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Little Folks, Big Fun: A magical place for children of all ages at the Vancouver Folk Music Festival at Little Folks Village!

June 26th 2025, VANCOUVER, B.C. Traditional territory of the x^wməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations – This summer, the Vancouver Folk Music Festival invites families to step into a world of creativity and wonder at the Little Folks Village, located on the East side of lyálmexw / ʔəyalməxw Jericho Beach Park just north of the Main Gate. Open Saturday July 19 & Sunday July 20 from 10am to 5pm, kids of all ages are invited to explore this vibrant and playful space, where creativity and imaginations run wild!

From **parachute play to arts and crafts**, Little Folks Village is where live musical performances lift your spirit, and captivating stories touch your heart!

Children 12 and under are FREE (must be accompanied by an adult.)

A Weekend Packed with Family Fun

On **Saturday**, families can enjoy roving stilt performances and juggling with **Redbird & Friends**, interactive storytelling and costume parades inside the magical **Nylon Zoo dragon**. Indigenous storytelling by the beloved Haida storyteller **Kung Jaadee** is sure to delight audiences of all ages. The day also features a marimba ensemble performance by youth from **Saint James Music Academy**.

Sunday keeps the magic going! Redbird & Friends are back elevating the fun, with more high-flying stilt-walking and circus antics. The **Nylon Zoo** returns with storytelling inside the inflatable dragon, followed by an energetic costume parade. A special performance by students from the **Sarah McLachlan School of Music** will sprinkle magic and rhythm through the air, with a unique opportunity for the little folks to try the marimbas themselves!

Throughout the weekend, little ones can unleash their creativity with a wide array of fun and engaging materials at the **Creation Station**. Explore exciting art activities with **Art Vancouver** and the **Green Apple Art Center**. Come and enjoy the Festival weekend where imagination runs wild and families come together through music, movement, and wonder.

SATURDAY, July 19

- 10:00AM Redbird & Friends roving stilt performances learn stilting and juggling
- 11:00AM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 11:30AM Kung Jaadee Indigenous storytelling
- 1:00PM Saint James Music Academy marimba ensemble
- 1:30PM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 2:30PM Kung Jaadee Indigenous storytelling
- 3:30PM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 4:00PM Kung Jaadee Indigenous storytelling
- 4:30PM Redbird & Friends roving stilt performances learn stilting and juggling

SUNDAY, July 20

- 10:30AM Redbird & Friends roving stilt performances learn stilting and juggling
- 11:00AM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 12:00PM Sarah McLachlan School of Music student marimba ensemble
- 12:45PM Audience invited to play the marimbas
- 2:00PM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 4:00PM Nylon Zoo storytelling & costume parade
- 4:30PM Redbird & Friends roving stilt performances learn stilting and juggling

Weekend Passes and Single Day Tickets are available to purchase now. Book tickets through the website or contact the **Festival Box Office at 604.602.9798**, ext. 302 between 10am and 4pm or boxoffice@thefestival.bc.ca. Children 12 and under are FREE! All tickets are subject to taxes and fees.

TICKET TYPE	ADULT	65 plus	STUDENT with ID	YOUTH (13-19)
WEEKEND PASS	\$250	\$220	\$165	\$165
FRIDAY	\$85	\$70	\$45	\$45
SATURDAY	\$150	\$125	\$90	\$90
SUNDAY	\$150	\$125	\$90	\$90

For full festival information visit the VANCOUVER FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL website.

ABOUT THE <u>VANCOUVER FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL</u>

The Vancouver Folk Music Festival is a Canadian cultural institution. It is a unique community-based celebration internationally renowned for presenting the finest traditional and contemporary folk and roots music from around the world. Now in its 48th year, the Festival continues to be one of the city's most beloved, enjoyed, and respected events. Each year, the Festival draws tens of thousands of enthusiastic attendees to experience the music and culture of more than 40 international, national, and local acts. The Vancouver Folk Music Festival is held at Iỷálmexw / ʔəỷalməxw Jericho Beach Park on the unceded and ancestral territory of the hənqəminəm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, the xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətal (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.