

Halloween Tricks and Treats

Decorate a take-home pumpkin, dance the Monster Mash and watch puppet owls give a show. ♦ Surrey Museum, 17710 56A Ave., Surrey ♦ Oct. 28, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon ♦ \$6, pre-registration required, 604-592-6956. For ages 3-6 years

Haunted Village

Wear your costumes and bring a flashlight — see ghosts and goblins lurking in the village streets, go trick-or-treating at the houses of ghoulish village folk, watch the fire show and spook show. ♦ Burnaby Village Museum, 6501 Deer Lake Ave. ♦ Oct. 28, 29, 30 from 6-9 p.m. ♦ \$12/\$8, 604-293-6500

Vancouver Aquarium — Halloween Sleepover

Exciting night of exploration — dress up and trick-or-treat behind the scenes. ♦ Oct. 28 ♦ 604-659-3552 to register

1st Annual Film Industry Halloween Haunt in Support of B.C. Children's Hospital

Take a haunting tour through the medieval village set used for TV series *Stargate SG-1* while some of the best in the film industry work behind the scenes to give you goose bumps. ♦ Bridge Studios, 2400 Boundary Rd., Burnaby ♦ Oct.

29, 1-9 p.m. and Oct. 30, 12 noon-8 p.m. ♦ \$10/adult, \$5/children under 12, 604-628-3111 or www.filmhaunt.com

Halloween Costume Salsa Cruise

Three levels, 2 DJs, free salsa lesson and dance show, prizes for best costume. ♦ Sailing aboard the MV Britannia, foot of Denman St. ♦ Oct. 29, boarding 8:30 p.m. ♦ \$25/\$20 at Highlife, info: 604-312-6772

Halloween Haunted Woods

Look for signs of Halloween in the "haunted" woods and find clues to the not-so-scary origins of Halloween in nature. ♦ Richmond Nature Park, 11851 Westminster Hwy. ♦ Oct. 29 and 30, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. ♦ By donation, 604-718-6188

Halloween with the Vancouver Youth Symphony Intermediate Orchestra

Dress up as your favourite ghoul or goblin and come out for an evening of Halloween-themed classical music and ghostly goodie bag treats. ♦ Verlie Cooter Theatre, Centennial Secondary School, Coquitlam ♦ Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m. ♦ \$5, under 5/free, at the door or 604-737-0714

Haunted Barn

Wear your costume and

experience the haunted heritage barn complete with magic show and enjoy spooky stories and Halloween treats. ♦ Historic Stewart Farm, 13723 Crescent Rd., Surrey ♦ Oct. 29, 7-9 p.m. ♦ \$18, pre-registration required, 604-592-6956. For grades 2-6

Pumpkin Power

A chance to view, carve and eat pumpkins — see a monster pumpkin display, carve a take-home jack o'lantern and taste some pie while watching the Cloverdale costume parade. ♦ Surrey Museum, 17710 56A Ave., Surrey ♦ Oct. 29, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. ♦ By donation, 604-592-6956

Vancouver Aquarium — Moondance Masquerade

Night of dancing, food and prizes under the spooky Halloween moon. ♦ Oct. 29 ♦ \$40 at Ticketmaster

Weaving Webs, Spinning Spiders

Weave and spin easy, spooky Halloween decorations, create a cloth spider puppet and make it climb a giant web. ♦ Surrey Museum, 17710 56A Ave., Surrey ♦ Oct. 29, 1-3 p.m. ♦ \$7.50, pre-registration required, 604-592-6956. For grades 1-7

Ghost Ridge

Haunted house features professional special effects, creepy decor, ghoulish guests and a choice of family or adult experiences. Proceeds donated to local charities. ♦ Albion Fair Grounds, Maple Ridge (105th Ave. off Lougheed Hwy.) ♦ Oct. 24-30, 6-9 p.m. ♦ \$2-\$6

Haunted Tea Party at Roedde House Museum

Featuring creepy museum tours, crafts for kids, storytelling and Halloween treats. ♦ 1415 Barclay St. ♦ Oct. 30, 1-4 p.m. ♦ \$5/\$4, 604-684-7040

A Piratical Halloween Afternoon

Experience a haunted ship, ghostly stories, pirate hats, Treasure Island maps and pirate loot. ♦ Vancouver Maritime Museum, 1905 Ogden Ave. ♦ Oct. 30, 12 noon-4 p.m. ♦ 604-257-8300. For ages 4-10 years

Aldor Acres Pumpkin Patch

A real farm experience — visit the animals and go on a hayride to the pumpkin patch to choose your own pumpkin. ♦ 24990 84th Ave., Langley ♦ Daily until Oct. 31, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. ♦ \$5/person, 604-888-0788, www.aldoracres.com

Halloween Carnival

Dress in your creepiest costume — includes games, crafts, face painting, music and spooky surprises. ♦ Roundhouse Community Centre ♦ Oct. 31, 3:30-7:30 p.m. ♦ \$5, 604-713-1800

Halloween Festivities at Oakridge Centre

Bring your fairies and goblins to see the magic of Ray Medway as he dazzles with his Tribute to Hogwarts Halloween Spooktacular, then after the show fill up with treats in the auditorium. ♦ Oct. 31, 4 p.m. ♦ www.oakridgecentre.com

