loss is and the best course of action to treat it. There are different types of hearing aids that audiologists will consider depending on what you do in your day-to-day life, and depending on where you will be wearing your hearing aids (while exercising, watching television, having in-person conversations, etc.). Puretone Hearing knows just how

important missing the little things are. That's why they provide a comprehensive hearing evaluation to determine which parts of your life this has impacted and how to help in the best way possible.

The staff at this family-owned practice is committed to ensuring payment plans are flexible and the best pricing is available for their clients. Puretone Hearing Clinic offers a free consultation to anyone over 60 years of age. Seniors also receive \$500 off any pair of hearing aids.

**BOOK YOUR FREE
CONSULTATION NOW
BY CALLING
778-654-5629.**

**Don't wait! Call now
and start the treatment
process today.**

LOCATION

Inside Rexall Pharmacy,
13655 Fraser Hwy Unit 150

HOURS

Mon-Thurs 9:00a.m.-
5:00p.m.



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HALLOWEEN AT CENTRAL CITY SHOPPING CENTRE:

A Spooktacular Weeklong Celebration!

Get ready for a week of spine-tingling fun and ghoulish delights as Central City Shopping Centre prepares to host a Halloween celebration like no other.

Central City Shopping Centre is pulling out all the stops to ensure Halloween is a memorable experience for visitors of all ages. The weeklong event, running from October 25th to 31st is a fantastic opportunity for families, friends, and the entire community to come together and celebrate the spooky season.

On Tuesday, October 31st, the shopping centre will be the place to be from 3 PM to 5 PM. Trick-or-treaters of all ages are invited to join in the Halloween festivities. Stores throughout the shopping centre will have candy you can collect these delectable treats from 3 PM onwards.

Don't forget to visit the Pumpkin Head Selfie Station, positioned just opposite Starbucks. It's the ideal place to capture the spirit of Halloween in a fun and festive selfie. With pumpkin-themed props and decorations, you'll have the perfect backdrop for your Halloween snapshots.

Central City's spooktacular event is sure to be filled with laughter, candy, and community spirit. Don't miss out on the fun!



SPIRIT HALLOWEEN

By Saije Rusimovici

Get ready for the spookiest season by picking out your costume and decorations at Spirit Halloween! Open seasonally, this is the ideal place to pick up everything you need for a fun, frightening, and thrilling Halloween! From large outdoor displays to tabletop trinkets, this Halloween superstore has so many great decorations perfect for getting your home ready for a spooky party. With a selection of costumes for both adults and children, you'd be hard pressed not to find something you love. From masks to capes to full costumes from your favourite television shows and movies, this store has everything you will need to have the best Halloween ever. Spirit Halloween is guaranteed to provide excellent quality in all its costumes. Invest in their decorations and you will be using them for years to come!

Visit their website to get an idea of what they have in stock before going into the store. Their comprehensive categories allow you to shop by theme, from historic time period costumes to hilarious inflatable costumes. Spirit Halloween is the best place to get the hottest costumes based on the latest pop culture phenomena. Shop costumes from the hit Netflix series Wednesday, Oscar-nominated Barbie: The Movie, and the iconic Harry Potter. Not only do they have outfits for adults, but a wide variety of costumes for children and infants. Kids will get so excited to browse a selection of costumes inspired by their favourite movies like Encanto or Moana.

