# **Busking** in the City of North Vancouver

The City of North Vancouver recognizes the cultural contribution that street entertainment delivers to our community. The City encourages performers to showcase their craft, and values the diversity of entertainment and ambience that buskers provide.

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The City is committed to providing a safe and accessible environment for performers, businesses and residents, and offers the following guidelines for buskers:

- Busking should be limited to the hours of 9am to 9pm
- Busking in the same location should be limited. Consider changing locations on a regular basis so that the entertainment can be shared throughout the community
- If you receive a complaint from the public or if a business owner asks that you not busk in front of their store, please be courteous and move to another location
- Be aware of pedestrians and others occupying the same space. Always ensure access to sidewalks and storefronts for pedestrians

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Can I use an amplifier with my guitar and/or voice?

The City of North Vancouver does not permit amplification to be used for busking, as per Noise Bylaw No. 5819. The City does allow amplification for special events, however a permit is required and the performance areas are limited.

#### Do I need a permit/business licence to busk in the City?

No. The City does not require a permit or licence for busking.

#### Are there places I can't busk?

No, however it is up to the performer to determine whether certain areas are undesirable. Busking should contribute to the appeal of the surrounding environment. Please ensure sound levels are not disruptive to businesses in the area.

#### Can I sell my CDs/Paintings/Artwork, etc.?

The sale of materials is prohibited without a business licence.

For more information, contact the **Manager of Bylaw** Services at 604.985.7761 or email bylaw@cnv.org

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