Haunted Halloween Walking Tour

Join a guide from the Architectural Institute of B.C. and discover the terrible truths of famous heritage landmarks in Gastown, Crosstown, downtown and Yaletown. ♦ Meet in the lobby, Roundhouse Community Centre ♦ Oct. 31, 7-8 p.m. ♦ Free, 604-713-1800 to reserve your spot

Nu Masquerade Party

Evening of mischievous and boisterous revelry — masks and other face disguises are a must, and costumes should be

fantastical, historical, mythical or magical. ♦ Nu, 1661 Granville St. ♦ Oct. 31, 8:30 p.m. ♦ \$10 at the door, info: 604-646-4668

95.3's Masquerade 2005

The Commodore Ballroom will be transformed into Vancouver's largest haunted house with music by the Famous Players and Paul the Wall. Prizes for best costumes including the grand prize of \$10,000. ♦ 868 Granville St. ♦ Oct. 31, 8 p.m. ♦ \$32.50 at Ticketmaster

5th Annual Trick or Treat Route Through Yaletown

Trick or treat at participating Yaletown businesses then go back to the Roundhouse Community Centre for the 5th annual Halloween carnival. ♦ Oct. 31, 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. ♦ Route map may be picked up at the Roundhouse, 604-713-1800, www.yaletowninfo.com

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

Dress up in costume, bring your friends and a sense of humour for a screening of the first audience participation show. ♦ Vogue Theatre, 918 Granville St. ♦ Oct. 31, 8 p.m. ♦ \$13 at Ticketmaster or 604-331-7909

ON STAGE

THEATRE

Opening

Alley Cats

Broadway-style, romantic musical comedy about Felicia returning home after failing to make it as a tap dancer on Broadway. Co-production by Megakins Productions and Hoarse Raven Theatre. ♦ Vogue Theatre ♦ Previews Tonight-Sunday, opens Tuesday and runs until Nov. 12 ♦ Tickets at Ticketmaster

Life Skills

On a small-town cable show, a nervous host tries to interview his unwieldy but inspired guest who is promoting her life-skills class at the local college. Written by David King, presented by Presentation House Theatre. ♦ 3rd and Chesterfield, North Van ♦ Previews tonight and runs until Nov. 5, Tues.-Sat. ♦ \$18/\$14, 604-990-3474

The Elephant Man

The story of a deformed man slowly being welcomed into a community he thought unavailable to him. The elephant man is played by Damon Calderwood and Sarah Rodgers directs ♦ Tomorrow-Nov. 12 ♦ Pacific Theatre, 1440

West 12th Ave. ♦ 604-731-5518

Rocky Horror Picture Show

Based on the cult movie, this musical play is about Brad and Janet who stumble upon the castle of Dr. Frank-N-Furter. Presented by Sea to Sky Entertainment. ♦ Centennial Theatre, North Van ♦ Tomorrow and Saturday, 8 p.m. ♦ \$18/\$16, 604-984-4484

Astrid Hadad

Mexican cabaret diva-comedienne and performance artist's show is a fusion of song, theatre, cabaret and musical arrangements from her band Los Tarzanes. ♦ Chan Centre, UBC ♦ Saturday, 8 p.m. ♦ \$28-\$45 at Ticketmaster

The Mousetrap

Valley Theatre Projects presents Agatha Christie's classic mystery. ♦ Clarke Foundation Theatre, Mission ♦ Saturday, Oct. 27, 28 and 29 ♦ \$15/\$12 at the door, Murdoch's Books or Just About Pets

Vancouver Opera — Puccini's Turandot

Puccini's final opera based on Persian legend and set in ancient Peking is the story of an icy princess who sets herself and her people free when she opens her heart to love. In Italian with English translations projected above the stage. ♦ Queen Elizabeth

Theatre ♦ Saturday-Nov. 1, 7:30 p.m. ♦ \$29-\$135, 604-683-0222

Celebration of Life/Four Seasons

Mime performance based on Japanese Noh fables, by Japanese performing artist Yayoi Hirano. A fundraiser for the B.C. Cancer Foundation and VGH and UBC Hospital Foundation. ♦ Scotiabank Dance Centre, 677 Davie St. ♦ Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 p.m. ♦ \$35, 604-257-0366

Frankie and Johnny in the Clair de Lune

Funny and moving modern fairy tale by Terrence McNally takes place in a cramped apartment in Manhattan's west side. ♦ Dorothy Somerset Studio Theatre, 6361 University Blvd, UBC ♦ Tuesday-Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m. ♦ 604-822-2678

As It Is In Heaven

When a newcomer claims to see angels in the meadow, life in the peaceful 1830s Shaker settlement of Pleasant Hill is turned upside down in Arlene Hutton's musical drama. Presented by the Trinity Western University drama department. ♦ Freedom Hall, TWU, 7600 Glover Rd., Langley ♦ Wednesday-Oct 29 and Nov. 2-5 ♦ \$12/\$5 at the door or 604-513-2005



Musical drama *As It Is in Heaven* opens Wednesday at Trinity Western University.