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**Seasonal Sparkle: Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside Offers Magical Accommodations for Holiday Guests**

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**/24-7PressRelease/** - VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA, December 07, 2007 - Vancouver is aglow this time of year, with the presence of millions of holiday lights strewn here, there and everywhere. With both the Christmas Carol Ship Parade and "Bright Nights" in Stanley Park going on now in the city, [Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside](#) is offering magical accommodations for those looking to turn this winter wonderland of lights into a cozy holiday getaway.

The Christmas Carol Ship's "Parade of Lights" is now in its 47th year of celebration and is going on now until December 23, 2007. This remarkable festival, which began with only one lighted boat in the water, now features over 80 decorated boats to Coal Harbour every year. With over 150,000 lights featured, last year approximately 200,000 visitors enjoyed the 23 night festival which also offers an array of seasonal shore side events. Caroling, strolling performances, bonfires and tasty treats are a sample of what is present for guests to enjoy at this magical event.

"Bright Nights" in Stanley Park, running now through January 3, 2008\*, is put on by the Vancouver Parks Board and the BC Professional Fire Fighter's Burn Fund. Together, these two organizations have created numerous nights of magic and illumination in the middle of wondrous Stanley Park. One million lights are on display, transforming the forest, train and children's farmyard into a twinkling delight for all ages. As one of Vancouver's holiday traditions for over 20 years, children love to visit Santa in his living room at the train station while proud parents stand watching nearby.

Hot chocolate, freshly popped corn and warm roasted nuts all are sold to warm the belly and the heart, while the Stanley Park Ecology Society offers Humbug Holiday Hikes into the dream-like forest. Tickets are \$7.50 and only \$4.50 for children and seniors. All proceeds go to burn survivors and their families.

While the city is lit with holiday cheer, the Renaissance [downtown Vancouver, Canada hotel](#) is among those delighting in the festivities. Positioned right in the midst of the bustling harbour, the hotel is offering seasonal [Vancouver hotel specials](#), meant to create magical memories for guests visiting sparkling city. Complete with over 400 classic guest rooms and eight spacious suites, this [Vancouver waterfront hotel](#) boasts chic yet sophisticated spaces. While some rooms are highlighted by balconies and partial harbour views, all rooms boasts remarkable floor to ceiling windows. Two concierge floors offer private lounges, turndown service and specialty amenities, creating a personalized experience for guests looking for an ultra-luxury getaway

A wonderful way to enjoy the holidays or ring in the New Year, [Vancouver hotel packages](#) are always available to give as gifts to treasured loved ones. Romantic holiday getaways and fun-filled winter family vacations are all made possible by this legendary hotel that enjoys creating magical holiday memories for all guests. Experience the joys of the season this year with the Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside.

**About Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside**

Located on the waterfront in British Columbia, the Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside is in the heart of it all and is within walking distance of the Cruise Ship Terminal and the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre, as well as being just steps away from shopping, Historic Gastown and the 1,000 acre Stanley Park. Enjoy the scenic attractions of downtown Vancouver while staying in one of their hotel suites and hotel rooms facing Coal Harbour. This Vancouver business hotel offers 18,000 sq ft of meeting and event space, perfect for conferences, banquets, and weddings. Visit our fully equipped fitness centre with indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna and exercise area. Whether traveling for business or pleasure, this [downtown Vancouver, BC Canada hotel](#) has something for everyone. For more information or to make a reservation call 604 689 9211 or visit <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/yvrrd-renaissance-vancouver-hotel-harbourside/>.

\* "Bright Nights" in Stanley Park is closed Christmas Day.