
♥🇨🇦 **2019 WVM-3: B-Line; Events (Music, Art, WVBook); QTN**

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Ah, the **Befuddled Line** -- As I said, been receiving mixed information. Need more facts and more verification. Will try to provide you with as much as possible without overloading you. I'm dreadfully overloaded. Events and Muse News follow B-Line.

As we return to the roller coaster, it's moved a bit forward, but it's still going around in circles. We know that the B-Line has been approved by both NVs (DNV and CNV), and construction will start this year. We're going to be shown alternatives and options wch had been considered in determining the single B-Line option we will be given the choice of accepting or rejecting it. Some say Marine Drive will become a two-lane road, and others that there will be no lane "closures". It appears that the dedicated bus lanes are not considered lane closures by some because cars will be permitted (to park or turn right). This perhaps semantic quibble is confusing b/c cars going through Dundarave or Ambleside will be restricted to one lane in each direction.

Alarm bells were ringing.

As a result of cmnty questions and concern (and feeling lack of information), DWV will have some "consultation" for the next couple of months. TransLink gave a presentation to DWV on Monday (7th) and said more data wd be given to WV Friday (11th) so we'd have the documentation and see the alternatives and options **evaluated** wch led to the design of the B-Line. Unfortunately, as you'll see in the material here, apparently we'll be shown why the B-Line was chosen and then can vote to accept or reject it.

Herewith have gathered information re the B-Line for you to review. At the bottom of this email

= Since told (former) Mayor Smith had agreed at the Mayors' Ccl mtg some months ago I wrote Thursday and asked.

Though vacationing in Hawaii, he graciously replied right away. His reply is **>1<**,

= After meeting with TransLink, DWV sent out a statement Jan 10 (with my bolding, **>2<**).

= The Ambleside & Dundarave Ratepayers Assn sent out information on the B-Line that includes details, questions and comments from mbrs, a timeline, and the NV B-Line proposal **>3<** It is planned to put this comprehensive overview and analysis (recommended reading!) on their website.

{I will send the URL when I get it. Maybe Ccl will have answered some of the queries }

= You can imagine the disappointment felt when eagerly going to the District website to read all about the B-Line including the presentation from TransLink. Unfortunately, there was a notice at 5:45pm saying TransLink had not sent the files and the District was waiting -- did put some excerpts **>4<**.

= STOP THE ROAD CLOSURES?

As referred to in an earlier WVM issue, and by ADRA, Nigel Malkin (an Ambleside businessman) has put up a website re the B-Line: www.stopheroadclosures.ca

On it there's a petition [SIGN OUR PETITION HERE](#) You can write to: stopheroadclosures@gmail.com. On Tuesday they did a passenger-count for the buses all day (stats on the website). I think it was Thursday, Nigel took a video of surveyors (from Ontario; hired by TransLink), measuring and painting (Marine & 14th) for the B-Line! More in the next B-Line Update.

☆ B-LINE

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from former Mayor Smith, Jan 11

The B-Line was basically a North Van City initiative to move all the increased density they approved to have better access to Park Royal and West Van parks and beaches. WV got really nothing from the multi-billion dollar Mayors' Transit Plan. I supported it because there is currently no direct bus from Dundarave/Ambleside to Lower Lonsdale and the SeaBus. It also was a benefit to our residents attending Capilano College, as the existing route goes through Lynn Valley and takes too long.

BUT,

there was no commitment to closing lanes along Marine Drive. I had suggested that left turns be eliminated, except where there was a dedicated pull-out, along Marine in the daytime. I believe that would keep all traffic

flowing through Ambleside and Dunderave including buses. No need for a dedicated bus lane. It is a real slap in the face to local business to suggest closing lanes along Marine. Pain for no gain to West Vancouver.

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UPDATE ON COUNCIL'S MEETING WITH TRANSLINK

[Jan 10] WV Council received more information from TransLink on Monday, January 7, and has determined to proceed with further public information sessions and consultation. Staff are confirming data now and **will be able to share the presentation, alternatives considered, and back-up information with the community on Friday, January 11.**

What form will the consultation take? The B-Line is a TransLink project that is being proposed for WV. The details of the project have been carefully considered. The District's engagement will provide comprehensive, detailed information on the project, including options that were considered and the reasons for the final option being presented. The District will present the proposed plan and all the options that have been considered, online, at public meetings and displays. Details of the consultation opportunities will follow.

When will Council discuss the B-Line at a Council meeting? The results of the consultation will be presented to Council in March for their consideration. The B-Line is not on the Council agenda for January 14, nor is it planned to be until the consultation is complete.

To subscribe to email updates on the B-Line from the District of West Vancouver, visit westvancouverite.ca



Excerpts from the newsletter:

... On January 10th, 2019, the District announced the intent to hold a public consultation event on **January 24th, 2019**. They indicate they will make available to the public B-Line information they say has "*already been carefully considered*". They also indicated that "*variation of the proposal will not be part of the consultation but overall support for or against will be*".

