

HAMILTON IN VANCOUVER

May 31, 2022 – 2 Days

Staying at the Inn at the Quay

Hamilton is a sung- and rapped-through musical written by Lin-Manuel Miranda about the life of American Founding Father, Alexander Hamilton. He was an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington's right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and was the new nation's first Treasury Secretary. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, *Hamilton* has achieved both critical acclaim and incredible box office success. Miranda has described *Hamilton* as "America then, as told by America now".

We are thrilled that *Hamilton* is returning to the west and will be presented at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre.

Activity Level: 1



3 Meals Included:

1 breakfast, 2 lunches

Fares per person:

\$770 double/twin; \$870 single; \$745 triple
Please add 5% GST.

Experience Points:

Earn 18 points from this tour.

Departure from: BC Interior



Hamilton at Paramount Theatre Seattle in 2018

ITINERARY

Day 1: Tuesday, May 31

We drive to **New Westminster** and stay overnight at the Inn at the Quay overlooking the Fraser River. Transportation is provided to downtown Vancouver tonight, and the curtain rises at 8 pm at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre for ***Hamilton***.

Meals included: Lunch

Accommodation: Inn at the Quay



Day 2: Wednesday, June 1

We visit **Burnaby Village Museum**, an open-air museum with 38 exhibits to explore, including 1920s homes, shops, a traditional schoolhouse, and a blacksmith shop. Lunch is included in the Ice Cream Parlour, then we head home.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

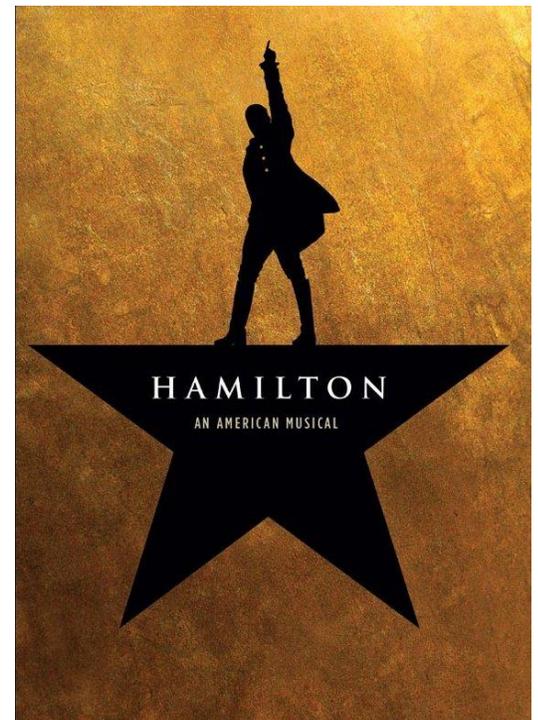


***HAMILTON* — A BROADWAY BLOCKBUSTER FINALLY COMING TO VANCOUVER**

Hamilton opened on Broadway in August 2015. It had a multimillion-dollar advance in ticket sales, reportedly taking in \$30 million before its official opening. It received a record-setting 16 Tony nominations, winning 11, including Best Musical. It also won the 2016 Grammy Award for Best Musical Theater Album and the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Most Broadway shows have been sold out since opening and tickets are usually gone months in advance. In November 2016, ***Hamilton*** broke the all-time record for the highest box office sales in a week at \$3.3 million. ***Hamilton*** played on Broadway until March 12, 2020 when Covid-19 closed most theatres, and it is scheduled to resume performances when theatres re-open.

Hamilton played for nearly four years in Chicago, and three years in London. Three touring shows have been mounted. It opened briefly in Toronto in March 2020 with advance sales of 250,000 tickets, but was forced to close due to Covid-19 and is now scheduled to resume in February 2023.

Wells Gray Tours ran one tour to Seattle to see ***Hamilton*** in 2018. Over 700 groups applied for tickets and only 50 (including Wells Gray) were approved to get seats. Our tour sold out in five days, and we begged the theatre for more seats, but could not get any more. Finally, ***Hamilton*** is returning to the west and will be presented at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. ***Hamilton*** was scheduled to perform in Vancouver in June and July 2021, but was postponed to 2022 due to Covid-19. We have excellent seating in Centre Orchestra, rows 16, 17, 18 and 19.



WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Coach transportation for 2 days
- 1 night at Inn at the Quay & room taxes
- *Hamilton* at Queen Elizabeth Theatre
- Burnaby Village Museum
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotel
- **3 meals:** 1 breakfast, 2 lunches

TOUR NOTES

- This tour does not stay in downtown Vancouver because hotel rates are exorbitant from mid-May through September, typically well over \$300 per night.



Activity Level 1: Light activity including short distances to walk such as to/from your theatre seat and around Burnaby Village Museum. The coach cannot carry a scooter or motorized wheelchair. If you are not able to participate in Activity Level 1, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide frequent assistance.

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$250 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due March 29, 2022. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Cancellation Policy: Up to November 12, 2021, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From November 13, 2021 to January 28, 2022 the cancellation charge is \$150 per person. From January 29 to March 29, the cancellation charge is \$250 per person (your deposit). From March 30 to April 29, the cancellation charge is 60% of the tour fare. After April 29, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes until departure.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Please contact us for details.

Food Allergies: You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy.

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Experience Points: This tour earns 18 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your points on tours longer than 3 days. You can accumulate enough points to earn a free tour (this tour eligible until March 29, 2022).

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