A Joyous Celebration of Ideas, the Arts, Science, and Efforts to Make the World a Better Place

July 17-20, 2023 Vancouver, BC

A cross-cultural gathering that spans the Arts, Humanities, Sciences, and Humanitarian and Social Justice Initiatives.

Designed to build community that crosses continents, cultures, and fields, and to push people to think in new ways, see the need for different perspectives, and birth new insights with the goal of trying to help make the world a better place where all children (indeed, everyone) can thrive.

90 phenomenal speakers and performing artists from around the world Indigenous leaders from around the world Scientists, Educators, Clinicians, Mindfulness Experts, Policymakers, Musicians, Dancers, Storytellers, Mime

Conference website: http://www.devcogneuro.com/Conf2023

Occasioned in part by the health challenges of Adele Diamond

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A Joyous Celebration of Ideas, the Arts, Science, and Efforts to Make the World a Better Place Day 1 – Monday – July 17

7:30 am	75 min	Light Continental Preakfact Buffet & Conference Peristration		
	Duration	Light Continental Breakfast Buffet & Conference Registration		
Time	-	Presenter Introductions music to bring people in welcome: Adele		
8:45 am	40 mins	First Nation Greeting: Shane Pointe Mindfulness Min w/ Michele Chabar Adele again + Daphne Ling		
9:30	50 mins	Session 1: Indigenous Cultures: Their Wisdom & Efforts to Insure their Survival		
		Maung Nyeu 15 min Marma (Chittagong Hill Tracts, Banglades)		
		Nancy Yáñez 15 min Chile		
		Ashli Akins 15 min Peru		
10:25	30 mins	Refreshment Break		
10.25	50 111115			
10:55	50 mins	Session 2, Part 1: Education		
		Lynne Lawrence 15 min		
		Andre Shearer 15 min		
11.45	10			
11:45	10 mins	Stretch Break		
11:55	65 mins	 Session 2, Part 2: Education Hayes Greenfield [perform + speak] includes performance 18 min 		
		 Andrea Raza Álvaro 15 min 		
		John Mighton & Liz Barrett 15 min		
		Laurie Faith & Carol-Anne Bush 15 min		
1:00	1 hr 50			
1.00	mins			
		Lunch (on your own)		
2:50	35 mins	Session 3: Cognitive Science & Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience		
		Michael Posner 15 min		
		Patricia Kuhl 15 min		
3:25	10 mins	Stretch Break		
3:35	20 mins	Session 4: Cultural Contexts of Mental Healthcare Delivery		
5.55	20 11113	Radhika Bapat 20 min		
3:55	10 mins	Stretch Break		
4:05	50 mins	Session 5: Developmental Science; Cognitive Development		
	50 11115	Yuko Munakata 15 min		
		Amanda Woodward 15 min		
		Andrew Meltzoff 15 min		
4.55	20	Refreshment Break		
4:55	30 mins			
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		Seattle	Youth Orhcestra welcoming people back
5:25	15 min	Session 6: From Conflict to Connection: Creating Harmony via Aikido	
		Robert Vichnis 15 min [talk & demo]	includes demonstration
5:40	10 mins	Stretch Break	
5:50	40 mins	Session 7: Music performance	
		• Juan Felipe Molano – talk on El Sistema & on Music & the Brain 20 min	
		El Sistema performance (Seattle Youth Orchestra) Performance 20 min	
		move next door	
6:40		short talks (no slides):	Refreshments / hors
		 Patrizio Paoletti – not sure if he'll be here d'oeuvres 	
		by then in a Cabaret setting	
		Don Druin (Adele's husband)	
		Open Mic	
		Music & maybe Dance	

