

➤ **Route and Schedule Adjustments:**

Weekday Service Adjustments

- » **#41 Dartmouth-Dalhousie and #42 Lacewood-Dalhousie:**
Service removed - will resume on Aug. 29, '11
- » **#62 Wildwood:**
Adjusted AM departure times from Cole Harbour Place for improved connections at Penhorn Terminal
- » **#185 Sackville Link:**
Added 6:30 PM trip from Barrington/Duke to Sackville Terminal

No Saturday or Sunday Schedule Adjustments

➤ **Universal Accessibility Study – 2nd set of Public Consultation Sessions**

Metro Transit and IBI Group will conduct four additional public consultation sessions as a follow up to the initial Universal Accessibility Study information meetings, which were held in early March 2011.

Metro Transit is looking for customer input regarding recommendations on a number of accessibility-related issues around conventional bus service, including existing infrastructure (vehicles, terminals, bus stops, shelters, etc.), on-board wheelchair/scooter restraint systems, customer communication and information (website, schedules, & maps), as well as transit guidelines and policies.

Once completed, short and long-term accessibility improvement recommendations to the fixed route transit service will be developed and presented to Regional Council for review and approval in summer 2011.

- » **Wednesday, May 18 – St. Andrews Community Centre**
6955 Bayers Rd., Halifax
Afternoon session: 4pm to 5:30pm
Evening session: 6pm to 7:30pm
- » **Thursday, May 19 – Dartmouth North Community Centre**
105 Highfield Park Dr., Dartmouth
Afternoon session: 4pm to 5:30pm
Evening session: 6pm to 7:30pm

The sessions will consist of a 10-15 minute presentation, followed by a question & answer period.

For registered Access-A-Bus clients wishing to attend, please contact the AAB Scheduling Department at 490-6999.

For those travelling on regular transit service, the St. Andrews Community Centre is serviced by routes #2, #17(ALF), #80, and #81.

The Dartmouth North Community Centre is serviced by ALF routes #16, #52, #53, #66, #72, #87, and non-ALF route #64.

For detailed route and schedule information, visit www.halifax.ca/metrotransit/Schedules

If you are unable to attend the public consultation sessions, we invite you to provide comments or suggestions regarding improvements to transit accessibility by calling 490-4000 or emailing contactHRM@halifax.ca



Your source for municipally-run and sponsored meetings & events and important dates

www.halifax.ca/calendar

➤ **Yield to Bus Legislation**



Effective May 1, 2011, new provincial legislation will require all vehicles to yield to buses upon re-entering the traffic stream. Currently transit buses must rely on the courtesy of other drivers to merge into traffic.

This adjustment will improve the timeliness of transit service and will reduce the frustration encountered by all when buses try to merge into traffic. The legislation will improve transit efficiency and support road safety by requiring all drivers to yield to transit buses re-entering traffic, and will bring Nova Scotia in line with other jurisdictions that have similar legislation.

The province will be launching a public education campaign to educate motorists of this change in law; and all transit buses in the province will begin to display a 'Yield to Bus' decal on the rear left hand side, near the turn signal.

For information: www.gov.ns.ca/tran



➤ **HRM Bike Week - May 27 to June 5, 2011**

HRM Bike Week aims to celebrate, educate and increase participation in all types of cycling throughout the region. It's an exciting, community driven event encouraging people of all ages and abilities to get outside and be more active. Last year, more than 4500 residents participated in over 30 Bike Week events held throughout HRM.



Metro Transit will provide free transportation to all cyclists travelling on the ferries during Bike Week

For information, visit www.halifax.ca/bikeweek/scheduleofevents

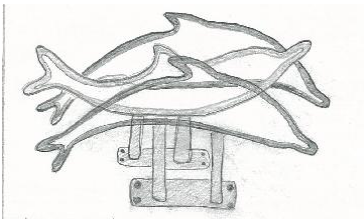
➤ **Bike Rack Design Competition**

Look out for a new bike rack at the Dartmouth Ferry Terminal this summer!

Titled "Splash", the dolphin-shaped rack was submitted by a student from the Halifax Independent School and judged alongside submissions by professionals.

Splash's sleek and functional design will make a great addition to downtown Dartmouth!

Name of the winner was to be officially announced after our print deadline



➤ **Youth Summit on Sustainable Transportation**

- » Are you aged 17-25?
- » Are you interested in sustainable transportation and planning issues?

If you responded yes, you should consider applying to be a delegate at the upcoming Youth Summit on Sustainable Transportation being hosted by Metro Transit in Halifax, NS, from July 8 - 10, 2011!



For information: www.halifax.ca/metrotransit

➤ **Halifax Public Gardens**

Some describe the Gardens as an oasis in the midst of the busy city... whatever the reason, you can now enjoy the ducks, the ice cream, the renovated bandstand and, most especially, the beauty of the hard work of the Gardens' caregivers from 8 am to dusk daily.

For details: www.halifaxpublicgardens.ca



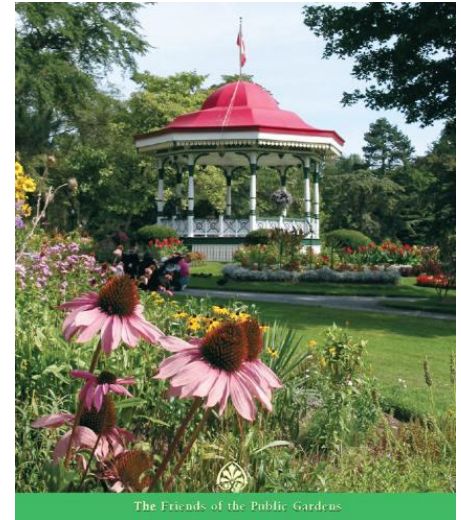
Flora is thought of as a goddess of budding springtime. She reigns over the fruit trees, vines, grains, and all flowering plants. This typical depiction shows her graceful and full bodied, wearing a long, snug gown and holding a laurel wreath and spring flowers.

Contact Information

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Springtime in the Public Gardens

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