



Students to Plant Garry Oaks in Beacon Hill Park for *National Tree Day*

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2016

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VICTORIA, BC – This morning, students from South Park Elementary school will mark *National Tree Day* by planting 12 Garry oaks in Beacon Hill Park. City of Victoria Parks crews and Tree Canada representatives will be on hand to teach the students how to plant the trees.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:

What: National Tree Day Tree Planting
When: Wednesday, September 21, 2016 from 10 a.m. – noon
Where: Beacon Hill Park, Southgate Street at Douglas Street

The tree planting is sponsored by Tree Canada and TELUS, who are hosting 13 ceremonial tree planting events across the country to engage Canadians in celebrating the importance of trees on *National Tree Day*.

Victoria's urban forest has approximately 150,000 trees. The City manages 33,000 of these trees within its parks and boulevards. Beacon Hill Park is home to the largest concentration of Garry oaks in Victoria, with over 1,600 trees of this native species.

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