From: "Mochrie, Paul"

To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"

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Subject: Invitation: "Home + Away" media and stakeholder ribbon cutting (July 15, 2024)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to invite you to the media and stakeholder ribbon-cutting event to celebrate <u>Home + Away</u>, a new public sculpture at Empire Field in Hastings Park. Deputy Mayor Klassen will be speaking at the event.

Event details are as follows:

Date: Monday, July 15, 2024

Time: 10 am

Location: Empire Field at Hastings Park

Directions & Parking:

- Park at the Empire Fields Parking Lot (Easy Park Pay Parking) off Hastings Street. <u>Click here for Google Map</u>
 <u>Directions to Empire Field Parking Lot</u>
- Walk to Empire Field. You will see Home + Away in the northwest corner of the field. Map

About the artwork:

A towering new public art installation called <u>Home + Away</u> is now open at Empire Field in Hastings Park. Designed by internationally celebrated Seattle artists, <u>Lead Pencil Studio</u>, the playful artwork echoes the historic structures that Hastings Park was once famous for, including the stands of Empire Stadium (1954-1993), and the magnificent, scaffolded ski run that graced the site in the 1950s. In addition to being visually striking, this artwork is intended to be sat on, climbed and experienced! It provides 16 rows of seating for up to 49 people and offers the exciting experience of height and views, as well as additional spectator seating at Empire Field. This work is another tangible example of the City's commitment to investing in arts & culture, as outlined in our 10 year arts & culture strategy, Culture | Shift.

Please RSVP to Lindsay Kreeft at Lindsay.Kreeft@vancouver.ca by July 11.

Best, Paul

Paul Mochrie (he/him)

City Manager City of Vancouver



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