## The New View TAKE A GOOD LOOK August 2024 Edition



### Movies Under The Stars By: Kit Billings

Movies Under the Stars is back at Holland Park, promising another year of lively community entertainment. Thanks to the support of presenting sponsor PCI Developments, this much-anticipated event has become a staple for families and friends looking to enjoy warm summer evenings together. Scheduled for August 3rd, 10th, and 17th, this year's event is packed with exciting activities and entertainment, ensuring memorable nights for attendees of all ages.

The festivities begin at 6pm each evening with a variety of pre-show activities and entertainment. There will also be plenty of fun community booths to check out, along with crafts. The North Surrey Lions will be selling hot dogs and beverages, with all proceeds going to local charities, so don't forget to bring your appetite! For a sweet treat after dinner, visit the Dipsy Doodle Candy Lady, who will be selling candy. Prior to the movie, there will be opportunities to fill out surveys for a chance to win prizes.

After the sun sets and dusk settles in, the movies will begin, typically around 8:45pm to 9pm. On August 3rd, the event kicks off with a high-energy Zumba class, getting everyone pumped up for the fun-filled evening ahead. Following Zumba, attendees can enjoy live music from the talented musician Graham Newberry. To add to the magic of the evening, Norden the Magician will captivate audiences with his family-friendly magic show. Finally, we will enjoy a screening of *The Bad Guys*, an animated comedy that promises laughter and excitement for the entire family.



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The fun continues on August 10th, starting with live music by Jessie Cavalier, whose performance will surely delight the crowd. Magician Rod Chow will then take the stage to amaze the audience with his delightful show. To get the last of our energy out before sitting down to enjoy the movie, we will have another session of Zumba. By participating in the pre-movie activities, guests can also compete for a golden ticket, redeemable for special rewards. As night falls, viewers will be transported into the whimsical world of *Wonka*.

On the final night, August 17th, we will start with an amazing Karate performance by Sun Hang Do, followed by an impressive show by Leigh Kathryn. A special visit from Barbie will delight younger attendees, and everyone is encouraged to wear their best pink outfit for a chance to win gift cards in our fun contest. Additionally, a "beach off" contest invites participants to don their best beach attire, with more gift cards up for grabs. Finally, the show will begin.

Remember to bring your blankets and chairs to be comfortable as you enjoy the evening. Movies Under the Stars at Holland Park is more than just a movie night; it's a celebration of community, entertainment, and the joy of coming together. Whether you're dancing, marveling at magic, or simply relaxing with a good movie, these events offer the perfect summer outing for families and friends. Mark your calendars, gather your loved ones, and prepare for three nights of fun, laughter, and cinematic adventure under the stars. We look forward to seeing you there!



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Surrey Muse

Surrey Muse Art Society started in 2011, initiated by four people of colour who wanted to excel in their art and to create supportive platforms for people to share their art in an inclusive and safe space. Today Surrey Muse Art Society, under the leadership of Fauzia Rafique, is an Interdisciplinary Art and Literature Presentation Group that hosts gatherings on the fourth Saturday of every month, except December, at the City Centre Library. Each event features a writer, poet, visual artist or musician who presents for 20 minutes followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussions, encouraging mutual learning, ranging from the impact of the work, artistic process, and origins of artist's work. Emerging writers, artists, and musicians also present for 10 minutes followed by discussion. A break provides valuable opportunities for networking, making vital connections with others and building community. The gathering ends with 25 minutes of Open Mic, an opportunity to practice at a mic in front of a live audience, presenting for 3-5 minutes. Surrey Muse gatherings are a key expression of their mandate to provide a welcoming inclusive space to elevate the voices of artists who may not have found opportunities to have their voices heard.

Another event available at the Surrey Library from Surrey Muse is Surrey Muse Writers, which is a workshop that consists of two parts, a seminar specialized on one particular subject and a feedback session where individuals can have the opportunity to bring in their own piece of writing and receive feedback. The next writing workshop will focus on the topic of Cultural Appropriation. Surrey Muse also provides services outside of the library. Surrey Muse At Large offers artistic presentations in non-traditional spaces like community gardens. Surrey Muse also offers their Art and Literature Awards, which recognize excellence and brings forth the diversity and scope of Canadian art and literature. These amazing resources and activities are made available thanks to a core group of hard-working volunteers at Surrey Muse Arts Society and funding provided by the City of Surrey, Vancouver Foundation, and Canada Council for the Arts. If you want to check out a very engaging grass roots arts scene in Surrey, Surrey Muse's next gathering is August 24th from 1-4pm in Room 418, at the Central City Library. Come on out and hear readings from Author Jonina Kirton, Poet Onjana Yawnghwe, Visiting Author Paolo Javier, Emerging Artist Tanmeet Kaur, and Emerging Writer Samantha Krilow, hosted by Damini Kane. Events are free, and donations are welcome.

