

18TH ANNUAL RICHMOND

AUGUST 21-22, 2021

MARITIME FESTIVAL

Re-imagined

RICHMOND MARITIME FESTIVAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PLAN

The Provincial Health Order on gatherings and events was updated on June 30, 2021 and allows for fairs and festivals to return to normal operations with a Communicable Disease Plan. Given ongoing and evolving conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Richmond Maritime Festival Working Group, made up of representatives from Britannia Shipyards National Historic Site Society, Richmond Arts Coalition, Anigraph Productions and the City of Richmond, have developed an event program that includes a blend of online and on-site programming that can be adapted should provincial health orders and/or protocols shift.

In order to ensure a safe event in alignment with the Provincial Health Orders and the City of Richmond's approach to restoration of services, the following measures will be in place for the Festival:

- Messaging prior to the event will remind visitors to stay home if they feel ill, wear a mask and practice physical distancing.
- On-site, additional signage will encourage visitors to go home if they are feeling ill, wear a mask and practice physical distancing.
- Masks will be required inside all buildings as per the current City Policy;
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available throughout the site. Visitors, staff and volunteers will be encouraged to sanitize frequently.
- Visitors are able to pre-register for specific time slots to visit the Seine Net Loft, docks and Britannia Shipyard building where the majority of programming will take place.
- Visitor flow through buildings will be one-way, and the number of patrons will be monitored to ensure that building capacity is not exceeded and safe physical distancing is maintained.
- Staff and volunteers will ensure occupancy limits in buildings are respected and encourage safe physical distancing.
- Where possible, windows and doors to buildings will remain open to encourage air circulation.
- High cleaning standards will be maintained throughout the Festival site.
- Procedures are in place to ensure that workers, including volunteers, with communicable disease symptoms are not on the Festival site.

Event organizers will continue to monitor information from the Public Health Officer, BC Centre for Disease Control, Worksafe BC and Vancouver Coastal Health for new guidance, notices or orders and be ready to implement accordingly.

