

BC Prepares For the Opening of Vancouver 2010 Winter Games.ⁱ

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The 2010 Olympic Winter Games are upon us and things are heating up around Vancouver. You can feel the energy in the city as all the last minute details are pulled together for this huge event



The team at Static Photography has been out and about making photos of all the action and we have pulled together some of our favorites. You can find more Vancouver 2010 photos than you know what to do with here, but for now check out this first week of February in Vancouver with the Winter Olympic Games just around the corner.



We got a tour of Prince George, starting first with speed skating lessons from the speed skating youth team. These kids are fast!



These cute dogs were part of DogPower.ca which gave us a dog sledging tour through Prince George



Rebecca Bollwitt, otherwise known as Miss604, was up in Prince George for the winter adventures. Rebecca is a Vancouver blogger who will be covering the Olympic Games



Dog-sledding was a great way to travel the back country of Prince George.



The Prince George Coldsnap Music Festival showcases some of the best in Canadian musical talent. The Great Lake Swimmers were at the festival this year, headlining the main night.



The BC Cups #2 Cross-Country Skiing event happened took place in Prince George. This event was all ages and the competition was strong even in the snowfall.



The Torch was travelling through Prince George in its journey through Canada. This is the passing of the Olympic flame from one torch bearer to another torch bearer, which is called a 'kiss'.



There was a festive torch celebration when the Olympic flame was brought Prince George. The entire town was a captive audience when the Prince George cauldron was lit.



Premier Gordon Campbell is obviously the Olympics biggest fan and has travelled around the country following the torch along its journey.



The Richmond Oval is a venue that was built specifically for the Olympic Games. This venue will hold the speed-skating events.



GM Place will be renamed Canada Hockey Place during the Olympic Games. All of the hockey events will be held at this venue during February.



Many changes have taken place in Vancouver during the preparation for the Olympic Games. A long standing Beatty Street mural was covered in the prep but is being repainted by local Vancouver artists.



For the first time ever in Olympic history, the Cultural Olympiad has a digital edition called CODE. Rae Hull is the Creative Director of CODE, which has four parts, Canada CODE, CODE Screen 2010, CODE Motion Pictures and CODE Live.



This is the CODE Live 1 at Great Northern Way Campus in Vancouver. Wang Yuyang is showcasing his media installation Artificial Moon, which illuminates the entryway of CODE Live 1.



The 2010 Vancouver Cultural Olympiad has some public art installations around the city. One of these art installations is *Fire with Fire* by Isabelle Hayeur and is located in the W2 Woodward's building



We spent the weekend in Whistler with Tourism BC. Chris has been making videos while following the Torch through its journey of Canada.



The 2010 Vancouver Cultural Olympiad has curated over 60 days of arts, theatre and dance performances. The opening weekend showcased Elizabeth Streb's show *Shreb: RAW* with its amazing acrobatic feats of human flight.





The Peak to Peak Gondola takes you from the top of the Whistler Mountain to the top of the Blackcomb Mountain. This was part of our snowboarding adventure with Tourism BC.

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