

T O U R S School Tours

Tour A (6 hours)

Wednesday, July 9, departs 10:30

Limited to 30 persons. \$15.00 per person

Lord Kitchener Elementary School

Kitchener's library resource centre serves staff of the school and students from K-7. The circulation system is currently in the process of being automated.

Visitors to the school will be invited to view the management system and the collection, listen to a brief description of the role of a teacher-librarian in the Vancouver school system, and see examples of cooperatively planned and taught units of study for both primary and intermediate students. There will be time for questions and discussion.

Deberah Gallagher, Teacher-Librarian

Lunch (no-host) in West Vancouver

Tour B (4 hours)

Thursday, July 10, departs 09:00

Limited to 30 persons. \$12.00 per person

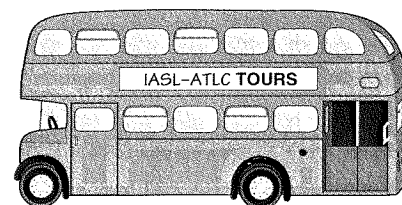
Cunningham Elementary School

Cunningham has approximately 560 students in grades K-7, making it one of the larger elementary schools in Vancouver. The student population is 75% English as a Second Language with over 20 different languages spoken at home. The school's full-time teacher-librarian works collaboratively with classroom teachers to plan and develop units of study and then assists in the teaching of these units. The students at Cunningham also value the library as a book borrowing facility. The library's collection and circulation procedures are totally automated. The tour will give you an opportunity to view the collection, the automated system in action, and some of the library programs and cooperatively-planned units. Ellen Rothstein, Teacher-Librarian

Captain Cook Elementary School

Cook is a K-7 school enrolling about 500 students. Like most Vancouver schools, English is the second language for a majority of the students. The visit to Cook will have something for everyone. For those who want to learn more about Canada, take a look at the displays of Canadian materials and children's work and help yourself to handouts. If you are interested in technology, the automated system will be demonstrated including a pilot of "Kids' Catalog," and the computers with CD-ROMs will also be available for use. A short presentation and informal discussion on the role of the teacher-librarian and the function of the library resource centre will be of interest to those who want to know "how we do it" in Vancouver.

John G. Davies, Teacher-Librarian



Rockridge Middle School

Rockridge is the newest school in West Vancouver. Its library, a room with a view, boasts the following features: seating for 10% of the student population (70 seats), 10 IBM PCs each with 2 CD-ROM towers all attached to a fast Novell network, a district-wide area network, and a fibre optic link to the Internet. The multiLIS automation system has five dedicated search stations for patron use and two for administration. The library also houses a Dynacom multimedia distribution system which in turn is connected to a satellite dish which distributes four channels of information from Education Management Group in Arizona. The book collection, which remains the backbone of the library, has approximately 13,000 heavily-used volumes.

Jim Crook, Teacher-Librarian

Tour C (4 hours)

Thursday, July 10, departs 13:00

Limited to 30 persons. \$12.00 per person

H. J. Cambie Secondary School

Welcome to H. J. Cambie Secondary School, home to 1300 students! Cambie is just two years old and is located in Richmond, a large culturally mixed municipality south of Vancouver. Visitors to Cambie's school library will have the opportunity to tour a bright, airy facility and browse a comprehensive collection that includes CD-ROMs, videos, magazines, vertical files, a large paperback section, and small up-to-date professional library. This completely automated resource centre can accommodate up to two and a half classes at a time. Your questions will be answered and handouts will be distributed.

Judith Kootte, Richmond School Board

Matthew McNair Secondary School

McNair's library has a good current collection of learning resources. A district plan has allowed the Richmond secondary schools to upgrade their collections considerably in the past few years. Bibliographic handouts for the non-fiction and fiction collections will be available to visitors. The Eloquent Librarian automated system is used on a network which also gives access to two CD-ROM towers with many programs. Internet stations are expected to be fully operational by the time of the visit. Unit plans for grades 8-12, illustrating the cooperative model between teacher and teacher-librarian, will be presented and available as handouts.

Willa Walsh, Teacher-Librarian

Local Learning Tours

Accompanying persons will find the following tours enjoyable and educational experiences as will delegates. You will not only learn much about the host city and its attractions but also take away lots of ideas to incorporate into your school and library programs back home. The tour operator, *Famous Events & Destinations*, has custom-made the tours to appeal to "Bridging the Gap" participants.

The tour prices are Canadian dollars and include admissions where applicable. All tours are round-trip in a deluxe motorcoach and include driver gratuity and the services of a knowledgeable tour guide. The tour operator reserves the right to cancel tours if the minimums are not met. You may register for these tours on the registration form. These are sure to be popular events. Tickets for the tours may not be sold on site.

Pick-up is in the driveway in front of the Walter Gage complex. The schedules are tight and each tour will leave promptly. Please gather to board the motorcoach at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled departure time and have your ticket ready to present to the conference host.

