

# Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre Project

## Executive Summary

The Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre and Silver Harbour Seniors' Activity Centre (HJCRC/SH) is set for completion in 2026. The project is currently focused on steel and mass timber structure, building envelope, masonry, interior finishing and mechanical and electrical works.

## Highlight – Harry Winston Jerome (1940–1982)

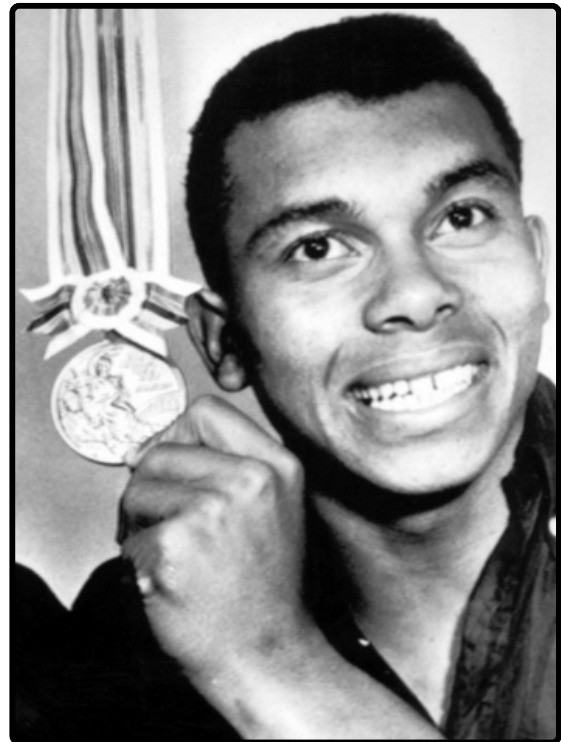
The new Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre reflects the City's vision of A Healthy City for All, emphasizing physical and mental health, wellness, inclusion, and diversity. Named after one of Canada's most celebrated track athletes, the centre honours the life and legacy of Harry Jerome—a pioneer in both sport and education.

Born in 1940 in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Jerome rose to prominence in North Vancouver in the 1960s as a world-class sprinter, setting multiple world records in the 100 metres and earning a bronze medal at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics. Despite facing serious injuries throughout his career, he demonstrated extraordinary resilience, earning recognition as one of the fastest men in the world.

Following his retirement from athletics, Harry Jerome turned his focus to education and public service. He became a passionate advocate for youth sports and physical fitness, working with the federal government and serving as a physical education teacher. His efforts helped shape national sports policy and expanded opportunities for young athletes, particularly in underrepresented communities.

In addition to lending his name to both the original and new community centre, Harry Jerome's legacy continues to be celebrated through awards, scholarships, and an annual track meet held in his honour. His life remains a powerful example of perseverance, excellence, and service to the community.

Stay tuned for more of Harry Jerome's story in future newsletters!



Harry Jerome with his bronze medal from the 1964 Tokyo Olympics

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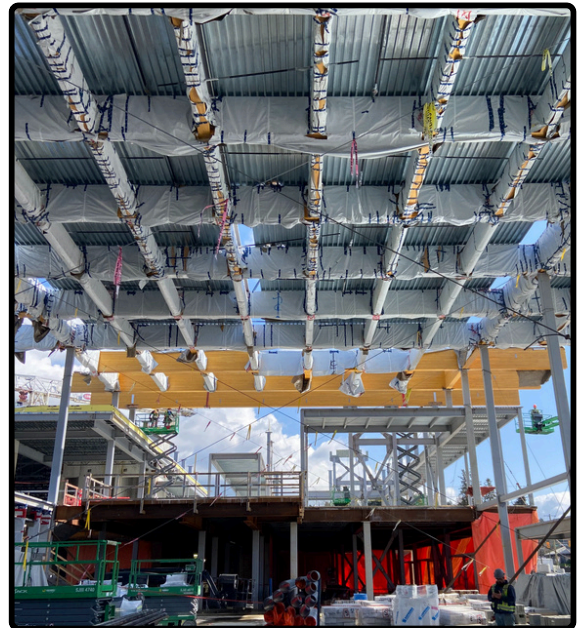
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## April Updates

- West construction crane removed from site
- Concrete pour for the arena slab and bleachers complete
- Window installations in the arena underway
- Aquatics centre change room plumbing rough-in to be completed
- Pool mechanical works continue
- Painting underway in fitness centre
- Gymnasium framing underway
- Final phase of mass timber installations underway



Arena window installations



Timber installations at the atrium

## May Upcoming Activities

- East construction crane removal to begin
- Sediment control tanks for storm water management to be removed
- Preparations and grading for landscape to commence
- Silver Harbour envelope works to commence



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