

## CITY OF MAPLE RIDGE NEWS RELEASE

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## Maple Ridge to Host Virtual Canada Day Celebration!

**Maple Ridge, BC:** Join the City of Maple Ridge on Wednesday, July 1 to celebrate Canada's birthday virtually from the comfort of your home. There will be online fun for the whole family, including: performances, games, magic, crafts, stories, favourite family recipes and more.

Make some noise and wave at the Canada Day convoy as it makes its way around the Town Centre, Hammond, Silver Valley and Albion neighbourhoods from approximately 3:00 - 4:30 pm. Enjoy performers from The Carnival Band as part of the convoy and watch the livestream event at 7:00 pm featuring Cross Parallel with Canadian country star Aaron Pritchett. Pritchett is one of Canada's most electrifying entertainers and the recipient of multiple awards from the Canadian Country Music Association and BC Country Music Association along with Juno nominations.

The virtual event features a variety of other activities for residents to stay engaged including:

- A four-ingredient recipe challenge. Create a dish inspired by Canada Day, cultural heritage
  or family traditions. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, June 24. Three winners will be
  announced during the 7:00 pm livestream. Details can be found at <u>mapleridge.ca/2434</u>
- Performances by pop rock band The Faceplants, country band Me and Mae, Maple Ridge Circle Dance, Paul Latta Dancers & Co., local magician and previous World Champion of Magic, Shawn Farquhar and more.
- Download colouring sheets and make arts and crafts with instructor and artist Laura Johnson.
- Re-create historic photos from the community archives courtesy of the Maple Ridge Museum and Archives.
- Go on a scavenger hunt with your family and discover the history of Maple Ridge.
- Hear stories from the Maple Ridge Public Library.

The Canada Day event is presented by the City of Maple Ridge with support from community partners and the Government of Canada. We wish to thank our funders, partners, community groups, local businesses, volunteers and Canada Day Committee for your contributions and involvement.

Check out the City's website for more information at <u>mapleridge.ca/1744</u>.