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of British Columbia

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OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Events all year!

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WELCOME!

The Passport to Nature was designed to connect TLC members, donors, and the public with nature. This program has online and in-person events at various locations across B.C. throughout the year. To make the most of your Passport, here are *five* basic steps to get involved:

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PLAN your next adventure.
Read this booklet for event info.

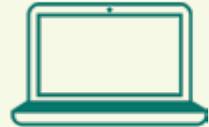


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REGISTER online at
www.conservancy.bc.ca/passport
or call 250-479-8053. Access
details will be found in your
email confirmation.

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ATTEND! Online or in-person,
join naturalists from a variety
of backgrounds to learn
more about biodiversity!



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SHARE your experience with
friends & use #PassportToNature
on your social media updates.

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SIGN UP as a TLC Member
to get involved with The Land
Conservancy of B.C.

This Passport to Nature is brought to you by **The Land Conservancy of B.C.**

Want to learn more and get involved with protecting nature in your area? Reach out to us at membership@conservancy.bc.ca, (250) 479-8053 or find us online:



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Passport to
ABKHAZI GARDEN



**April 18
to
May 19**

**Garden open 7
days/week!**

Rhododendron Month

Abkhazi Garden, 1964 Fairfield Road, Victoria

**Presented by Abkhazi Garden Head Gardener,
Jacqui Paulson, and Abkhazi Volunteers**

Visit Abkhazi Garden during its most spectacular season! Captivate your senses with fragrant and vibrant blooms as you promenade among the garden's 100+ year old rhododendrons, azaleas, magnolia trees, and other unique florals. 'Rhodo' month is the perfect time to capture the picturesque scenery in the garden that love built.

**Abkhazi garden is open Monday to Sunday from
11 a.m. to 5 p.m (last entry at 4 p.m.). Visit
www.conservancy.bc.ca/abkhazi for holiday hours.
Admission is by donation.**

Passport to
AYUM CREEK



Park Restoration

**Ayum Creek Regional Park,
Sooke**

*Registration required (see page 1
for registration details).*

**Sunday,
April 27
from 9:45 a.m.
to 1 p.m.**

**Presented by Maya Irwin, TLC Covenant Coordinator,
with the Greater Victoria Green Team, HAT, and CRD**

Join TLC and the Greater Victoria Green Team to restore Ayum Creek Regional Park's biodiversity. Contribute to TLC's 5+ year periwinkle eradication project and remove invasives like English ivy, English holly, and spurge-laurel from the forest. Volunteers of all ages and abilities welcome!

Tools, gloves, and snacks will be provided!



**TD Friends of the
Environment
Foundation**



**This event was generously supported by TD Friends of the Environment Foundation
and is hosted in collaboration with the Greater Victoria Green Team.**

Passport to
ABKHAZI GARDEN



Spring Plant Sale

Abkhazi Garden, 1964 Fairfield Road

Presented by Head Gardener, Jacqui Paulson, and Abkhazi Garden Volunteers

Lost some plants over the winter? We've got your replacements! Come and buy interesting plants, most grown at the garden.

Our head gardener, Jacqui Paulson and Master Gardeners of Victoria will be on hand to answer your garden questions. Visit our garden in peak bloom and learn about the history of this exquisite heritage garden created by Prince Nicolas and Princess Peggy Abkhazi. Proceeds of the plant sale go to the maintenance of this heritage garden.

**April
26 & 27
from 11 a.m.
to 4 p.m.**



**Become a TLC Member for
as little as \$3 per month at
www.conservancy.bc.ca**

Passport to
FORT SHEPHERD



**Saturday,
May 10
from 1 p.m.
to 5 p.m.**

Critter Day

**Beaver Creek Provincial Park
8801- BC-22A, Trail**

**Presented by Frankie Iwachow,
TLC's Environmental Technician and Land Manager**

Slither down to Beaver Creek Provincial Park for free, family-friendly fun! Try our 'bone'-ified mix & match game, spin the trivia wheel to test your knowledge about the special ecosystems in the Trail and Pend d'Oreille region, get artsy at Fort Shepherd colouring station, and more when you visit the TLC table at Critter Day.



Critter Day is co-hosted by the Kootenay Conservation Program, the Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program, and the Trail Wildlife Association with support from the Province of B.C., Teck Trail Operations, FortisBC, and Silver City Days.

Passport to
**HERITAGE FOREST OF
QUALICUM BEACH**

Walking Among Giants

Heritage Forest of Qualicum Beach

Presented by Frankie Iwachow, Tom Whitfield, President of the Brown Property Preservation Society, and the Town of Qualicum Beach

Registration required (see page 1 for registration details)

Join us for a guided walk through the Heritage Forest of Qualicum Beach led by knowledgeable naturalist, Tom Whitfield who will share insights into its rich ecological and cultural significance. Discover how towering centuries-old trees support public health and well-being while learning about the dedicated community efforts that saved this forest from destruction. This immersive tour highlights the deep connection between nature, heritage, and conservation, offering a meaningful experience for all who cherish the outdoors.

TOWN OF
QUALICUM BEACH

The Heritage Forest is proudly managed by the Town of Qualicum Beach in consultation with TLC and the Brown Property Preservation Society.