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Day 2 – Tuesday – July 18

7:30 am	75 min	Light Continental Breakfast Buffet		
Time	Duration	Presenter music by Hayes Greenfield bringing people in		
8:45 am	15 mins	Introductions		
9 am	60 mins	Session 1: Effects of Trauma & Stress on the Mind & Body		
		Gabor Maté 30 min		
		Elissa Epel 30 min		
10:00	10 mins	Stretch Break		
10:10	60 mins	Session 2: Restoring Justice to Criminal Justice		
		Alison Granger-Brown 15 min		
		Amy Lansing 15 min		
		BJ Casey 15 min		
		Brenda Morrison 15 min		
11:10	30 mins	Refreshment Break		
11:40	40 mins	music welcoming people back Session 3: Social-Emotional Dev. & Plasticity: Compassion & Empathy #1		
11.40	40 111113	• Thupten Jinpa 15 min		
		Angela Low 10 min		
		Kim Schonert-Reichl 15 min		
12:20 pm	10 mins	Stretch Break		
12:30	50 mins	 Session 4: Inspiring & Empowering Youth: Capoeira & National Dance Inst. Valter Fernandes Curumim – Capoeira [talk & demo] includes performance Jenny Seham – talk about NDI and dance w/ blind children 15 min California Dance Inst. (CDI) performance 15 min 		
1:25	1 hour 50 minutes	Lunch (on your own)		
3:15	40 mins	Session 5: Dev. Cognitive Neuroscience & Developmental Science		
		Natasha Kirkham 18 min		
		Dima Amso 18 min		
3:55	10 mins	Stretch Break		
4:05	55 mins	Session 6: Indigenous Peoples' Cultural Wisdom & Programs #2		
		• Barbara Rogoff 18 min Mayan (Mexico)		
		• Loise Nashepai 18 min Maasai (Kenya)		
		Regina Lohndorf 18 min Mapuche (Chile)		
5:00	30 mins	Refreshment Break		

			music welcoming people back
5:30	30 mins	Session 7: Executive Functions	
		• Silvia Bunge 15 min	
		Jelena Obradovic 15 min	
6:00	10 mins	Stretch Break	
6:10	30 min	Session 8: Music & Dance performance	
		Justin Scarimbolo on traditional Indian instruments 10 min	
		El Sistema in Vancouver (Saint James M	usic Academy) 15 min
		move next door	
7:00		short talks (no slides):	Refreshments /
		Michele Chaban	hors d'oeuvres
		Trevor Hurwitz	in a Cabaret
		Lesley Horton	setting
		Open Mic	
		Music by Licia Sky and others, & maybe Danc	ce

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Day 3 – Wednesday – July 19

7:30 am	75 min	Light Continental Breakfast Buffet	
Time	Duration	Presenter music to bring people in: maybe Shari Geller	
8:45 am	15 mins	Introductions	
9:00	30 mins	Session 1: Mindfulness & Stress Resilience	
		Bidyut Bose 15 min	
		Cliff Saron 15 min	
9:30	10 mins	Stretch Break	
9:40	65 mins	Session 2: Social Determinants of Health; Social Justice	
		Gilles Julien 15 min	
		Hélène Sioui Trudel 15 min	
		Judy Graves 15 min	
		Rabia Mir 10 min	
		Chris Loock 10 min	
10:45	30 mins	Refreshment Break]
11:15	45 mins	Music welcoming people i Session 3: Inspiring & Empowering Youth: Youth Circus & Higher Gro	
11.15	45 111115		unu
		Jackie Davis – talk plus mime performance 20 min ^{performance}	
		Jansen Azarias-Suzumoto 20 min	
12 noon	10 mins	Stretch Break	
12:10	60 mins	Session 4: Early Child Development	
		Ellen Galinsky 15 min	
		Silvia Dubovoy 15 min	
		 Kathy Hirsh-Pasek 15 min 	
		Karen Wynn 15 min	
1:10 pm	1 hr & 50		
	mins		
		Lunch (on your own)	
		music yelcoming people back	
3:00	60 mins	music welcoming people back Session 5: Human Flourishing & Social-Emotional Development	
		Bessel van der Kolk 20 min	
		Eveline Crone 15 min	
		 Mark Greenberg & Christa Turksma 15 min 	
		Michiel Westenberg 10 min	
4:00	10 mins	Stretch Break	
4:10	30 mins	Session 6: Indigenous Peoples' Cultural Wisdom & Programs #3	
		Monica Tsethlikai 15 min Zuni	
		Michele Sam 15 min Ktunaxa	
4.40	20		
4:40	30 mins	Refreshment Break	hack
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5:10	15 mins	Session 7: Orange County School of the Arts (OSCA) musical performance			
5:25	10 mins	Stretch Break			
5:35	60 mins	Session 8: Cognitive Neuroscience: Prefrontal Cortex & Exec. Functions			
		Amy Arnsten	15 min		
		 Torkel Klingberg 	15 min		
		 Michael Petrides 	15 min		
		Trevor Robbins	15 min		
6:35	10 mins	Stretch Break			
6:45	30 mins	Session 9: Social-Emotional E	Session 9: Social-Emotional Dev. & Plasticity: Compassion & Empathy #2		
		 Tania Singer 	15 min		
		Mary Gordon	15 min		
		move next door			
7:25		short talks (no slides):		Refreshments /	
		Rena Del Pieve Gobbi		hors d'oeuvres	
		 Richard Biegel 		in a Cabaret setting	
		Open Mic			
		Music & maybe Dance			

