



FESTIVALS & EVENTS

APRIL

Surrey Festival of Dance



This spring festival is the largest amateur dance competition in North America with over 10,000 dancers crossing the stage each year. With over one month of festivities, each dance discipline will have selected placement winners, along with various trophies and scholarships. At the close of the festival, an “Honours Performance” takes place where the winners from the festival performs and are recognized for their achievements.

www.surreyfestival.com

JUNE

Surrey Children’s Festival



In June, children flock to this festival which encompasses three fun filled days of creative exploration through exhilarating performances, and fantastic free hands-on activities. This festival inspires young hearts and minds to greater possibilities and celebrate our rich and diverse cultural heritage through performing and visual arts experience. Ticketed performances are also available.

www.surreychildrensfestival.ca

APRIL

Annual Vaisakhi Parade

The annual Vaisakhi Parade is one of the largest events in Surrey and draws in 80,000 people from all over the Lower Mainland. Vaisakhi is one of the most important festivals in the Sikh calendar and celebrates both the Sikh New Year festival and the anniversary of the founding of the Khalsa in 1699. Locals can be seen giving away free food along the streets, sharing, helping each other, singing, walking in the parade, and truly embracing their culture. The Vaisakhi Celebration is in fact a community event and welcomes people of all backgrounds to participate.

www.surrey.ca

JUNE

Whalley Community Festival



This summer festival brings people of all ages and cultural backgrounds together for a day of entertainment. Residents of the community have a chance to meet new friends over live music and delicious food. As well, interactive activities are available for the kids to enjoy. This opportunity to celebrate Whalley is a must attend event for visitors and locals.

www.whalleyfestival.com

MAY

Cloverdale Rodeo & Country Fair



The Cloverdale Rodeo is the third largest rodeo in North America and it takes place every year over the Victoria Day long weekend. This event has attracted visitors from all over the world since 1938. The traditional exhibition bringing agricultural and horticultural exhibits, including arts and crafts, home baking and canning, needle work, photography, sewing and floriculture, to the fun family affair. Other festivities include live concerts and the Cloverdale Rodeo Parade.

www.cloverdalerodeo.com

JULY

Canada Day Celebration



July 1st is Canada’s Birthday and the City of Surrey is always ready to celebrate with the community. The event starts in the morning with display booths and interactive activities for the whole family. Bring the kids out for face painting and freebies. The food fairs are a great way to stay energized throughout the day. The celebration goes into the evening with fireworks to light up the summer night.

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JULY

Canada Cup



The Canada Cup is an International Women's Fastpitch tournament that takes place at the beginning of July. At the centre of it all will be many of the best in the world of women's fastpitch competing on the diamonds at Softball City for the coveted Canada Cup. Canada Cup fans have been treated throughout the years to exciting, intense championship competition. If you love watching sports, you will have to attend this event.

www.canadacup.com

AUGUST

Blueberry Festival



This annual festival beats the summer blues by eating them! Come and learn more about the wonderful blueberry, why it is so versatile, tasty and good for you! The event includes blueberry exhibits, taste testing, recipes, contests and much more. It is a splendid way to spend a hot summer day with family and friends.

www.cloverdalebia.com

OCTOBER

Surrey International Writer's Conference



SiWC.ca

This annual conference features some of the brightest stars, both local and international, working in the publishing industry today. During the conference, there will be workshops to choose from along with keynote speakers, writing contests, and a chance to discuss your work with published authors, editors, and agents.

www.siwc.ca

DECEMBER

Surrey's Santa Parade of Lights



To get yourself into the festive Christmas season, attendance at the Surrey's Santa Parade of Lights is a must. Join local residents in watching the beautifully lit Christmas floats go through downtown Cloverdale along with Santa and his little helpers. The night finishes with the lighting of the town Christmas tree.

www.cloverdalebia.com

FEBRUARY

Envision Jazz Festival

Presented by the Surrey School District, this annual jazz festival celebrates musical excellence and showcases teamwork as well as individual achievement in this form of expression. Featuring jazz bands, vocal jazz ensembles, and professional jazz performers, this festival encourages students to strive for their own musical goals. Adjudicators take part in the festival and provide the students with an opportunity to grow and excel. Annual awards and scholarships are also presented to recognize outstanding students and musical performances. Bring the family and enjoy an entire day celebrating jazz music and student achievement.

www.envisionjazzfestival.sd36.bc.ca

If you would like more details regarding any of the events that have been listed here, please check the events calendar on the Surrey Tourism website at www.surreytourism.ca/event_calendar.html or call the Visitor Centre at 604-581-1415 or 1-877-581-1415.



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