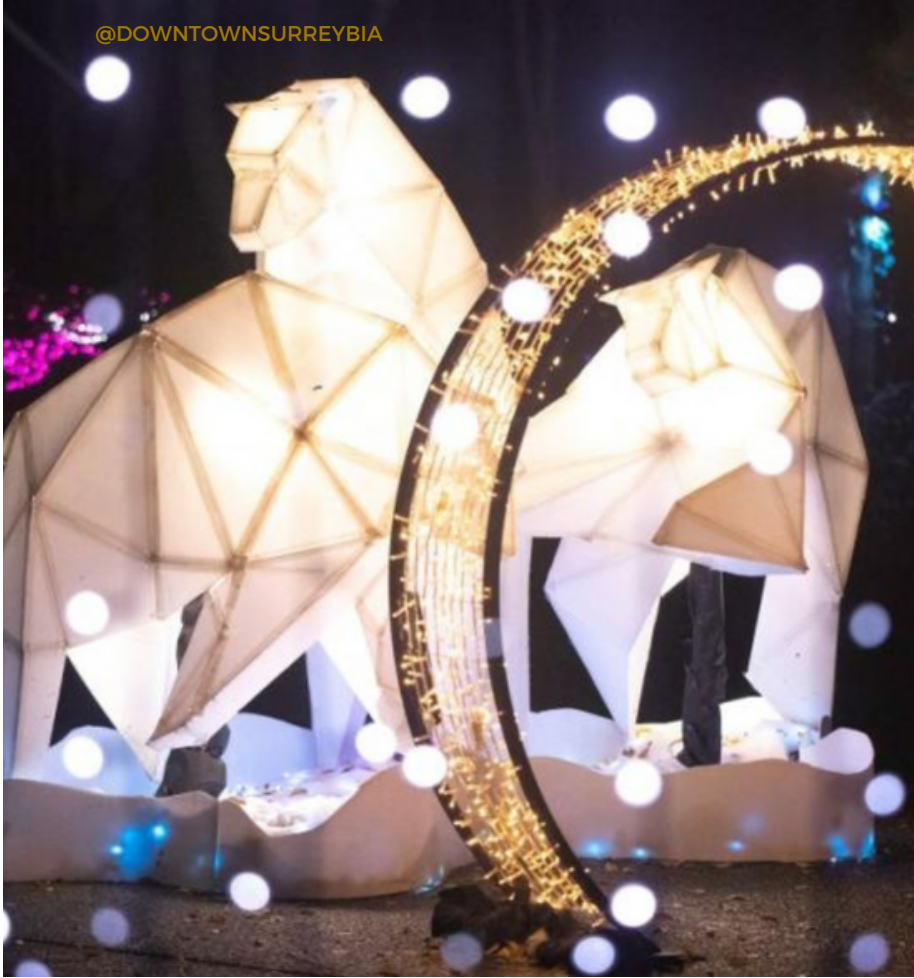
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LOCATION: 10025 King George Blvd

HOURS: Mon-Sat 10:00a.m.-

9:00p.m., Sun 11:00a.m.-7:00p.m.





BEAR CREEK LIGHTS:

A Dazzling Night Time Adventure Through Nature's Illuminated Wonderland

When the sun sets over Surrey, British Columbia, a magical transformation takes place at Bear Creek Park. The tranquil natural beauty of the park gives way to a captivating display of lights and enchantment, turning it into an illuminated wonderland like no other. Welcome to Bear Creek Lights, where you can embark on a mesmerizing journey through stunning light displays set along beautiful nature trails.

Picture yourself strolling along a 1-kilometer illuminated walking loop at your own pace, surrounded by the gentle glow of thousands of lights. This enchanting experience is best shared with friends and family as you weave your way through the mesmerizing displays. As you wander through Bear Creek Park after dark, keep your eyes peeled for signs of nocturnal creatures that come alive under the cover of night. From beavers to skunks, owls to bats, this family-friendly illuminated nighttime nature walk offers a unique opportunity to learn how these animals thrive in the dark.

Families are warmly welcomed at Bear Creek Lights, and all children must be accompanied by an adult. It's an outing that promises to create lasting memories for visitors of all ages.

Bear Creek Lights is not just an event; it's an enchanting adventure that brings nature and lights together in perfect harmony. Whether you're seeking a romantic evening, quality family time, or simply a serene escape into nature's illuminated wonderland, Bear Creek Lights promises an unforgettable experience. Make sure to plan your visit and be a part of this magical journey through the heart of Surrey's natural beauty.

TICKET INFORMATION

To ensure a seamless and enjoyable visit, please remember that all participants must have a **pre-booked** ticket. Free tickets for Bear Creek Lights will be available starting on **October 11, 2023**. Be sure to secure your spot and get ready for a night you won't soon forget.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mark your calendars for this extraordinary event, which runs from **November 3 to November 17, 2023**. Please note that the event is closed on Remembrance Day, November 11. It's the perfect opportunity to immerse yourself in the breathtaking beauty of Bear Creek Park after dark.

GIFTS OF THE COSMOS:

A Celestial Journey of Music, Imagery, and Inspiration

The universe has always held a special place in our collective imagination. Its vastness, mystery, and beauty have inspired generations to gaze at the night sky in wonder and curiosity. Now, in a one-of-a-kind event, Surrey SPARK Stages and the Surrey City Orchestra invite you to embark on a cosmic voyage that promises to ignite your imagination and deepen your appreciation for the wonders of the universe.

