

## VANCOUVER SUMMER THEATRE ESCAPE

July 27, 2023 – 4 Days

*Includes 3 theatrical shows in Vancouver*

Enjoy this short get-away featuring 3 shows at Vancouver theatres. The first show is *Aladdin* at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre, a Disney extravaganza based on the fantasy story. Next is *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, a tribute to the great singer, at the Stanley Theatre. The 3<sup>rd</sup> show is *Million Dollar Quartet* about the 1956 gathering of Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley, held at the Granville Island Stage. The tour stays 3 nights at the Inn at the Quay in New Westminster. In between the shows, we take a harbour cruise, visit Burnaby Heritage Village, and shop at Granville Island.

This is a terrific long weekend full of entertainment!

Activity Level: 1



4 Meals Included:

3 breakfasts, 1 dinner

Fares per person:

\$1,825 double/twin; \$2,150 single; \$1,740 triple  
Please add 5% GST.

Early Bookers:

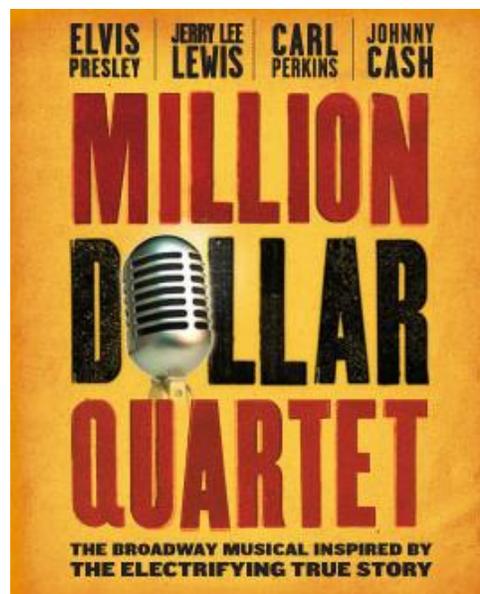
\$80 discount on first 15 seats; \$40 on next 10

Experience Points:

Earn 39 points on this tour.

Redeem 39 points if you book by May 26, 2023.

Departure from: Victoria



## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Thursday, July 27

Transportation is provided from the Victoria area to New Westminster and we stay three nights at the Inn at the Quay. Every room has a view of the Fraser River and the Westminister Public Market is adjacent.

**Accommodation:** Inn at the Quay

### Day 2: Friday, July 28

This morning, we take an hour-long **cruise** through Burrard Inlet and Vancouver's busy harbour. Next, we visit **Burnaby Heritage Village**, a re-creation of a pioneer community at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. During free time this afternoon, you may want to explore the Fraser River Discovery Centre near the hotel. An early dinner is at The Boathouse beside the river, then we head downtown to the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The curtain rises at 8 pm for **Aladdin**.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Inn at the Quay

### Day 3: Saturday, July 29

The morning is leisure time. At noon, we drive to the Stanley Theatre on Granville Street to see **Beautiful: The Carole King Musical**, starting at 2 pm. There is free time afterwards at Granville Island, then our third show at the Granville Island Stage at 8 pm is **Million Dollar Quartet**.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Inn at the Quay

### Day 4: Sunday, July 30

We journey home from Vancouver.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

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## THE SHOWS

**Disney's Aladdin.** Discover "a whole new world" at this hit Broadway musical. From the producer of *The Lion King* comes the timeless story of Aladdin, a thrilling new production filled with unforgettable beauty, magic, comedy, and breathtaking spectacle including a magic carpet. It's an extraordinary theatrical event where one lamp and three wishes make the possibilities infinite. *Aladdin* premiered at the 5th Avenue Theatre in Seattle in 2011, moved to Toronto in 2013, and opened on Broadway in 2014. It is the 10th highest-grossing Broadway production of all time and has been seen by more than 14 million people worldwide, as of August 2022. Its best known songs are *One Jump Ahead*, *A Friend Like Me*, and *A Whole New World*.

**Beautiful: The Carole King Musical** tells the story of the early life and career of Carole King, using songs that she wrote, often together with Gerry Goffin, and other contemporary songs by Barry Mann, Cynthia Weil, and Phil Spector. The original production of *Beautiful* received its world premiere in San Francisco in 2013 and moved to Broadway in 2014 where it played for 5½ years. *Beautiful* has won two Tony Awards, three Drama Desk Awards, two Laurence Olivier Awards, and a Grammy Award. Some of the best-known songs are *So Far Away*, *It Might as Well Rain Until September*, *Will You Love Me Tomorrow*, *One Fine Day*, and *You've Got a Friend*.

**Million Dollar Quartet.** On December 4, 1956, an auspicious twist of fate brought together Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley at Sam Phillips' Sun Records studio in Memphis. The four legends-to-be united for the only time in their careers for an impromptu recording session that has become known as one of the greatest rock jam sessions of all time. *Million Dollar Quartet* captures the infectious spirit, freewheeling excitement, and thrilling sounds of a singular moment when four of popular music's most extraordinary talents, all in their creative prime, came together for a night that would raise the roof. Enjoy *Blue Suede Shoes*, *Great Balls of Fire*, *Hound Dog*, *I Walk the Line*, and 19 others.



**Activity Level 1:** Light activity including short distances to walk and some stairs, mainly to/from your theatre seats. There is a short walk to the boat dock for the harbour cruise. The coach cannot carry a scooter or motorized wheelchair. **Everybody** participating in this tour is expected to be capable of handling Activity Level 1. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

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## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Transportation for 4 days
  - 3 nights accommodation and taxes
  - Vancouver Harbour cruise
  - Burnaby Heritage Village
  - *Disney's Aladdin* at Queen Elizabeth Theatre
  - *Beautiful: Carole King Musical* at Stanley Theatre
  - *Million Dollar Quartet* at Granville Island Stage
  - Knowledgeable tour director
  - Luggage handling at hotel
  - **4 meals:** 3 breakfasts, 1 dinner
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## TOUR POLICIES

**Payments:** A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due May 26, 2023. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined. Payments can be made by online banking or cheque (1.5% discount on tour fare), or by Visa or Mastercard.

**Discounts:** Early bookers receive \$80 discount on first 15 seats and \$40 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after May 26, 2023.

**Cancellation Policy:** Up to April 26, 2023, cancellation charge is \$50 per person. From April 27 to May 26, cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From May 27 to June 26, cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After June 26, 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.

**Food Allergies:** You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy. Some restaurants may not be able to satisfy all food allergies. Please do not tell us about your food preferences, as restaurants ignore these requests. An allergy causes medical distress, a preference does not. For some allergies, please consider bringing your own snacks or food items so you are not dependent on what restaurants are able to serve.

**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.

**Home pickups** may be offered in Greater Victoria, depending on the number of people booked and coach size. Decision is made about 2 weeks before departure and you will be contacted about your pickup point and time.

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**Experience Points:** This tour earns 39 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 select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until May 26, 2023.

**Consumer Protection BC Licences:** Kamloops 178, Vernon 655, Kelowna 588, Penticton 924, Victoria 65842

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