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Day 4 – Thursday – July 20

7:30 am 75 min Light Continental Breakfast Buffet				
Time	Duration	Presenter music to bring people in		
8:45 am	15 mins	Introductions		
9:00	30 mins	Session 1: Interpersonal Neurobiology		
		• Dan Siegel 30 min		
9:30	10 mins	Stretch Break		
9:40	30 mins	Session 2: Life Cycle Benefits of Quality Early Childhood Programs James Heckman 30 min 		
10:10	10 mins	Stretch Break		
10:20	20 mins	 Session 3: Music ^{performance} Vancouver Symphony members in the Sitka String Quartet 20 min 		
10:40	30 mins	Refreshment Break		
11:10	30 mins	Session 4: Storyteller Extraordinaire		
		 Judith Black 30 min ^{performance} 		
11:40	10 mins	Stretch Break		
11:50	45 mins	 Session 5: Redressing Social Injustices Erica Frank 15 min Tedd Judd 15 min Mahzarin Banaji 15 min 		
12:35 pm	10 mins	Stretch Break		
12:45	25 mins	 Session 6: ADHD & the Dopamine System in Prefrontal Cortex Daphne Ling 15 min Margaret Weiss 10 min 		
1:10	1 hr & 50 mins	Lunch (on your own)		
3:00	35 mins	Music welcoming people back Session 8, Part 1: Programs & Activities to Improve Executive Function		
	55 111115	 Edith Bachman 10 min Fatimah Bahrami 10 min Priscilla Paz 12 min 		
3:35	10 mins	Stretch Break		
3:45	30 mins	 Session 8, Part 2: Programs & Activities to Improve Executive Function Kim Lakes 15 min Tal Ben-Soussan 15 min 		
4:15	25 mins	Wrap Up and Musical/ Performance surprise		
4:40		Good Byes and Farewells		
5:00		Communal Clean-up		

The 90 Speakers and Performers who will present at the Joyous Celebration, July 17-20, Vancouver

