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All-Canadian Guitar Jam to take place at Water's Edge 2010

Coquitlam, BC – Calling all acoustic guitar players of all levels! A first for Coquitlam, Water's Edge Festival organizers are planning an **all-Canadian Guitar Jam** on Saturday **March 20** from noon to 1:30 at the Evergreen Cultural Centre.

Two music/band teachers from School District 43 are the brainchild behind the all-Canadian Guitar Jam. **Andrew Clark** teaches at Maillard Middle in Coquitlam and **Malcolm Grier** at Moody Middle in Port Moody. It was hockey that first brought them together, and later guitars.

"We began hanging out in the summer and planning guitar units for our students, which led to more guitar playing, writing songs, and more hockey, says Clark. He adds, "Leading a session at Water's Edge is a natural progression from our jamming to the sharing of our love of music."

The music has been selected from the "Top 100 Canadian Albums" by Bob Mersereau. According to Clark and Grier, the songs have been chosen based on their playability and singability by large groups and by their "particular bias and taste."

They have narrowed the song selection down to 21 to include a mix of notable Canadian singer-songwriters like Neil Young, Sarah McLoughlin, Leonard Cohen, Joni Mitchell and Bryan Adams, as well as songs by top-notch bands such as Blue Rodeo, Rush, Tragically Hip and more.

Bring your own guitar, capo and any other guitar paraphernalia and come jam along with Clark, Grier and other special musical guests (TBA). To download the complete song list with chords and lyrics go to watersedgemusic.ca and follow the link from the **latest news**. Now is the time to reacquaint yourself with some of these classic tunes and join them for some "pickin' and grinnin'."

The guitar jam is an all ages and all abilities opportunity. Admission is by wristband, included in the price of a gate pass to Water's Edge. A gate pass is \$10 (Children 10 and under accompanied by an adult are free).

Come celebrate great music, spring's arrival and the conclusion of Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad at Water's Edge, March 19 – 21, 2010 at the Evergreen Cultural Centre. Visit www.watersedgemusic.ca for details on all concerts & events and watch for the official festival guide available soon.

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