

From: **"Mochrie, Paul"**

To: **"Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"**

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Subject: Invitation: Rescheduled Komagata Maru Place honorary street name media/stakeholder event

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Dear Mayor and Council,

The **rescheduled** media/stakeholder unveiling of the new street signs for "Komagata Maru Place" will be held on Friday, February 9. The Mayor is confirmed to speak at the event, alongside the artist, and stakeholders from the South Asian Canadian community.

This event was originally scheduled for January but was postponed due to the snow event.

Event details are as follows:

**Date:** Friday, February 9

**Itinerary:**

9:30 am	Mayor, councillors, VIP stakeholders arrive
10:00 am	Media event begins
10:40 am	Event end and media interviews

**Location:** Vancouver Convention Centre – East Building  
999 Canada Place  
Parkview Terrace (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

**Speakers:** Mayor Ken Sim, artist Jag Nagra, invited speakers from the *Descendants of the Komagata Maru Society* and the *Khalsa Diwan Society*.

**About the project:** In May, Vancouver City Council announced that "Canada Place" would be given a secondary, honorary street name of "Komagata Maru Place." This decision - informed by community input and support - forms part of the City's ongoing efforts for cultural redress of historic discrimination against South Asian communities. On February 9, the four street signs, and street-level story boards, will be officially unveiled. Invited guests from the South Asian Canadian community will include members of the *Descendants of the Komagata Maru Society*, the *Khalsa Diwan Society*, *Punjabi Market Collective*, and City of Vancouver's *Historical Discrimination against People of South Asian Descent Community Advisory Group*.

The location is very easily accessible by public transit (Waterfront Station). Pay parking is also available at Canada Place. The event is fully indoors. Attendees may wish to walk outdoors before or after the event to see the signage in place.

The event will also be livestreamed for those unable to attend in person.

Please RSVP to Amber Sessions at [amber.sessions@vancouver.ca](mailto:amber.sessions@vancouver.ca) by end of day February 2.

Best,

Paul

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