A. The Vancouver "Cultural" Tour (4 hours)

Tuesday, July 8, departs 13:00

From UBC you will travel to downtown Vancouver where you will visit some of the city's cultural establishments. Your first stop will be at the **Vancouver Public Library**. This magnificent new building is located across from the Ford Centre for the Performing Arts. The Library is truly an architectural gem with curved walls, huge windows, and towering ceilings.

At the **Vancouver Art Gallery**, now located in one of the city's most splendid 19th century heritage buildings, you will find captivating displays of paintings, sculptures, graphic arts, photography and videos, addressing both historical and contemporary issues. A portion of the permanent collection, which covers four centuries, is always on view, together with paintings and drawings by Emily Carr, one of Canada's greatest artists.

In the unique and intimate setting provided by the **Canadian Craft Museum**, you will have an opportunity to view a series of exhibits showcasing excellence in Canadian and international crafts, craftsmanship, and design, both contemporary and historic.

After exploring the Museum you will drive along "**Robsonstrasse**" (Robson Street), one of the most popular streets in Vancouver noted for its shops and restaurants. If time permits, you can do some shopping or get a bite to eat before the motorcoach transports you to back to the UBC campus. Or, you can make your own way back if you would like to linger longer.

Limited to 44 persons (minimum 36). \$39.00 per person

B. The "Education" Tour (4 hours)

Wednesday, July 9, departs 13:00

From UBC you will travel downtown to the **Lookout!** located at the top of Harbour Centre. Here you will see the city from all viewpoints. Next, it's down the elevator to the **Simon Fraser University Harbour Centre** campus library and bookstore. The SFU library features all the technological advances expected in a modern academic library. The newly expanded bookstore features many specialty books in areas of study not commonly found in other bookstores.

At the last stop on the tour you will visit **Science World**. Housed in what was the **World Expo Centre** at Expo '86, this futuristic building on the False Creek waterfront features permanent and travelling exhibits that dazzle the senses. Three main galleries explore the realms of biology, physics, and music; the fourth gallery is reserved for travelling exhibits. While you are at Science World you can visit the **Omnimax** theatre which features a wraparound screen that puts you right in the picture.

The motorcoach will transport you to back to the UBC campus, or you can make your own way back if you would like to stay in town. Interesting shops and restaurants are just a short ride away on the Sky Train.

Limited to 44 persons (minimum 36). \$42.00 per person

C. The Majestic North Shore Scenic Tour "Bridging the Gap"

Thursday, July 10, departs 12:00 (5 hours)

Across Burrard Inlet, the cities of North and West Vancouver hold their own spectacular sights. The tour will take you from UBC, through Vancouver and across the **Lion's Gate Bridge** to the North Shore and **Grouse Mountain**. Rising gracefully above the city, Grouse Mountain offers you pure air and a spectacular view of the a mountain plateau—a perfect spot to enjoy a picnic lunch! You'll take a breathtaking gondola ride straight up to the summit where you can savour the panoramic view of land, sea, and city below. A unique 30-minute movie combining reality and fantasy, high technology and ancient mythology, will be shown at the **Theatre in the Sky**. Some free time will allow you to explore the summit on your own.

The tour will continue on to the thundering torrent of the Capilano River. There you will witness Vancouver's oldest attraction, the **Capilano Suspension Bridge**. The bridge crosses the Capilano at its deepest point. Cross the 137-meter swinging bridge as you look down 80 meters to the raging river. It is a sight you will not soon forget!

Limited to 44 persons (36 minimum). \$69.00 per person (including lunch)

D. Capture Vancouver! (4 hours)

Friday, July 11, departs 08:00

Bring your camera and tour Vancouver through the viewpoint of your lens! This tour will be led by a **professional photographer** who will instruct you on how to take the most effective and beautiful shots of the city. The photographer will teach you how to best take pictures according to the amount of light, shadows, and subject matter; how to properly frame a shot; and how to avoid mistakes.

Your tour will include stops at some of Vancouver's most famous sights. It begins with a visit to **Gastown**, named in honour of "Gassy" Jack Deighton who opened a saloon here in 1867. The historic buildings, cobblestone streets, quaint boutiques, and the Steam Clock are all fabulous photo opportunities!

The tour will then continue to **Stanley Park**, a huge forested refuge in the midst of downtown Vancouver. Take shots of the native totem poles, stone seawall, green pines, and picturesque views of Coal Harbour and the North Shore. At the **Aquarium** the photographer will teach you how to take great pictures of the different species of marine life, such as the magnificent beluga whales. By the end of the tour you will have an entire roll of photographs to show friends and share with students back home.

Limited to 44 persons (minimum 36). \$55.00 per person

Post-Conference Tours

Famous Events & Destinations can arrange tours to Whistler, Victoria and Vancouver Island, the Rocky Mountains, or even an Alaska Cruise for delegates and their guests after the conference. Contact Paul Shannon directly and tell him you are a "Bridging the Gap" participant. He is at Suite 504, 68 Water Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 1A4. Phone 604-689-3448; Fax: 604-689-5245; Email: pshannon@direct.ca

Hagen's Travel also offers many opportunities for "Bridging the Gap" participants to experience a travel adventure using Vancouver as a point of departure. See the insert in your conference brochure.