Ashli Akins Cultural Ecologist & Founder of Mosqoy, a non-profit working w/ the Quechua of the Peruvian Andes Dima Amso Developmental Cog. Neuroscientist, Developmental Psychologist studying attention beginning in infancy Amy Arnsten Systems & Behavioral Neuroscientist. Expert on prefrontal cortex & the role of norepinephrine there Co-Founder of Higher Ground, dedicated to building character & empowering disadvantaged youth Jansen Azarias-Suzumoto Edith Bachmann As a high student conducted a study of the effects of storytelling on 4th graders' executive functions Fatimah Bahrami Karate Master, as a Neuroscience PhD student is studying karate's benefits for child development Mahzarin Banaji Studies dissociations between conscious attitudes and unconscious, implicit evaluations of social groups Radhika Bapat Clinical Psychologist in India, whose therapy relies on contextual storytelling & indigenous metaphors Liz Barrett Learning & Educator Support Specialist working with Indigenous peoples across Canada with JUMP Math Tal Ben-Soussan Cognitive Neuroscientist; neurophysiological, molecular, & psychological effects of Quadrato training **Richard Biegel** Founded MindED, where eminent developmental researchers distill their findings for parents & educators **Judith Black** Storyteller extraordinaire; for 35 years has been using stories to motivate, humanize, entertain, & teach Elena Bodrova Co-Founder & Co-Director, Tools of the Mind; trained under Luria and protégés of Vygotsky **Bidyut Bose** Founder & Exec. Director, Niroga Inst., a non-profit bringing dynamic mindfulness to >½ million students Silvia Bunge Cognitive Neuroscientist; her lab draws from cog. neurosci., developmental psychology, & education res. Carol-Anne Bush K-12 Educator; co-author of book, Executive Function Skills in the Classroom: Overcoming Barriers... California Dance Institute CDI is a non-profit arts education program instilling confidence, discipline, & focus through dance **BJ** Casey Developmental Cognitive Neuroscientist & a member of the Justice Collaboratory at Yale Law School Michele Chaban Founder, & Matriarch for almost 20 years, of the Applied Mindful Meditation community in Toronto **Eveline Crone** Premier Dutch Developmental Cognitive Neuroscientist; author of the book, The Adolescent Brain Jackie Davis Youth Circus education pioneer with >20 years experience. Mime who trained with Marcel Marceau **Rena Del Pieve Gobbi** An accomplished filmmaker; seeks to empower those, like herself, who suffer from severe mental illness Don Druin Molecular Geneticist; Whitewater Rafting & Wilderness Survival Instructor; built 1st mock MRI scanner Silvia Dubovoy Montessori Educator & Trainer of Trainers for children 0-3 & 3-6 years; worked closely with Carl Rogers Elissa Epel International Expert on stress, well-being, & optimal aging; best-selling author (The Telomere Effect) Laurie Faith Co-Author of Executive Function Skills in the Classroom: Overcoming Barriers, Building Strategies Valter Fernandes Founder, NextGenU.org (offers FREE education worldwide). Past Pres., Physicians for Social Responsibility Erica Frank Founder, NextGenU.org (offers FREE education worldwide). Past President, Physicians for Social Responsibility Ellen Galinsky President, Families and Work Institute. Best-selling author (Mind in the Making). Past Pres., NYAEC Mary Gordon Founder & President, Roots of Empathy. Social entrepreneur committed to increasing compassion