Cynthia Sharp and Ashok Bhargava, 2023



Catherine Lewis, 2023

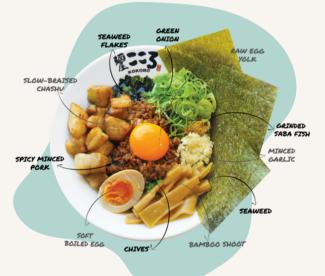


# **Explore The George** Kokoro Tokyo Mazesoba

Get excited for the new Kokoro Tokyo Mazesoba, coming to the Surrey Central area!

Mazesoba is a type of Japanese ramen with no broth. It has various ingredients, topped with a runny onsen egg that coats the noodles, making them thick and chewy. Mazesoba essentially means "to mix noodles," with of "maze" meaning "to mix", and "soba" meaning "noodles". This is why you'll see bowls of mazesoba arranged in a way that shows off all of its ingredients. You'll have fun mixing together your dish, and you'll be rewarded with a beautifully crafted fusion of umami flavour, making it an experience to remember!

Kokoro features various types of mazesoba in their menu, including various ingredients, meats, and a vegan option. They also serve donburi (a rice-bowl dish), and Japanese ramen. The exciting part of these dishes is that you can always add toppings such as sliced pork chasu, minced meat (pork & beef), soft-boiled eggs, bamboo shoots, seaweed, and tonkotsu soup on the side. Don't forget to check out their side dishes like chicken karaage, pork gyoza, and takoyaki, and specialty drinks like their popular Tokyo iced milk tea!

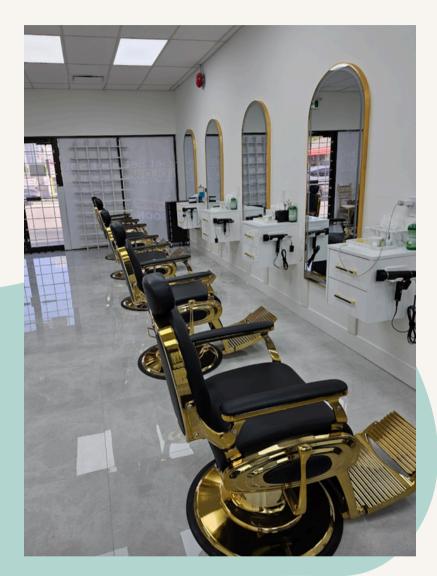


Kokoro was originally created in Tokyo, Japan, in 2013 by the Japanese Chef, Takuma Ishikawa. After gaining popularity in Japan, Kokoro spread to many cities, and eventually to other countries like Korea, the Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, and of course, Canada! Kokoro has many locations in the lower mainland of British Columbia, such as in Metrotown, Brentwood, UBC, Downtown, Lougheed, and Kitsilano to name a few. Now, they're building a location in Surrey at 10418 University Drive, directly north of Surrey City Hall and Civic Plaza. For the latest news on their opening date, be sure to follow them on social media (<u>@kokoro\_mazesoba</u> on Instagram) and stay connected!



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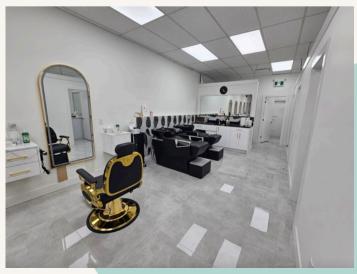
### Explore The George Get Set Glow Beauty Salon





Get Set Glow, located at 102 – 13655 104 Ave, Surrey, is your brand-new destination for all your grooming needs. This new salon specializes in professional waxing services and stylish men's haircuts. Get Set Glow understands that smooth skin can be a huge confidence booster, that is why their expert estheticians offer a full range of waxing services tailored to your needs. They use top-quality products and techniques to ensure minimal discomfort and maximum results. Get Set Glow also offers men's haircuts. Their barbers are ready to style you with the best cut for you. If you want an experience that will leave you feeling brand new be sure to visit, Get Set Glow Beauty today, open 7 days a week from 10am-7:30pm for your convenience.





