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Inside Out, The Bird and the Lion, Samantha Stouten and Arsen Shomakhov at Leigh Square SUMMER IN THE CITY FESTIVAL: WEEK 6

Farmers Market: every Thursday from 3-7pm at Leigh Square until September 29
Cinema Under the Stars: every 2nd Friday from July 8 to August 19 (time varies)
Village Vibe Performing Arts Series: every Saturday from July 2 to August 27 (2-4pm)
Music in the Park: every Sunday from July 3 to August 28 (2-4pm)
604.927.8400. FREE. All welcome.

Port Coquitlam, BC — Bring your family and friends for fun summer experiences each week at the Farmers Market, Village Vibe Performing Arts Series, Music in the Park, and Cinema Under the Stars—all free events taking place at Leigh Square and local parks! Here are the events for the sixth week of *Summer in the City*.

Cinema Under the Stars – Friday, Aug 5th at 9pm, Gates Park

This week's feature is **Inside Out** (PG). After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school. This evening of Cinema Under the Stars is sponsored in part by G&F Financial Group.

Village Vibe Performing Arts Series*—Saturday, Aug 6th from 2-4pm at Leigh Square

The Bird and the Lion. The Bird and the Lion express high levels of musicality with their unique renditions of cover songs. Elaina Buenaventura (aka the Bird) has been a musician for 5 years starting on guitar. Now she has expanded her horizons and plays a variety of instruments centred on her intriguing voice. Amanda Costa (aka the Lion) began her musical expedition 9 years ago with the piano. Currently playing too many instruments to count, she's always on the hunt for a new challenge. These two met each other in Terry Fox Secondary's Rock School program in their early years of high school. As a young band, they continue to take inspiration from anywhere they go and everything they do, hoping to bring people together, one note at a time.

Samantha Stouten. Samantha Stouten is a 19 year old solo singer songwriter from Port Coquitlam. Concert choir, contemporary music class, and some piano lessons have all been vital

in her ever growing passion for songwriting and performing. She writes honest narratives as well as abstract lyrics that are accompanied by simple, yet dynamic piano arrangements. Her sound varies from soft and light melodies to darker and more passionate tunes; this is all to express a wide range of thoughts and feelings. She is planning to release her first EP entitled "i don't know" in 2016.

Music in the Park—Sunday, Aug 7th from 2-4pm at Leigh Square**

Arsen Shomakhov. Arsen Shomakhov is a Maple Blues Awards nominee, guitarist, songwriter and singer. He is an electric blues performer truly dedicated to the style's roots yet never hesitating to borrow means of expression from other genres. After moving to Vancouver B.C. in 2008, Arsen formed the Arsen Shomakhov Trio that currently features Bruce O'Neill on bass and Chip Hart on drums. As a truly international blues artist, Arsen currently continues to perform at blues festivals throughout Europe, USA and Canada. www.ArsenShomakhov.ca

THIS WEEK'S FARMER'S MARKET THEME IS – Tomato Contest

***Village Vibe Performing Arts Series** takes place on a covered outdoor stage at Leigh Square every Saturday afternoon from July through August and features emerging performers in dance and music and creative writing. The program is free and provides opportunities for local artists to gain exposure and experience in front of a live audience. The series runs rain or shine and everyone is welcome.

****Music in the Park** features the finest professional musicians from across Metro Vancouver playing a variety of genres including jazz, blues, folk, world fusion, and contemporary. It takes place on a covered outdoor stage at Leigh Square every Sunday at 2 pm throughout July & August. The series runs rain or shine, is free, and everyone is welcome.

The *Summer in the City Festival of Arts, Culture & Entertainment* is presented by Leigh Square Community Arts Village and the City of Port Coquitlam's Recreation department and is sponsored in part by the Tri-City News, G&F Financial Group and Alliance Printing. Stay updated about all our Festival events by "Liking" us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/leighsquare).

The Leigh Square Community Arts Village encourages and facilitates community development through arts, culture and heritage within Port Coquitlam and serves as a cultural meeting place, a 21st century community arts centre. See www.portcoquitlam.ca/leighsquare for details.

****High resolution images available upon request****

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