52nd Annual CPTA National Workshop
Fairmont Empress Hotel, Victoria BC

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“Winning Ways – Network, Negotiate, Mediate or Litigate to Assessment Success”

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Victoria 2018
12 Must-See Attractions in Victoria

At the southern tip of Vancouver Island, Victoria is sheltered by mountains and influenced by the warm North Pacific current - creating the mildest climate in the whole of Canada. Parks and gardens in this pretty city are festooned with foliage and flowers throughout the year. Only the narrow Juan de Fuca Strait separates this (the largest island on North America's Pacific coast) from the USA's Olympic Peninsula with its often snow-covered peaks.

The capital of British Columbia, Victoria is quiet, skyscraper-free and largely administrative and residential. To these charms is added a downtown area set around the beautiful Inner Harbour, which retains its Victorian heritage buildings and atmosphere. In the Empress Hotel, people still gather for afternoon tea throughout the day.

Beacon Hill Park
Green and well-tended, Beacon Hill Park is a favorite recreation area close to the town center. From its highest point, there are lovely views across Juan de Fuca Strait to the snowy peaks of the Olympic Peninsula. A milestone on the southwest edge of the park marks the western end of the Trans-Canada Highway.
100 Cook St., Victoria • www.beaconhillpark.com

Butchart Gardens
This 20-hectare horticultural tour de force without rival in Canada is just 22 km north on Hwy 17A at Brentwood Bay. The Italian garden, rose garden, Japanese garden, and sunken garden are among the loveliest in this fragrant garden situated in a former limestone quarry. Open spaces among the pools, fountains, and the many exotic plants are used for artistic and musical performances.
800 Benvenuto Ave, Brentwood Bay • www.butchartgardens.com

Chinatown
Adjoining the Old Town is Victoria's small, but charming, Chinatown. Entered through a conspicuous gate, it occupies just two blocks close to Government Street and Fisgard Street. A century ago, 8000 people lived in the Chinese quarter. In 1971, it became a designated historic district. One of the favorite sightseeing stops is the exceedingly narrow Fan Tan Alley.

Craigdarroch Castle
Victoria's fairy-tale mansion is considered a gem of Victorian architecture, commissioned by immigrant Scottish entrepreneur Robert Dunsmuir, for his wife in the 1880s. Elegant Rockland centers on Rockland Avenue, which is lined with grand heritage homes including Government House - the official residence of Her Majesty's representative in British Columbia in this affluent area of Victoria. The house itself is closed to the public but the beautifully kept gardens are a delight.
1050 Joan Crescent, Victoria • http://the-castle.ca

Empress Hotel
Built in 1908 for Canadian Pacific, like the Château Frontenac in Québec City, the Fairmont Empress Hotel on the Inner Harbour is one of Victoria's best-loved landmarks. Architect Francis M. Rattenbury designed the Empress and entering the vast lobby of this luxurious hotel is like journeying back in time to before the First World War. Afternoon tea, served with great style, is an experience for any visitor. An extension on the north side of the Empress Hotel houses a collection of several dozen scenes in miniature at Miniature World. The models of historical events, castles, and dollhouses captivate young and old alike.
721 Government St, Victoria • www.fairmont.com/empress-victoria

Fort Rodd Hill National Historic Site
The gun batteries at Fort Rodd Hill National Historic Site, about 13 km west of Victoria, used to guard Esquimalt Harbour, once a British naval base. The guns were in service from 1895 to 1956. Today, the well-preserved fortress can be visited. Nearby, the point's Fisgard Lighthouse was the first on the west coast of Canada and is a definitive local landmark.
603 Fort Rodd Hill Rd • www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/bc/fortroddhill/index.aspx

Hatley Park National Historic Site
Hatley Park National Historic Site consists of a castle built in 1908 by former British Columbia Premier and coal baron, James Dunsmuir, and an Edwardian estate with Japanese, Italian, and rose gardens. Visitors can choose to walk through the gardens or take a guided tour of the castle - now the base of Royal Roads University.
2005 Sooke Rd, Victoria • www.hatleypark.ca

Maritime Museum of British Columbia
The former Court House (1869) in Bastion Square is now the Maritime Museum of British Columbia, displaying a host of items from the age of sail. A centerpiece to the museum is the "Tilikum", a large Indian canoe in which, at the beginning of the century, some fearless souls voyaged to England. Also commemorated – appropriately enough in the old Court House – is...
the legendary Richard Matthew Begbie, whose administration of justice at the end of the 19th century led to his being christened “the Hanging Judge.”