# Explore The George WorkBC

<u>Work BC</u>, located on the main floor of the London Station property at 10362 King George Blvd, offers a variety of services to help job seekers and employers. They provide job search assistance, career counseling, and workshops to improve job readiness and skills. Their Resource Centre gives access to computers, the internet, job boards, and a library for career development. Specialized programs support youth, persons with disabilities, and newcomers with tailored services, including language training and cultural orientation. Financial support is available for training and work experience, with funding and wage subsidies for eligible clients. Work BC also helps employers with recruitment and training programs, contributing to a skilled and capable local workforce.

Helping thousands of people each year, Work BC is instrumental in navigating B.C.'s labor market. It supports job seekers in finding employment, exploring career options, and improving their skills, while assisting employers in finding the right talent to grow their businesses. This dual approach fosters economic growth and helps build a skilled and capable workforce, making Work BC an invaluable resource for the community.

In addition to in-person services, WorkBC.ca offers extensive online resources. The website connects job seekers and employers, providing the most comprehensive database of B.C. job postings, career tools, a blog with trends and job search tips, and an interactive map of WorkBC Employment Services Centres. Live chat support is also available. Inspirational success stories of British Columbians can be found through articles and videos on the site. Feedback is welcomed via phone, email, or online chat. Follow WorkBC on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), and LinkedIn for updates and additional resources.





Their office hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Thursday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am to 2:30 pm (closed on long weekends) Closed on statutory holidays.

### By: Thurga Muthukumar

# **August Events**

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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 every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening at Whalley Legion
- Family Fun Saturdays 2–4pm This program is for children of all ages and their caregivers. Join us for KEVA® Planks and board games for the whole family.
- City Centre Branch 10350 University Drive, Surrey, British Columbia V3T 4B8 Room: Storytime Corner Contact 604-598-7426
- 3rd Movies Under the Stars at Holland Park Entertainment starts at 6pm, movie starts at dusk "The Bad Guys"
- 3rd Surrey Urban Farmers Market from 1-am-3pm 104 Avenue and Old Yale Road
- 6th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm
- 7th LA Bingo Wednesdays at Whalley Legion from 1-3pm
- 7th Games Night at King George Hub at 6:30pm
- 8th Surrey Voices at King George Hub FREE
- 10th Movies Under the Stars at Holland Park Entertainment starts at 6pm, movie starts at dusk "Wonka"
- 13th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm
- 14th LA Bingo Wednesdays at Whalley Legion from 1-3pm
- 14th Sounds of Summer: BADMNY & Richard Tichelman from 6:30-8pm at Civic Plaza (behind City Hall)
- 15th Games Night at King George Hub at 6:30pm
- 17th Movies Under the Stars at Holland Park Entertainment starts at 6pm, movie starts at dusk "Barbie"
- 17th Surrey Urban Farmers Market from 1-am-3pm 104 Avenue and Old Yale Road
- 20th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm
- 21st LA Bingo Wednesdays at Whalley Legion from 1-3pm
- 24th Surrey Afro-Caribbean Cultural SummerFestnoon-19pm Surrey Civic Plaza
- 24th Summer Bhangra Jam 12-10pm at Holland Park Join the Summer Bhangra Jam hosted by Red FM!
- 25th Steps for SIDS Walkathon Join a walkathon to support SIDS research. 12-4pm Holland Park
- 25th Surrey Afro-Caribbean Cultural SummerFestnoon-8pm Surrey Civic Plaza
- 27th Karaoke at Whalley Legion 7-11pm
- 28th LA Bingo Wednesdays at Whalley Legion from 1-3pm
- 31st Surrey Urban Farmers Market from 1-am-3pm 104 Avenue and Old Yale Road

# **Placemaking Activities**

The Downtown Surrey BIA is very excited to announce an amazing lineup of free public events at King George Hub during the first two weeks of August. On Thursday, August 1st, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM, we had a super fun and high-energy outdoor Zumba class. We got a beautiful night for it and a wonderful turn out. If you missed this there is still more to come this month.

Two weeks later, on August 15th, we will be hosting a relaxing evening of painting wine glasses from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. This event offers a wonderful opportunity to express your creativity while enjoying a relaxing and social atmosphere.