Prepare to be transported to the outer reaches of the galaxy as the Surrey City Orchestra, under the masterful baton of conductor Jaelem Bhate, performs selections from Holst's iconic suite, "The Planets." This live musical performance is more than just a concert; it's a celestial experience. The orchestra's sweeping melodies will take you on a journey through the cosmos, and you'll find yourself mesmerized by the powerful and emotive rendition of this timeless work.

As you immerse yourself in the music, your senses will be further captivated by stunning visual projections. These visuals showcase the latest celestial images captured by none other than NASA and the Canadian Space Agency. Witness the breathtaking beauty of distant galaxies, nebulae, and celestial bodies, all while the orchestra's music carries you deeper into the cosmos.

In a special and awe-inspiring moment, you'll hear from none other than Canadian astronaut Jenni Sidey-Gibbons. She will share her insights and excitement about space travel as she prepares for her flight with NASA. Her message will bring you closer to the real-life adventures of those who venture beyond our planet.

To make your cosmic journey complete, arrive early and explore the lobby before lift-off. There, you'll find a world of interplanetary fun and activities, setting the stage for an unforgettable evening.

"Gifts of the Cosmos" is a family-friendly event suitable for ages 7 and up. It's an opportunity for parents, children, and space enthusiasts of all ages to come together and celebrate the marvels of the universe.

Advisory: The event may include flashing lights, adding an extra dimension to the visual experience.

Ticket Pricing: Child tickets are available for \$16, and adult tickets are priced at \$21. For those planning to attend as a group, special 4-pack pricing is available by calling the Box Office.

Event Location: The cosmic journey unfolds at the Main Stage at Surrey Arts Centre, located at 13750 88 Avenue, Surrey BC.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

October

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Babytime Wednesdays 10:00 am - 10:30 am | City Centre Branch This program is for babies 0-1 and their caregiver. Join us for songs, stories, rhymes and bounces to help your baby develop speech and language skills. After a 30 minute storytime, there will be a social time for babies and their caregivers. 604.598.7427 or surreylibraries.ca.

Family Storytime Fridays 10:00 am - 10:30 am | City Centre Branch This program is for children of all ages and their caregivers. Join us for fun stories and songs for the whole family! Help imaginations grow and build a love of reading.

Mini Meat Draws and 50/50 Draws Every Saturday and Sunday tickets on sale at 5pm at Whalley Legion #102 - 10626 City Parkway, Surrey.

Live Bands at Whalley Legion 10626 City Parkway every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening.

Scream Train/Pumpkin Train Bear Creek forest has Halloween-themed train rides in October, starting with kid-focused daytime rides starting Oct. 1. Scream Train features actors in the forest during the night starting Oct. 13. Info: bctrains.com.

18th Climate Solutions 101 6-7:30pm Learn the latest science to understand what we can do to reverse climate change. City Centre Library, 10350 University Boulevard. Register by calling Surrey Libraries City Centre branch at 604.598.7426. Free.

24th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm.

30th Pumpkin Patch with the Forest Fairy ages 1-5 years Surrey Nature Centre - 14225 Green Timbers Way \$8.50 per child (includes one pumpkin) 604.502.6065.

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31st Halloween at Central City from 3-5pm.

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3rd Gifts of the Cosmos on Friday, Nov. 3 at Surrey Arts Centre's Main Stage, "join Surrey SPARK Stages and Surrey City Orchestra on an inspiring visual and sonic voyage. Journey to the outer reaches of the galaxy during a live performance of the epic music of The Planets by Gustav Holst, with projections of the latest celestial images from the Canadian Space Agency." Ages 7+. Info: tickets.surrey.ca, 604-501-5566.

5th Diwali Downtown Surrey festival at Surrey City Hall, from 2 to 5 p.m. Family art zone will feature a large rangoli and Diwali themed art pages." Visit www.diwalifest.ca for more information.

7th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm.

11th Remembrance Day Ceremony.

14th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm.

21st Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm.

25th Tree Lighting at Civic Plaza 12-8pm.

26th Tree Lighting at Civic Plaza 12-8pm.

28th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm.