

NEWS RELEASE

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Luminous Paths: Nanaimo's 150 & Beyond

The City of Nanaimo invites all to experience Luminous Paths, a celebration of light, art, and community

Summary

The City of Nanaimo invites all to join us on January 22, 2025 from 5-9 p.m. at Maffeo Sutton Park for the opening of Luminous Paths: Nanaimo's 150 & Beyond. This free, month-long winter art festival is a celebration of light, art, land and community. Temporary light-based art installations will illuminate and transform the park's public space into something new; an interactive experience that ignites imagination, inspiring hope and excitement for the future of our community.

January 22 was the date of the first City Council meeting 150 years ago for the newly incorporated City of Nanaimo. To mark that significant date, the Luminous Paths opening event will feature food trucks, children's crafts, interactive community booths, live music, dance and light performances. Illuminated art installations will be on display in identified public spaces, encouraging visitors to explore the park and community spaces. Artists featured will include bailey macabre, David Martinello, Jenny Smith, Mauro Dalla Costa and Monkey C Interactive.

The art installations will remain on display in Maffeo Sutton Park until the closing event on February 17th (Family Day) from 4–8 p.m. at Maffeo Sutton Park.

For more information on Luminous Paths: Nanaimo's 150 & Beyond including additional information on artists behind the art installations, visit the [City's website](#)

This event is funded (in part) by the Government of Canada, through the Canadian Heritage Building Communities through Arts and Heritage grant.

Strategic Link: Recognizing 150 years as a corporation through art supports Council's commitment to good governance and the social well-being of our community.

Key Points

- The City of Nanaimo invites all to join us on January 22, 2025 from 5-9 p.m. at Maffeo Sutton Park for the opening of Luminous Paths: Nanaimo's 150 & Beyond, a free winter art festival that is a celebration of light, art, land and community.
- January 22 was the date of the first City Council meeting 150 years ago for the newly incorporated City of Nanaimo. To mark that significant date, the Luminous Paths opening event will feature food trucks, children's crafts, interactive community booths, live music, dance and light performances.
- Art installations will remain in the park until the closing event on February 17th (Family Day) 4 – 8pm at Maffeo Sutton Park.

Quotes

"Nanaimo has a very bright future ahead, so it seems fitting to mark the City's 150 years of incorporation with light. I warmly invite all to join us for Luminous Paths: Nanaimo's 150 & Beyond, an imaginative festival bringing light and inspiration to our city during the darkness of winter."

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Mayor
City of Nanaimo

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