Additionally, our popular game nights will continue on Wednesdays, specifically on August 7th and 14th, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. These evenings are ideal for friends and families to come together and enjoy a variety of entertaining board games.

Last but not least, you won't want to miss our "Summer Cool Down" event on August 2nd happening from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. During this event we will be handing out free popsicles, freezies, and cans of pop to individuals who answer our prompted question "what is your favorite summer memory?" There will also be summer themed music performed by our very own high school interns.



We look forward to seeing you at King George Hub for these engaging activities. Join us and make the most of your summer evenings with the Downtown Surrey BIA!

Be sure to follow our Eventbrite page to stay updated and secure your spot for these exciting events: <u>Downtown Surrey BIA Eventbrite</u>.



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### Neighbourhood Stamp Hunt

Our summer interns were thrilled to host the Grosvenor Greenspace Neighbourhood Stamp Hunt on July 11th. The event buzzed with activity as participants took on the hunt by exploring nearby businesses around the Greenspace such as Sprite Computers, Filipino Noodle Joint, New Pizza Express, Raunak Indian Cuisine, and Surrey Natural Foods. Visitors answered questions at each business to get their passports stamped, eager to collect all five stamps for the chance to win one of three gift cards to local restaurants.





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After the hunt, participants enjoyed a variety of lawn games such as cornhole, giant Connect Four, and had many competitive Jenga matches. Additionally, the warm summer evening offered the perfect chance for attendees to relax on the grass and listen to awesome classic rock tunes by Daven Atma and Graham Newberry, whose performance was so captivating that the audience chanted for an encore. This event was a perfect blend of music, games, and community spirit, making it a memorable evening for all.

#### By: Hannah Gill

### Meet the High School Interns

After receiving over 70 applications and conducting interviews with almost half of the applicants, we are thrilled to welcome four exceptionally talented and motivated high school students to join our team for the summer. These young individuals have stood out not only due to their impressive achievements but also because of their unique experiences and dedication to making a difference.

Meet Our Extraordinary Interns:

In all the years we have been hiring interns, we have never encountered a candidate quite like one of our new recruits. She requested time off for a remarkable reason—she had a meeting scheduled with the Prime Minister! This unprecedented request highlights the calibre of the students joining us this year.

A Background of Excellence and Leadership:

Each of these students brings a diverse background of performance, social justice, and leadership within their schools. Their involvement in various initiatives and projects showcases their commitment to excellence and their drive to make a positive impact in their communities.

We are very pleased to have Ravjot, Makeyla, Isabella and Asheton join us this summer and contribute their passion to our projects.



# Asheton Tablac

Asheton Tablac is a highschool performance intern and graphic design assistant at the DSBIA this year. He will be working with our Click On Surrey team and engaging with local businesses to develop new marketing strategies and create promotional graphics. Asheton attends Fleetwood Park Secondary and will be starting grade 11 this fall. He enjoys working in communications and engaging in activities that increase public awareness about a variety of topics. He most enjoys tackling sociopolitical issues, relationships, psychology and human health.

Asheton is also passionate about and well-versed in the theatrical arts and music. You can find him performing at our games nights at the City center plaza, our various Green Space activities, and at King George Hub. He is aiming to participate in ITF Indiana next year. Asheton's ability to engage audiences with his enthusiastic performance style is what sets him apart as a performance intern. The Downtown Surrey BIA team is excited to continue working with Asheton on



# Makeyla Truong

This year, the Downtown Surrey BIA happily welcomes another talented intern for the 2024 summer season: Makeyla Truong. Footing into her final year of highschool at Kwantlen Park Secondary, Makeyla is no stranger to success, leading social justice campaigns and community events, as well as lending her time to Surrey's students as a math tutor. As a part of this, she also enjoys painting decorations and banners. With her passion for advocacy and aide, Makeyla fits in perfectly as the 12th intern of the DSBIA's summer team. As a performance and placemaking intern, she can be found leading Tuesday's Board Game Nights at Civic Plaza and occasional art nights at King George Hub, as well as singing at events like our brand new Love in the Hub afternoons. Through this, she has found a love for Scrabble, and many friends in the families that come to Games Nights. She enjoys her position at the DSBIA, "because of the opportunities and how free [the] job is."

