

## NOT EVERY GREAT SPORTING EVENT TAKES PLACE IN A STADIUM.



A world-class facility. Flexible and functional space. Breathtaking mountain and harbour views.

At the Vancouver Convention Centre, you can't help but be inspired. Whether you're a delegate at a conference or an athlete aspiring to reach new heights.

The award-winning Vancouver Convention Centre is British Columbia's premier events facility and is located in one of the most beautiful settings in the world, the spectacular downtown waterfront. With two connected buildings offering 466,500 ft $^2$  (43,340 m $^2$ ) of function space, the possibilities are endless. Whether it's for a conference or a sporting event.

We have hosted major sporting events in the past, including the Davis Cup, the World Weightlifting Championships, the annual Sea to Sky International Cheerleading Championships, and the Yoga Show. Whether you need to host an annual congress, reception, fit-out offices, registration areas or team lounges, our versatile space can accommodate virtually any event set-up.

Our facility also boasts 120,000 ft<sup>2</sup> (36,576 m<sup>2</sup>) of outdoor plaza space set against a waterfront backdrop in view of the majestic Olympic Cauldron that burned brightly during the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. The perfect setting for award ceremonies, cultural events and community celebrations.

With our extraordinary service, technological capabilities and architecturally-stunning spaces, we will bring your sporting event to life. Athletes and spectators will enjoy a world-class facility and a lasting experience that is second to none.





#### CONVENIENT LOAD-IN/OUT

With twenty-two loading bays and convenient driveon access to our West grand exhibition space, event move-in and move-out are effortless.

#### STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY

All of your technology requirements are already here, on-site and as part of our infrastructure. In fact, we had the capacity to accommodate the complex needs of the world media when our facility served as the Main Media Centre for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

### AMPLE PARKING AND CONVENIENT PASSENGER PICK-UP/DROP-OFF

The Vancouver Convention Centre offers secure parking with 1,190 stalls within both buildings, twenty-four hours a day. For easy group pick-up/dropoff, event buses and other multi-passenger vehicles can utilize the 600 ft (200 m) of curbside space at the entrance of our West building's exhibition halls.

#### INDUSTRY-LEADING SUPPLIERS

Choose from our preferred on-site service suppliers for everything from food and beverage, rigging and lighting, to housekeeping.

#### **ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES**

Covering four city blocks, the Vancouver Convention Centre offers flexible and functional space for your program:

- Six exhibition halls
- 72 meeting rooms
- 150,000 ft<sup>2</sup> (13,900 m<sup>2</sup>) of pre-function space
- Waterfront ballroom at 53,000 ft<sup>2</sup> (4,920 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Ceiling heights reaching up to 55 ft (16.75 m)



- 2. We can accommodate meetings and press conferences connected with your event.
- 3. Our space can be transformed to host volleyball events with feature courts and spectator seating.
- 4. Enjoying an interactive session at The Yoga Conference and Show 2010.
- 5. Our flexible space is ideal for a variety of mat sports, including martial arts and wrestling.

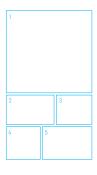












# WE'RE STEPS FROM THE OCEAN, AND ANYTHING ELSE YOU MIGHT NEED.



The Vancouver Convention Centre is in the centre of it all. Your delegates will be thrilled when they learn their event will be held here and for good reason. Vancouver is ranked as the top city in the Americas by SportBusiness Group's 'Ultimate Sports Cities' 2010 Awards, a celebration of the world's leading sport hosts.

#### **LOCATION**

Vancouver is Canada's Pacific gem – a combination of a natural setting along with the excitement of a modern, culturally diverse city.

#### **CLIMATE**

Vancouver offers a comfortable climate year-round with mild winters (average  $5^{\circ}$ C or  $41^{\circ}$ F) and warm summers (just over  $20^{\circ}$ C or  $68^{\circ}$ F).

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

The Vancouver Convention Centre offers convenient access to 13,000 quality hotel rooms within walking distance, including three world-class connecting hotel properties.

#### **ATTRACTIONS**

Vancouver offers an infinite number of sights, activities and event options. Want to play outside? Rent a kayak and tour the shoreline, cycle the city or hit the trails, take advantage of beautiful golf courses, or ski or hike the North Shore Mountains just minutes away. Indoor activities? Tour local art galleries and museums, experience live theatre or a professional sporting event, shop along popular Robson Street or visit historic Gastown.

#### **ACCESS**

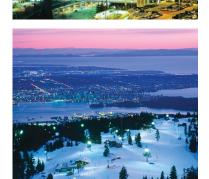
Equidistant from Europe and Asia, bordering the United States, Vancouver is home to the Vancouver International Airport (YVR), the second largest airport on North America's west coast. Travelling downtown to the Vancouver Convention Centre is as easy as taking a taxi, limo or the Canada Line rapid transit system, and takes less than thirty minutes.

#### **EXPLORE THE REGION**

With the convention centre and Vancouver as home base, delegates are well positioned to explore this unique region. Seaplanes, helicopters, ferries and cruise ships are just minutes away. All of which make it easy to discover attractions like Victoria – British Columbia's capital – and the scenic Gulf Islands. Take a leisurely drive up the Sea-to-Sky Highway to Whistler, one of North America's top ski resorts, sample the award-winning vintages of the Okanagan wine country, or travel the Alaskan coastline.

#### **WORLD-CLASS CUISINE**

Vancouver is fast becoming known as one of Canada's best dining destinations. In fact, Food & Wine magazine named Vancouver as one of the top ten culinary destinations in the world in 2008 along with cities such as New York, Paris and number one city Tokyo.





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