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STANLEY PARK ECOLOGY SOCIETY

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Stanley Park Celebrates “Earth Month” ***Stanley Park Ecology Society’s Earth Day activities span April***

Vancouver, BC – April 22nd is Earth Day, but Stanley Park Ecology Society is hosting a variety of “w-earthy” month-long activities to inspire people to take action for our local and global environments. Designed with COVID-19 safety in mind, Earth Month activities bring participants online, outside and into Stanley Park with individual or collective actions to support our planet.

SPES is offering five free webinars surveying the actions of people making a difference locally and nationally – touching on environmental rights across Canada, climate change impacts in Vancouver, Indigenous law and ecosystem protection, youth activism and youth stewardship projects. “There are so many ways to look at how to be a steward and what that means to different people and groups. This year, to honour Earth Day, we are excited to bring together various perspectives and experiences through a webinar series, showcasing what it means to care of the earth and those that rely on it,” says Erin Leckie, SPES Education Manager. Webinar titles include “The Role of Indigenous Ways in Community and Ecosystem Health” (April 14th), “Action for Environmental Rights and Racism” (April 15th), “Action for Climate” (April 28th).

For those wanting to get outdoors and make a difference, SPES is inviting locals to bring their bubble to Stanley Park and join the SPES Earth Month BioBlitz! Community scientists can help update the Stanley Park [Life List](#) by taking photos of plant and animal species in Stanley Park and submitting them to [iNaturalist](#). Follow SPES on Instagram every Friday (#SPESEarthMonth) for

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carnivorous sundew plants can be spotted in the hidden Beaver Lake Bog, a rare remnant of bog wetland left in the city. Visit the Stanley Park Nature House to view a bit of living bog and support wetland conservation in Stanley Park with SPES's "[#KeepWetlandsWell](#)" pledge.

For more information about the free webinars, and to register for other Earth Month programs, visit <https://stanleyparkecology.ca/>

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About Stanley Park Ecology Society

Founded in 1988, the non-profit Stanley Park Ecology Society (SPES) promotes awareness of and respect for the natural world through collaborative leadership in environmental education, research, and conservation in Stanley Park.

As a leading Park Partner of Vancouver Park Board, SPES operates the Stanley Park Nature House on Lost Lagoon, delivers popular school and public education programs, and champions habitat enhancement and urban wildlife projects in Stanley Park.

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We gratefully acknowledge that the land on which we gather and help steward is the unceded and traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, and Səlilwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nation. Since time immemorial, Coast Salish peoples have lived reciprocally with the land, harvesting and cultivating foods and medicines and practicing ceremony. The abundance of these lands and waters, which enables us to live, work, and play here today, is a result of the past and on-going stewardship and advocacy of the Coast Salish peoples.

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