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OVER 200 SEA CADETS CELEBRATE CANADA IN CEREMONY OF THE FLAGS

VICTORIA, B.C.-230 members of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets from across Canada will perform “The Ceremony of the Flags” at 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5 on the legislature grounds in Victoria. The ceremony, performed annually by teenage sea cadets attending the Sea Cadet Summer Training Centre (SCSTC), HMCS QUADRA located at Comox is an August long-weekend tradition in Victoria.

The display is a celebration of national unity. It combines the tattoo, beating retreat, and sunset ceremonies and is focused on a display of the nation’s 13 provincial and territorial flags with the national flag. The 60-member band, 100-member guard of honour, colour party, and two ceremonial gun crews with century old, 12-pound field-guns are comprised of 14 to 18-year-old members of Royal Canadian Sea Cadets from all parts of Canada.

Capt.(N) Mike Williamson, Base Commander CFB Esquimalt, is the guest of honour and reviewing officer.

Each summer, over 1,000 Sea Cadets train at SCSTC HMCS QUADRA, Western Canada’s National Sea Cadet Summer Training Centre located near Comox. Cadets participate in basic and advanced training in sailing, seamanship, leadership and parade drill, marine engineering, music and sports.

On Sunday, 25 cadets with supervising officers are the ceremonial guns crews to provide the cannon fire during the Victoria Symphony’s performance of the 1812 Overture that is the final selection for “Symphony Splash”.

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