Surrounding Bastion Square are the principal thoroughfares of Victoria’s Old Town – Wharf, Government and Douglas Streets running north-south, and Johnson, Yates and Fort Streets crossing them. A lovely area to stroll, Old Town boasts some historic buildings and old-fashioned shops such as Roger’s Chocolate and the tobacconist E.A. Morris. 28 Bastion Square, Victoria  •  http://lmmbc.bc.ca

Parliament Buildings
Dominated on the south side of the Inner Harbour is the imposing seat of British Columbia’s provincial government, the Parliament Buildings. Designed by Yorkshire architect Francis M. Rattenbury and erected in 1897, the imposing stone buildings have neat, orderly gardens and are very attractive in appearance – especially in the evening when lit by festoons of lights. Perched high above the massive dome is a gilded statue of Captain George Vancouver (1757-98), who accomplished the first circumnavigation of Vancouver Island. Figures of famous personalities from the province embellish the façade. A large statue of Queen Victoria surveys the Inner Harbour from the terrace. Tours of the town center by horse-drawn carriage leave from nearby. 501 Belleville St, Victoria

Royal British Columbia Museum

British Columbia’s provincial museum is situated midway between the Parliament Buildings and the Fairmont Empress Hotel. It is by far the best museum of natural and cultural history in Canada, with many three-dimensional displays offering a feast of sights, smells, and sounds. Walk through a rainforest, view animals on West Coast beaches and in tidal wetlands, sit among aboriginal ceremonial poles and masks, walk through a big house, and learn of First Nations people’s struggles after European settlement. Other interactive features include a replica HMS Discovery, the ship that brought Captain Vancouver to these shores, and a street of shops in Old Town. Outside, Thunderbird Park is home to traditionally carved memorial and house poles. Nearby, the small mid-19th century, Helmcken House is the oldest residence in British Columbia still standing on its original site. The house once belonged to J.S. Helmcken, a practicing doctor and local politician. He campaigned vigorously for the then British colony of Victoria and British Columbia to join the newly established confederation of Canada. 675 Belleville Street, Victoria  •  http://royalbcmuseum.bc.ca

Victoria Bug Zoo

Enter a world of insects and spiders at the Victoria Bug Zoo. The facility has a range of bugs from all over the world, many of which visitors can hold. The critter-focused attraction is located near Victoria’s Inner Harbour. 631 Courtney St, Victoria  •  www.victoriabugzoo.ca

Victoria Butterfly Gardens

Located near Butchart Gardens, the Victoria Butterfly Gardens are indoor tropical gardens designed to house up to 75 species of exotic butterflies and moths, plus some birds, fish, and reptiles. An interesting indoor landscape incorporates waterfalls, trees, and flowers. 1461 Benvenuto Ave, Central Saanich  •  www.butterflygardens.com

Tourism Information

www.tourismvictoria.com/
Victoria Visitor Centre – 812 Wharf Street Victoria, B.C. V8W 1T3
250-953-2033  •  1-800-663-3883  •  info@tourismvictoria.com

There will not be a pre-Workshop Golf Tournament, but...

Here are several options:

Golf Vancouver Island

Various Locations  •  877.393.6985
www.golfvancouverisland.ca/
Contact: Patrick Meagher
Email: info@golfvancouverisland.ca
GOLF PACKAGES AND TEE TIMES AVAILABLE – 13 Vancouver Island golf courses, accommodation, flights, ferry & rental car reservations and après golf activities.

Cedar Hill Golf Course

1400 Derby Rd, Victoria, V8P 1T1
(250) 475-7150
www.saanich.ca/EN/main/parks-recreation-culture/cedar-hill-golf-course.html
Contact: Geoff Parker
Email: geoff.parker@saanich.ca
Full facility 18 hole course, minutes from downtown with panoramic views of Victoria & Olympic Mountains.

