



Plantings, Tours and Art Station on Offer at Tree Appreciation Day

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For Immediate Release

VICTORIA, BC – On Sunday, November 4 the City of Victoria will celebrate Tree Appreciation Day with plantings and activities at the Cameron Bandshell in Beacon Hill Park.

Media and the public are invited to bring their gloves and their questions, and join Parks staff for a morning of fun, learning, and tree planting between 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Take part in educational activities at the Cameron Bandshell or join a free tree tour through Beacon Hill Park. Activity stations will include an “Ask an Arborist” table for questions about tree care and tree identification, a children’s art station, a planting station and more!

City arborists will lead hourly tree tours through the natural areas of Beacon Hill Park at 11 a.m. and 12 noon. Tours will leave from the Cameron Bandshell. Accessible tours will be available. There will also be a few tours that take participants ‘off the beaten path’ into natural areas.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:

WHAT: Tree Appreciation Day Kick-Off and Ceremonial Tree Planting

WHO: Join representatives from the City and members of the community to plant three trees in Beacon Hill Park

WHEN: Sunday, November 4, 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

WHERE: Cameron Bandshell, Beacon Hill Park

Tree Appreciation Day is an annual event that recognizes the importance of trees in the urban environment. The City manages an urban forest of approximately 33,000 trees on 300 kilometres of boulevards and in 137 parks and open spaces. To date in 2018, the City has planted 265 trees. The City’s Urban Forest Master Plan encourages opportunities for community members to participate in tree plantings. Since 2006, this annual event has brought the community together to plant more than 400 trees and shrubs in City Parks.

Parking is available along Douglas Street just northwest of Circle Drive and in Beacon Hill Park near the petting zoo. The event will be held rain or shine and warm refreshments will be served.

For more information: www.victoria.ca/parks

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