Makeyla's performance skills weren't originally rooted in singing, but rather dance. An up-and-coming street-style pro, she dances competitively on school teams and with studios like A3 District, participating in the popular Pulse and Breakout competitions amongst many others. However, post-secondary, her intended career path lies in Civil Engineering, which she hopes to pursue at BCIT. upcoming projects and events.

By: Ravjot Saraoa



By: Asheton Tablacn

## Isabella Wen



Izzy is currently entering grade 11 at RE Mountain Secondary. She is passionate about advocating for marginalized groups which relates to her dream career field, social work. Aside from all the new opportunities and people she gets to meet through being an intern here at Downtown Surrey BIA, she is excited to implement her learned experience back to her school's student council through volunteering and nurturing the community. As a Special Events intern, she provides amazing ideas and insights on projects related to bringing the community together. Some examples of work she has made a great impact on are the Grosvenor Green Space Project, researching Bike Safety, and making the all candidates meeting accessible. Although Izzy is extraordinary at working on projects, she also has a background in playing the piano and acting. She has been playing piano since the age of 4, and acting since the age of 12. To see her demonstrate her performing skills, come down to the King George Hub and the Surrey Central Mall.

### By: Makeyla Truong

## Ravjot Sarao

Ravjot recently graduated from L.A. Matheson Secondary School and is excited to study finance at Queen's University this fall. She is passionate about youth civic engagement advocacy, music production, robotics, and networking with community professionals. Ravjot has been active in her community, participating in various initiatives that promote youth involvement and leadership. She enjoys working with the DSBIA because of the unique learning opportunities it offers and the chance to make a tangible impact.

You can find her playing games and performing at our Central City games nights, compiling a comprehensive guide for local medical businesses, researching accessible all-candidates meetings, and exploring bike lanes around the world. Ravjot's dedication to her community and her enthusiasm for learning and growth make her an invaluable member of our team.



By: Isabella Wen

Past Intern Spotlight Jani Tsui

> This week I had the opportunity to meet with one of our previous interns, Jani Tsui. Jani worked at the BIA for three work-terms. Her first term was in the fall of 2012 where she was the public relations intern, she loved it so much she came back for two more terms in the summer and fall of 2014, still with a focus on public relations as well as some event planning.

Thanks to this opportunity she was able to try out a bunch of different roles which is what led her to realizing she wants to pursue events. For the past year Jani has been the Senior Manager of Marketing and Events at UBC. Jani accredits her time at the BIA as her first time in a leadership role that helped her learn and grow into the position, she is currently in. Throughout our conversation Jani repeatedly expressed her appreciation and gratefulness for the opportunity to learn and the allowance to make mistakes and grow.

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Jani encourages everyone who has the opportunity to do so to do co-op, saying again what an amazing experience it was and how happy she was to get this opportunity, mentioning that she is still close friends with five of the people she did her internship with 10 years ago. We want to congratulate Jani on all her accomplishments and wish her luck in all of her future endeavours.







# Past Intern Spotlight Tessa Angelis

During the summer of 2021, Tessa served as a marketing intern at the Downtown Surrey BIA, where she was one of two co-leads for the Click on Surrey team, consisting of around five members. In this role, she managed ad campaigns for over 15 clients, fostered client relations, oversaw project management, and contributed to videography, website, and social media content. Additionally, Tessa engaged in hands-on work, such as installing window decals for businesses and promoting vaccination by distributing stickers at a vaccine clinic.

One of Tessa's favorite memories from her time at the Downtown Surrey BIA was assisting business owners who were always appreciative of the help. Another highlight was the endof-semester presentation, where she had the opportunity to showcase her hard work and learn about the accomplishments of her peers. These experiences were valuable for her personal and professional growth.

Following her internship, Tessa realized her passion for a corporate environmental approach and aspired to work in government. She graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in marketing and earned a certificate in corporate environmental and social sustainability. After taking a year off to travel to destinations such as Indonesia, Europe, and Japan, Tessa accepted a position in communications and community outreach at BC Hydro. She felt a sense of coming full circle when she encountered the Downtown Surrey BIA at the Party for the Planet event as a BC Hydro employee.

The skills Tessa gained from her time at the Downtown Surrey BIA, including project management, marketing strategy, collaboration, and statistical analysis of ad campaigns, have been instrumental in her current role. Her advice to future interns at the DSBIA is to take on as many projects as possible and make the most of the diverse and open-minded work environment.



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