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Subject: [Master of Ceremonies - 2021 Remembrance Day Service](#)

Dear Mayor and Council,

The purpose of this e-mail is to invite members of Council to suggest names of individuals for the Master of Ceremonies role at this year's Remembrance Day Service at Victory Square.

The annual Remembrance Day Ceremony at Victory Square on November 11 has run continuously since 1924, is the second largest ceremony in Canada, and is broadcast live on national television. This ceremony is one of three city events with civic event status and receives City funds for sanitation, traffic control, policing, and event production such as audio/visual, tenting, seating and staff support.

The ceremony is planned and organized by the Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee, a community-based volunteer committee in place since the mid-1940's with a mandate to organize the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Victory Square on behalf of the citizens of Vancouver.

From 2003-2017, Cam Cathcart chaired the Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee, and from 2003-2020 was Master of Ceremonies of the ceremony. With Cam's sudden passing on June 5, 2021, the Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee is seeking suggestions and recommendations for a Master of Ceremonies to emcee this year's ceremony.

The skills, knowledge and experience required to fill the role of Master of Ceremonies includes exceptional public speaking skills, extensive historical knowledge of wars and conflicts involving Canada's military, extensive experience working with the media and on live television productions, and the ability to adhere to strict program timing that adheres to the protocols of the Remembrance Day service. The role of Master of Ceremonies is a volunteer role and does not receive any financial compensation. The Master of Ceremonies would be expected to attend Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee meetings and City operations meetings regarding the ceremony. It is estimated that the individual in this role will dedicate approximately 40-60 hours between September 2021 to November 11, 2021.

If you know someone who would be interested and a good fit for the Master of Ceremonies role, please pass along the suggested names and contact information to Bob Underhill, Chair of the Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee by August 13, 2021 for consideration. Bob's e-mail address is runder@telus.net. Please copy lesley.matthews@vancouver.ca.

Sincerely,
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