Alison Granger-Brown For 22 years has supported the transformational learning, growth, & development of people in prison 1st Advocate in Vancouver City Hall for the homeless. High school drop-out, holds 4 honorary doctorates Judy Graves Mark Greenberg Founding Bd. Member, CASEL. Chair, CREATE for Education, a non-profit promoting caring & compassion **Hayes Greenfield** Founder, Creative Sound Play for pre-K classrooms. An award-winning musician, composer, & sound artist James Heckman Nobel Laureate in Economics. Studies efficacy of early childhood education for reducing inequality Kathy Hirsh-Pasek Developmental Psychologist championing the importance of play. Author of several best-selling books Lesley Horton Family physician with a special interest in Environmental Medicine, especially environmental pathogens **Trevor Hurwitz** Both a Neurologist and Psychiatrist, he is the Father of Neuropsychiatry in BC & of NP Training in Canada **Thupten Jinpa** Was Chief Translator for the Dalai Lama for decades. Developed Compassion Cultivation Training Tedd Judd Neuropsychologist working on culturally-appropriate practices in low- & middle-income countries **Gilles Julien** Father of Community Social Pediatrics. Member, Order of Canada; Commander, Ordre de Montréal Natasha Kirkham Professor, Dev. Psych., Birkbeck, Univ. of London. Studies selective attention in infants & preschoolers **Torkel Klingberg** Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience, Karolinska Institute. A leading developer & researcher of Cogmed Patricia Kuhl Internationally recognized for her research on early language learning and bilingual brain development **Kimberley Lakes** Passionate about global child health and holistic, culturally-relevant interventions to promote well-being Leading researcher on why juvenile offenders offend, their mental health challenges, & how best to help Amy Lansing Lynne Lawrence Executive Director, International Montessori Association (AMI). Very active in Educateurs sans Frontières **Deborah Leong** Co-Developer & Director, Tools of the Mind, a curriculum emphasizing play for developing self-regulation Daphne Ling Award-winning Neuroscience graduate student. Important studies of the dopamine system in PFC **Regina Lohndorf** Dev.al Psychologist, working w/ indigenous Mapuche to preserve & revive their culture & language **Christine Loock** Physician who co-founded & leads, RICHER (the social pediatrics initiative in Vancouver's poorest area) Angela Low Ed.al psychologist focused on shame & compassion in parent ed. Provincial lead, child health promotion. Gabor Maté Author of best-sellers, e.g., When the Body Says No and The Myth of Normal. Member, Order of Canada Andrew Meltzoff Pioneer in early social-cognitive development, esp. infant imitation & roots of infant sharing & altruism John Mighton Founder & Director, JUMP Math. Social Entrepreneur of the Yr, Ashoka Fellow, Order of Canada member Rabia Mir Brilliant Interdisciplinary graduate student, giving a voice to those marginalized and disadvantaged Juan-Felipe Molano Conductor, Seattle Youth Orchestra; previously Nat'l Director, Batuta (Colombia's El Sistema Orchestras) Director, Centre for Restorative Justice, Simon Fraser University. Board Member, Smart Justice Canada Brenda Morrison Yuko Munakata Preeminent Developmental Psychologist. Viral TEDx talk on the science of how parents affect their children A Masaai school administrator, committed to quality education for poor children & rescued girls in Kenya Loise Nashepai Founder & Director, Our Golden Hour, extending ed. opportunities for marginalized & underserved kids Maung Nyeu

