



PLAYLAND NIGHTS RETURNS: PNE LAUNCHES MORE FLEXIBLE, AFFORDABLE 2026 SEASON

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VANCOUVER, BC – Summer at Playland is getting a glow-up! Opening for the 2026 season on May 16th, Playland will offer more options for shorter visits, better value, and a wider range of experiences across the summer, including back by popular demand – opening weekend special programming *Playland Unlocked* featuring live DJ's, special games and great prizes!

Adults-Only Playland Nights Return!

The PNE, in partnership with Feaster Vancouver, is bringing back the fan-favourite Playland Nights. For three Saturdays in June (June 13, 20, and 27), Playland will once again transform into an adults-only evening experience. Running from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., each of the three nights will feature a distinct theme—ranging from wine and food pairings to cocktail festivals and craft beer experiences—paired with live music, curated food offerings, and full access to rides. The result is a series of immersive, adults-only events that blend the energy of Playland with Vancouver's food and beverage culture.

More ways to experience Playland:

The PNE is introducing new options aimed at improving access and value for guests:

- **Enhanced Season Pass:** A refreshed lineup offers greater flexibility, added perks, and stronger overall value, giving guests more ways to enjoy both Playland and the PNE Fair throughout the summer.
- **Limited-Time Pre-Season Pricing:** Guests who purchase online before May 8 can take advantage of reduced pricing, with Fun Passes starting at \$30.35 and Thrill Passes at \$40.38—offering meaningful savings for families planning ahead.
- **Evening Passes for Flexible Visits:** Available every Friday and Saturday in July and August (except event nights), evening passes provide access from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for just \$30, creating a convenient and cost-effective option for families and visitors.

Playland will operate weekends in May and June from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Wednesday through Sunday in July and August from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with extended evening hours on select nights.

For more information and tickets, visit: www.PNE.ca/playland.

Follow for updates and to be the first to learn about more exciting Playland theme days coming this season at:

Instagram: @pne_playland

Twitter: @PNE_Playland

About the PNE:

Owned by the City of Vancouver, the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is a healthy and vibrant non-profit organization dedicated to delivering over 2 million visitors a year with memorable experiences through access to first-class cultural, music, sporting and family entertainment events, as well as access to public space for passive recreation. Founded in 1910, the PNE's home is Hastings Park, a multi-facility venue in Vancouver where the organization manages four activity streams: the annual PNE Fair, Playland Amusement Park, Park Care and Facility Maintenance and an expansive portfolio of year-round events. All revenues generated are invested back into park space, community programs and non-revenue generating educational and entertainment experiences.

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Playland Nights Event Details

June 13th – Playland Nights Wine Vikings Edition

Wine Vikings represents the next generation of wine discovery and community events, bringing together thoughtfully curated bottles from around the globe. Guided by industry pros, guests can explore unique and exciting wines while rediscovering old favourites.

Hosted at Playland, Wine Vikings is all about bringing the fun back into wine events. Have you discovered your new favourite Burgundy producer alongside a perfectly crafted slider from a chef pop up next to a vintage wooden rollercoaster? Well, now is your time.

It's an afternoon of wine and sliders, pairing bold flavours with great company, designed for sipping with friends, expanding your palate, and celebrating the excitement of wine culture.

Beverage Program: Wine

Food Program: Sliders (featuring 20 restaurants)

Music Style: EDM Golden Era Anthems

June 20th – Playland Nights Punchbowl Edition

Punchbowl is Vancouver's infamous summer cocktail and taco festival, celebrating creative drinks, live music, and tacos in every form. Classic and innovative brands shake up standout cocktails while guests snack, sip, and soak up the summer atmosphere.

In 2026, Punchbowl evolves into a more immersive experience, combining great music, food, and drink with the energy of Playland for a Saturday night like no other. Enjoy rides and games, discover your drink of the summer, and take in the sunset from the top of Atmosfear.

Beverage Program: Cocktails, Spirits and RTDs

Food Program: Tacos

Music Style: 2000s Summer Throwbacks

June 27th – Playland Nights VCBW Edition

VCBW (Vancouver Craft Beer Week) is the largest beer festival in BC, featuring hundreds of beers and ciders from dozens of breweries and drawing thousands of attendees each year. At the centre is Wing Fest, a showcase of Vancouver's best wings from across the city.

In 2026, VCBW transitions into a high energy takeover of Playland, creating a full festival experience. Guests can enjoy live music, rides, and entertainment while sampling beers and ciders from BC and beyond, alongside some of the city's best chef pop ups and food trucks.

Beverage Program: Craft Beer and Cider

Food Program: Wings

Music Style: Emo, Pop Punk, Indie Rock Classics

All events run from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Tickets: Early Bird \$55 | Regular \$75

About Feaster Festival & Events

Feaster Festival & Events creates some of North America's most exciting food and beverage experiences, bringing people together through unforgettable moments centered around culture, cuisine, and community.

From sun-soaked rosé day parties and lively Oktoberfest celebrations to curated whisky tastings and beyond, Feaster produces more than 25 events each year across 10+ cities in Canada and the United States—welcoming over 150,000 guests annually.