This means that there is NO PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY to amend or improve the B-Line proposal. Council will either accept or reject the proposal as is.

The next Council meeting is **MONDAY JANUARY 14th -- at 6PM** - While the B-Line is (remarkably) not on the agenda you may speak for up to 3 minutes during the public question period near the end of the meeting.

We also encourage you to email mayorandcouncil@westvancouver.ca or individual council members (contacts all listed on the ADRA and district websites). We recommend you ask that your name not be redacted and appreciate when you copy your messages to ADRA. ...

MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: https://gallery.mailchimp.com/4341359f8684b4a74e95a7f77/files/d57b61de-8c0e-4b02-bebd-9b919f9de538/ATTACHMENT_1_MEMBER_QUESTIONS_AND_COMMENTS.pdf

B-LINE TIMELINE AND DETAILS: https://gallery.mailchimp.com/4341359f8684b4a74e95a7f77/files/18465589-1bdb-4f88-aa49-8428bf73a177/ATTACHMENT_2_B_LINE_TIMELINE_AND_DETAILS.pdf

LINK TO NV B-LINE PROPOSAL: <https://www.dnv.org/news/update-translinks-marine-main-b-line-rapid-bus-service>

>4< B-Line Excerpts from: <https://www.westvancouverite.ca/b-line>

Update: 5:45pm Friday January 11

The District is still awaiting files from TransLink and will post them as soon as they become available. Thank you for your patience.

The Proposed B-Line Four new rapid-service B-Line routes will be coming to Metro Vancouver in 2019, as part of Phase One of the Mayors' Council 10-Year Vision. The Marine-Main B-Line (Dundarave to Phibbs Exchange) will connect the North Shore and will have four stops in West Vancouver: 24th Street, 21st Street, 14th Street, and Park Royal.

Discussion to date ... WV Council received more information from TransLink on Monday, Jan 7, and has determined to proceed with further public information sessions and consultation. Staff are confirming data now and will be able to share the presentation, the alternatives considered and back-up information with the community on Friday, January 11.

What form will the consultation take? ... and the reasons for the option being presented. ... After you've heard about the project details, Council would like to hear if you have any specific concerns related to the proposed B-Line project.

Next steps ... Dates, times and locations will be provided within the next week.

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☆ EVENTS

+ Saturday Jan 12

- 2pm



The Ferry Building Gallery

See More: <https://ferrybuildinggallery.com/>

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Surfaces!

Come tomorrow from 2 – 3pm to meet the artists featured in our current exhibition,

[Surfaces](#) | January 8 – 27 **Meet the Artists: Saturday**

- 2:30pm

Learn the story behind the traditional
Chinese Laba Festival

West Van Library Saturday 2:30 – 3:30pm

<https://westvanlibrary.ca/events/celebrate-chinese-laba-festival>

- 7:30pm

Vancouver Chamber Music Society at West Vancouver United Church

Stefan Jackiw, violin & Conrad Tao, piano vancouverchambermusic.com

+ Sunday Jan 13

- 3pm

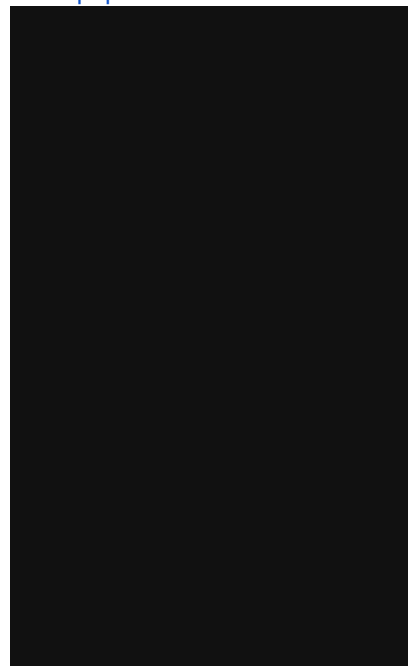
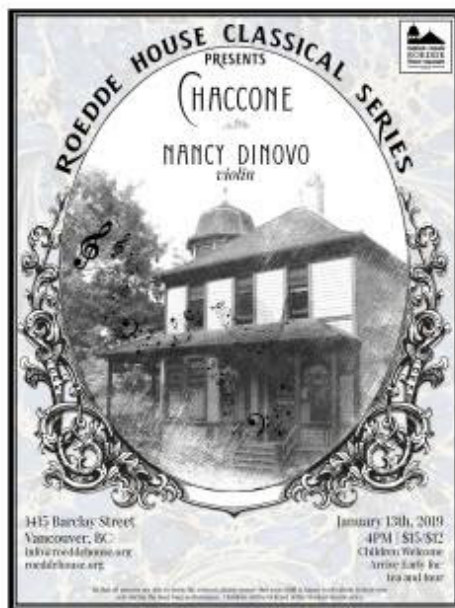
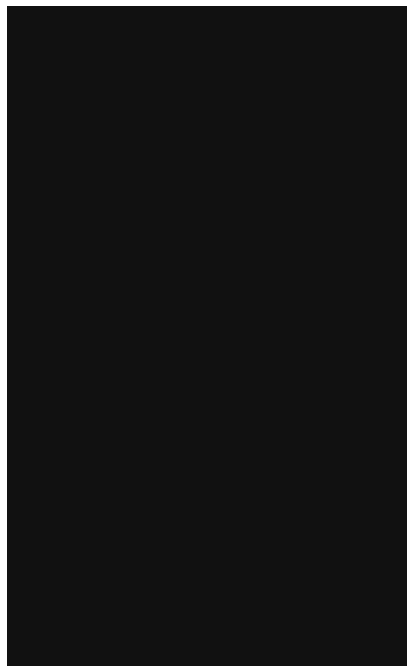