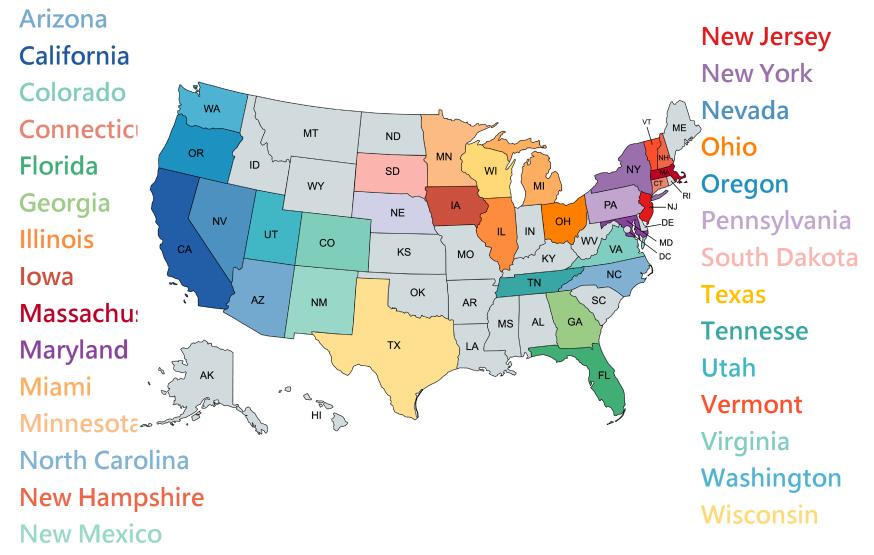
Created innovative, scalable assessments of EF skills & a global repository of EF data to support open sci. Jelena Obradovic Orange C. Sch. the Arts A public charter school, catering to students w/ talents in performing, visual, literary, or culinary arts Patrizio Paoletti Encourages people to go beyond social, personal, & cultural stereotypes to achieve self-realization **Priscilla Paz** MD & graduate student in Public Health; Studying whether improving balance might improve exec functions Michael Posner Giant in Cog. Sci. Co-founded field of Cog. Neurosci. Recipient of highest US honor, Nat'l Medal of Sci. Andrea Raza-Álvaro Works w/ descendants of the indigenous Quitu-Cara tribe in Ecuador to provide quality, holistic education **Trevor Robbins** Systems Neuroscientist specializing in frontal lobe function. Commander, Order of the British Empire **Barbara Rogoff** Pioneer and Leader in Cross-Cultural Human Development; award-winning author of multiple books St. James Music Acad. A non-profit El Sistema-inspired music program committed to social change through the power & love of music Michele Sam A Ktunaxa elder, guided by principles based on Indigenous Peoples' ways of being, doing, and knowing **Cliff Saron** Neuroscientist, specializing in the training of attention & emotion regulation thru contemplative practice. Justin Scarimbolo A classical guitarist, Hindustani sitarist, and ethnomusicologist based in Pune, India **Kim Schonert-Reichl** NoVo Fdn. Endowed Chair in Social & Emotional Learning. Chair, Sci. Res. Advisory Com., Goldie Hawn Fdn Seattle Youth Orches. Founded in 1942, the largest youth orchestra training program in the US. Headed by Molano since 2019 Jenny Seham Teaches blind youth to dance and gives youth with mental-health challenges creative, artistic outlets André Shearer Founder & Chair, Indaba Fdn., which brings quality early education to South Africa's most vulnerable children **Daniel Siegel** Author of many best-selling books, including Mindsight, Intraconnected, Whole-Brain Child, and many more **Tania Singer** Professor of Social Neuroscience & the leading neuroscience researcher on empathy and compassion Hélène (Sioui) Trudel A Montreal Lawyer, Mediator, & Founder of an innovative children's-rights-based approach to child health Sitka String Quartet An outstanding all female ensemble of musicians from the Vancouver Symphony Monica Tsethlikai Researches role cultural connectedness plays in shaping cognitive development; a member of the A:shiwi people **Christa Turksma** Co-Developer, CARE for Teachers program; Clinical Child Psychologist; was a Kindergarten teacher for many years Bessel van der Kolk Studies how children & adults adapt to, & recover from, traumatic experiences. Author of The Body Keeps the Score **Vancouver Symphony** Winner of Juno & Grammy awards. Largest arts organization in Western Canada (see Sitka String Quartet above) **Robert Vichnis** Sculptor, Clinician, Social Worker, & 5th degree Black Belt in Aikido (which means "the way of harmony") Margaret Weiss ADHD Expert. Previously headed BC's ADHD program, a Centre of Excellence for treatment, teaching, & research Michiel Westenberg Expert on social anxiety in adolescence; Sci. Director Emeritus, Nat'l Inst. for the Study of Ed. & Human Dev. Amanda Woodward Pioneered ingenious experimental methods for investigating social cognition in infants & young children Karen Wynn Developmental Psychologist; Emerita Professor, Yale University; Painter and Printmaker Nancy Yáñez Indigenous lawyer specializing in human rts. Founder & Co-Director, Observatory for Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Participants were from 46 Countries

Australia Austria Argentina Bahamas Bangladesh Brazil Canada Chile China Colombia Denmark Ecuador England France Gaza (Palestine) Germany India

