

## CENTRAL PARK BANDSTAND

When Central Park was dedicated for the public's enjoyment in 1891 a bandstand was one of the first structures erected as part of the original picnic grounds. Concerts were performed by the Central Park Jubilee Band organized by local residents to celebrate Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1896. This octagonal Queen Anne styled bandstand was also a stage for a variety of civic events and as welcomed shelter for rained-out picnic parties. It was Reeve J.W. Weart's podium for "Splash Day", a ceremony to commemorate the introduction of water service to Burnaby on July 16, 1912. After decades of community use the bandstand was damaged by trees toppled in 1932 by a windstorm and later demolished.

This new Bandstand is a replica of the original structure and has been designed and built using old photographs as a guide. It was built as a heritage legacy project and dedicated on May 29, 1996. This new bandstand was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Mario Fontanin.

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