**Sunday,
June 8 from
10 a.m. to
1 p.m.**



Passport to
NATURAL TEXTILES



**Friday,
July 25 from
10 a.m. to
12 p.m.**

Cedar Weaving Workshop

**The Aunty Collective Studio
2620 Rock Bay Ave, Upper Suite
Victoria, B.C.**

Presented by Laura Manson, the Aunty Collective

Registration required (see page 1 for registration details).

Learn about the textile properties and the cultural significance of one of B.C.'s most iconic coastal trees, the western red cedar. Tla-o-qui-aht artist and workshop instructor, Laura Manson, will guide you on how to prepare and weave cedar bark into a decorative rose.



The Aunty Collective Indigenous Creative Practice Hub is a host gallery, studio, rental and retail space that aims to create an accessible commerce platform for Indigenous peoples and a place for all to access authentic Indigenous works. Learn more about artist and workshop host, Laura Manson: <https://auntycollective.com/pages/laura-manson>

Passport to **LEGACY & NATURE**

Natural Intelligence: How Nature Plans for Future Generations



**VIDEO
available
August 13**

**Video Presented by Lisa Cross,
TLC's Donor Relations Manager**

Dive into the stories of TLC's visionary legacy donors, discover how nature prepares itself for the future, and explore the vital role legacy giving plays in the protection of B.C.'s natural spaces, for now and for generations to come.

Register to receive a direct link to the video!

**WILL
POWER**

The average Canadian

\$981,816 estate

1% in a Will

\$9818 donation

Legacy giving made easy! Learn how to leave a charitable gift to TLC in your Will with webinars, and financial and writing tools from our partners at *WillPower*.

Passport to
ABKHAZI GARDEN



**Sunday,
September 7
from 11 a.m. to
4 p.m.**

**25th Anniversary Open
House, Grandparents Day
and Fall Plant Sale**

Abkhazi Garden, 1964 Fairfield Road, Victoria

**Presented by Head Gardener, Jacqui Paulson, and
Abkhazi Garden Volunteers**

Spend time with your grandchildren in the “Garden that Love Built”, play lawn games and shop at our Fall Plant Sale. We will have a variety of bulbs, plants and hand carved wooden bowls for sale. Our head gardener, Jacqui, will be onsite to answer any of your horticultural questions. Pick up free copies of the Abkhazi Garden Kid’s Activity Book and enter the ‘Afternoon Tea for Two’ draw before you leave.

Free admission to the garden all day!

Passport to
**TLC's 2025 ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING**



**Saturday,
September 27
from 1 p.m.
to 4 p.m.**

Annual General Meeting

**Presented by TLC Staff & Board
ONLINE (Zoom videoconference)**

Registration Required (see page 1 for registration details)

Hear from our Board of Directors and staff, and learn about TLC's latest programs and projects during the 2025 virtual Annual General Meeting. Please RSVP in advance to receive the Zoom link to your email.

For those unable to attend, TLC's Annual Report and Financial Statements will be available in September on our website or in hard copy by request to membership@conservancy.bc.ca



2025 - 2029

TLC Strategic Plan

Learn about TLC's 5-year goals and objectives in our latest Strategic Plan. View the plan on our website at www.conservancy.bc.ca/strategic-plan or contact us at 1-877-485-2422 or membership@conservancy.bc.ca for a hard copy.

Passport to
BLINKINSOP VALLEY



Restoration at TLC's Alston-Stewart Estate

Presented by Michelle Thompson,
Frankie Iwachow, and the Greater
Victoria Green Team

**Saturday,
October 4
from 9:45 a.m.
to 1 p.m.**

Registration required (see page 1 for registration details).

Join TLC and the Greater Victoria Green Team for invasive species removal at TLC's Alston-Stewart properties in the Blenkinsop Valley. Volunteers of all ages and abilities welcome. Tools, gloves, and snacks will be provided!

Bike to volunteer! This event's location is along the beautiful Lochside Trail in the Blenkinsop Valley.



We thank the Greater Victoria Green Team for their collaboration in our third year of restoration events at Alston-Stewart.

Passport to
KINGDOM OF FUNGI

Fungi ID Walk

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John Dean Provincial Park

Registration required (see page 1 for registration details).

Presented by TLC's Torrey Archer-Anderson with Elora Adamson Andy MacKinnon, and Kem Luther and the Friends of John Dean Park Society



**Saturday,
November 8
from 10 a.m.
to 12 p.m.**

Join local fungi experts for a fun, family-friendly, fungal foray. As we gently stroll, we will scout high up in tree branches and low down under rotting logs for colourful conks, luscious lichens, jigging jelly fungi, and slippery slime-molds. Learn to identify the Pacific Northwest's funky fungi through smell, sight, touch, and more!

Please register to ensure you receive directions and event details!



Passport to
ABKHAZI GARDEN



**11 a.m. to
3:30 p.m.
December
13-14 & 20-21**

Festive Market

**Abkhazi Garden
1964 Fairfield Road, Victoria**

**Presented by Head Gardener, Jacqui Paulson, and
Abkhazi Garden Volunteers**

Give the gift of green this holiday season! From volunteer-crafted holiday swags, table centres, culinary wreaths, to hand crafted wooden bowls, plants and birdseed kits, there's something for everyone on your list. Enjoy a stroll around the winter garden that was created by Prince and Princess Abkhazi.

**Admission is by donation. View Abkhazi Garden's
holiday hours at www.conservancy.bc.ca/abkhazi**



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Phone: _____

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or make your gift by calling 1-877-485-2422.