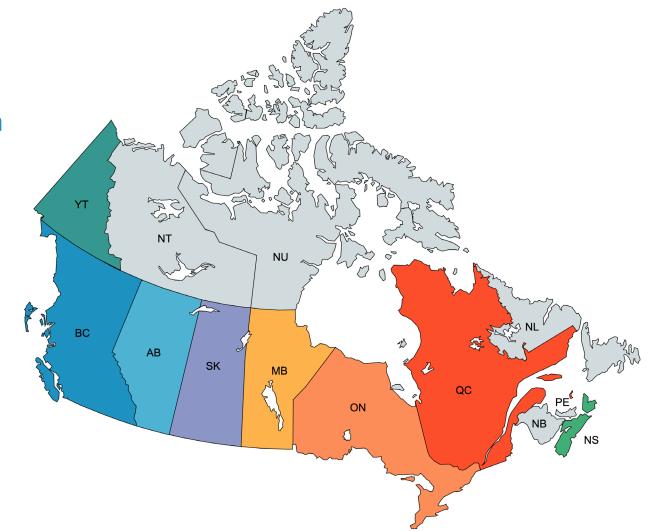
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Participants were from 29 of the US states



Participants in Canada were from

British Columbia Alberta Manitoba Nova Scotia Ontario Quebec Saskatchewan Yukon



HUGE THANKS to the many people helped to make this Joyous Celebration possible – inviting attendees, formatting the biosketches of presenters, assembling touching messages and anecdotes for Adele's grandchildren, printing posters & conference materials, ordering supplies, manning the Registration desk, etc.

Daphne Ling



Aaryamaan Verma

Alison Granger-Brown



David Abbott





Erik Druin

Alison Lin

Angela Low

Anya Phillip



Fatimah Bahrami





Jayne Booth







Jenna Whitehead



Carol-Anne Bush





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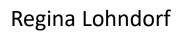
Mildred Mok

Priscilla Paz

Rabia Mir



Julie Sauve









Sahar Remtula

Samin Alighanadi



Sue Hall



Tonje Molyneux

Zander Chearavanont













Persons no longer with us, whose spirits we hope will imbue this event

Each has made major contributions to science, the arts, human rights, and/or social justice, but importantly each has human qualities we would like to emulate such as courage, integrity, kindness, compassion, perseverance, tenacity, wisdom, joyful disposition, encouraging others, & a strong moral compass.

Those whose photos are posted on the left wall of the auditorium setting:



Those whose photos are posted on the right wall of the auditorium setting:



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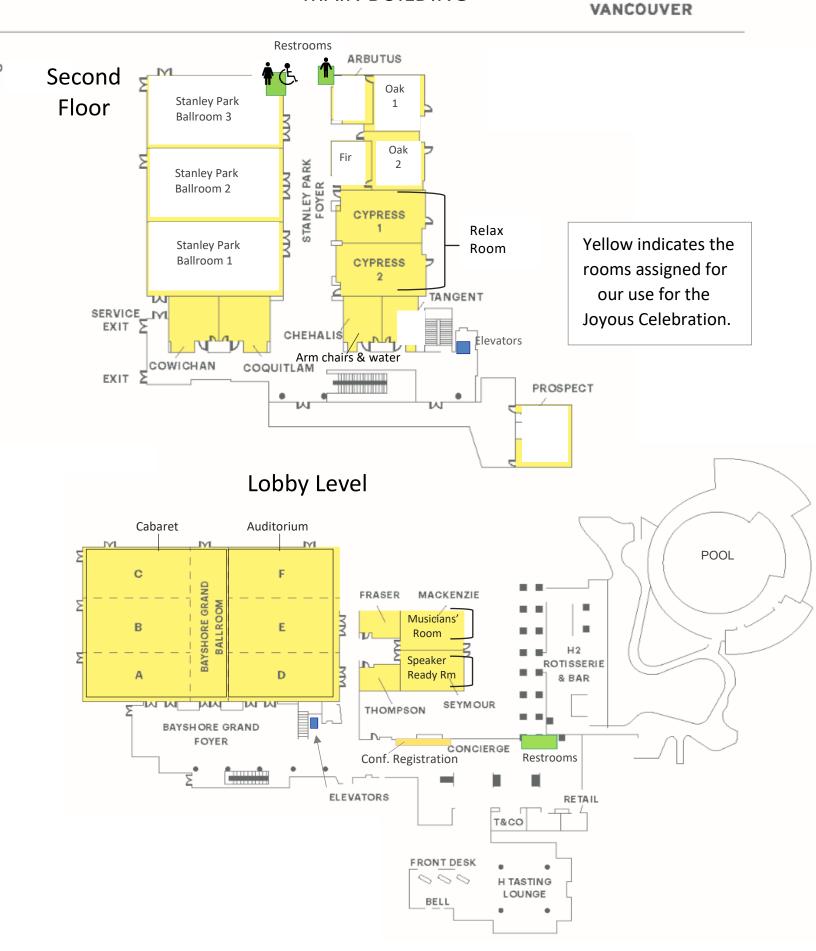