Golf Central

1234 S Wharf St., Victoria V8W 3H9
(250) 380-4653
www.golfcentralvictoria.com/
Contact: Tyler Hadfield
Phone: (250) 380-4653
Email: tyler@golfcentralvictoria.com
Golf shuttle, last minute specials, tee times, golf packages, convention golf groups, working with all public and private courses.

Gorge Vale Golf Club

1005 Craigflower Road Victoria V9A 2X9  •  (250) 383-6451
www.gorgevalegolf.com
Contact: Chris Hjelm
Email: office@gorgevalegolf.com
Semi-private golf club with pro shop, minutes from the Inner Harbour. Club and locker rentals.

Olympic View Golf Course

643 Latoria Road, Victoria, BC V9C 3A3  •  (250) 474-3673
www.golfbc.com/courses/olympic_view
Contact: Randy Frank
Email: rfrank@golfbc.com
20 minutes from Victoria, with lessons, restaurant, wildlife sittings, surrounded by rugged topography.

The Westin Bear Mountain Golf Resort & Spa

1999 Country Club Way, Victoria, V9B 6R3  •  (250) 391-7160
https://bearmountain.ca/
Contact: Michelle Nuyten
Email: reservations@westinbearmountain.com
36-holes of Nicklaus Design golf.
Companion Program

A companion tour has not been organized this year – please see tourist information on page 2 & 3. You can also visit the hotel concierge desk for list of activities. This year’s Companion Program consists of the Sunday Night Welcoming Reception, Monday night’s Pub Event, Tuesday’s Gala Dinner & Entertainment and Wednesday’s traditional Soup and Sandwich luncheon.

Saturday, September 29

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
Upper Lobby Foyer  
Registration Desk Open

Sunday, September 30

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
Palm Court  
Registration Desk Open

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Shaughnessy Ballroom  
Welcoming Reception – Admittance by badge. Cash Bar – Cocktails & Hors d’oeuvres only.

Monday, October 1

8:00 am - 10:00 am  
Palm Court  
Registration Desk Open

8:00 am  
Shaughnessy Ballroom  
Refreshments & Light Breakfast for Delegates only – Admittance by badge.

8:30 am - 9:00 am  
Crystal Ballroom  
Opening Ceremonies

- Welcome from CPTA President – Ms. Angie DaCosta
- Introduction of CPTA Executive & Board of Directors
- Opening Remarks – Mr. Michael Crosbie, CPTA Executive V.P. and Workshop Chair
- Welcome from Mayor of Victoria – Ms. Lisa Helps
- Welcome from Songhees First Nation

Monday Evening, October 1

5:30 pm  
Sticky Wicket & Clubhouse, Strathcona Hotel, 919 Douglas Street, Victoria – 250.383.7137 where drinks, appetizers & buffet will be available.  
http://strathconahotel.com/venue/sticky-wicket/  
http://strathconahotel.com/venue/clubhouse/

Tuesday, October 2

8:00 am - 10:00 am  
Palm Court  
Registration Desk Open

8:00 am  
Shaughnessy Ballroom  
Refreshments & Light Breakfast for Delegates only – Admittance by badge.

Tuesday Evening, October 2

6:00 pm  
Lobby Lounge  
Cash Bar Reception - Admittance by badge.

7:00 pm  
Palm Court & Crystal Ballroom  
Gala Dinner & Entertainment - Admittance by badge.  
Entertainment by “Roman Danylo – Stand-up & Improv Comedy”

Wednesday, September 27

12:00 pm  
Shaughnessy Ballroom  
Soup & Sandwich Buffet - Admittance by badge.

For Delegates and Registered Companions only.

Workshop Recommended Dress

Casual business attire is accepted throughout the Workshop with the exception of the President’s Reception on Sunday evening where “smart casual” (no jeans, shorts, etc.) is acceptable.

The sit-down Gala Dinner Tuesday evening requires cocktail attire, but you are all encouraged to wear fascinators, lacy gloves, bowler or top hats, bow ties, etc.