LEGION MYSTERY MEAT BINGO -- 3 - 5pm

- 4pm

Classical Concert Series at the Roedde House

<https://www.roeddehouse.org/website/index.php/en/>



On Sunday, January 13th, join us in the parlour for Chaconne with Nancy DiNovo, violin. Violinist Nancy DiNovo will perform a solo program entitled Chaconne on January 13th. The concert features two monumental works for solo violin written two centuries apart - the Bach D Minor Partita from 1723 and the Bartok Solo Sonata from 1944. These two works represent the pinnacle of violin writing and musical expression from their respective style periods and are expertly interpreted by the masterful DiNovo.

{Well, you know me; with two different spellings had to google: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chaconne>

A *chaconne* is a type of musical composition popular in the baroque era when it was much used as a vehicle for variation on a repeated short harmonic progression, often involving a fairly short repetitive bass-line (*ground bass*) which offered a compositional outline for variation, decoration, figuration and melodic invention.}

- 4:30pm

WEST VANCOUVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY at the SILK PURSE

Dreamers & Designers

When Sunday, January 13, 2019

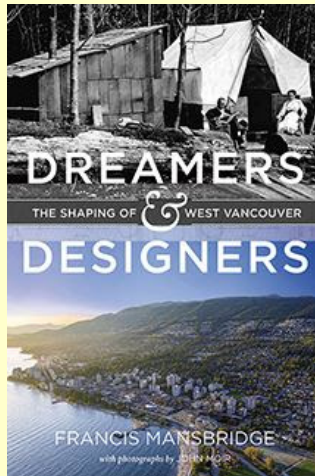
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Location Silk Purse Arts Centre

Registration

- Creative Voices RSVP
- Donations at the door are graciously accepted.

[Register for this event](#)



Join author [Francis Mansbridge](#) for a presentation on his new book "*Dreamers & Designers, the Shaping of West Vancouver*", published by the [West Vancouver Historical Society](#). Trace the history of West Van over 100 years to discover how it morphed from a tent city to one of Canada's most expensive cities. Learn from this writer & heritage buff how this fascinating project came to be. Presentation followed by Q & A, & a book signing.

Admission by donation.

<https://www.silkpurse.ca/>

☆ 5 Things to do on the North Shore this weekend

HEY NERD! BRAINIACS AND GEEKS ALIKE ARE INVITED TO CHILL OUT, LEAVE THE BINARY WORLD BEHIND AND TAKE A QUANTUM LEAP INTO NERD NITE NORTH VANCOUVER TONIGHT AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE EAGLES CLUB ON THIRD . . .



https://www.nsnews.com/community/5-things-to-do-on-the-north-shore-this-weekend-1.23593355?utm_source=North+Shore+News+Headline+News&utm_campaign=905a92fada-North_Shore_News_Headline6_26_2015_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ba3660ab09-905a92fada-95889661

Here's one of them:

He's received the Order of the British Empire from Queen Elizabeth II, and been referred to as the acoustic guitarist of his generation by Acoustic Guitar magazine. Now, [North Shore audiences can catch Martin Taylor](#), who Pat Metheny once referred to as "one of the most awesome solo guitar players in the history of the instrument", when he plays Capilano University's BlueShore Financial Centre for the Performing Arts tomorrow. His set will include his bold interpretations of the Great American Songbook, original compositions, and swing jazz standards courtesy of his long tenure with gypsy jazz luminary Stéphane Grappelli. [Tickets: \\$35-\\$38](#)

☆ QUOTATION ☆

A politician needs the ability to foretell what is going to happen tomorrow, next week, next month, and next year. And to have the ability afterwards to explain why it didn't happen.

-- Sir Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill, British politician, army officer, writer, UK Prime Minister 1940 - 45, 1951 - 55 (1875 - 1965)



Dear Readers:

*It's late and I'm tired. Not going to take the time to proofread this thus delaying sleep even more.
Pls forgive me for my mistakes -- and pls tell me what they are so they can be*

fixed. :-)

Your faithful scribe,

Carolanne