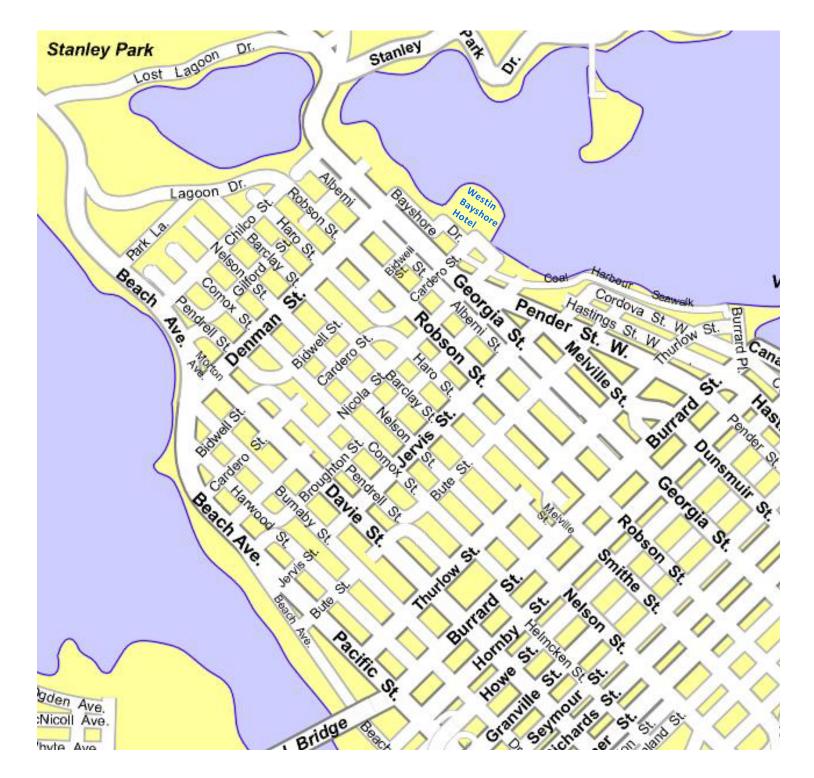
We know that everyone listed above is human, which is to say imperfect. They, like us all, have flaws. There are also a great many more folks who deserve to be included, among them: Thurgood Marshall, Harriet Tubman, Janusz Korczak, Nelson Butters, Thomas Merton, Raoul Wallenberg, Robert White, M. Brewster Smith, Jan Bureš, Desmond Tutu, Harold Clurman, Solomon Asch, Dalton Trumbo, Robin Williams, Feng Shan Ho, Maria Montessori, Raul Julia, Richard Wagamese, Karen Pape, Maria Montessori, Robert Kennedy, Jane Bolin, Chadwick Boseman, Paul Robeson, Mary Two-Axe Earley, & Martin Luther King.

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Map of the Local Area near the Westin Bayshore Hotel