

# Companion Schedule

## WELCOME TO BANFF!

The accompanying persons program for those registered as such, includes all the main evening events as well as a full touring program on Tuesday and Wednesday. Costs of the main events as well as lunches and transportation on the tour days are included in the accompanying person registration fee.

The Banff Tour Desk (Discover Destination) will be available at registration for booking additional tours (at additional cost) on Thursday and after the conference.

Specifically, the accompanying persons program includes:

### **Monday, Sept. 17**

1830-2200 Icebreaker Reception and Buffet, Max Bell Foyer  
*Entertainment: Violinist Ronelle Schaufele*

### **Tuesday, Sept. 18**

#### *Daytime activities:*

0700-0830 Breakfast in Vistas Dining Room; Pick up bag lunches  
0900 Tour bus at PDC to Sulphur Mountain  
0900-1300 Sulphur Mountain Gondola and tour  
1300-1600 Tour of Banff museums (Luxton and Whyte)

#### *Evening activities:*

1730-1830 Social Hour – All delegates, PDC 301  
1900-2200 Conference Banquet, Great Husky Hall  
*Entertainment: Buffalo Nation dancers and drummers*

### **Wednesday, Sept. 19**

#### *Daytime activities:*

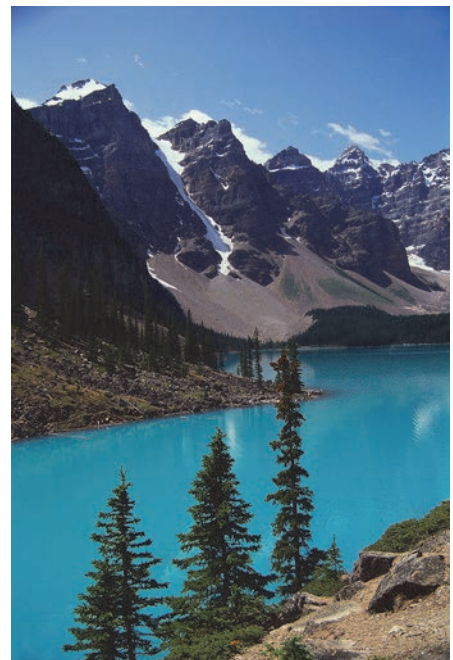
0700-0830 Breakfast in Vistas Dining Room; Pick up bag lunches  
0900 Tour bus at PDC – including guide  
0900-1700 Tour: Moraine Lake, Lake Louise, and Lake Louise Gondola and tour at top.

#### *Evening activities:*

1730-1830 Social Hour – All delegates, PDC 301  
1845-1900 Bus to BBQ venue  
1900-2200 Western Barbeque at Brewster Facility  
*Entertainment: Live Western band and line dancing lessons*  
2200 Buses back to the Banff Centre

### **Thursday, Sept. 20**

0700-0830 Breakfast in Vistas Dining Room; Pick up bag lunches if you wish  
0830 Meet at Vistas (or PDC Lobby) to decide on possible walking/hiking for ½ day (eg. Tunnel Mountain, Bow Meadows)  
0900-1400 Options



*Beautiful Moraine Lake*

## Companion Tours: September 18 and 19

The accompanying persons tours led by Discover Destination Management will explore some of the Banff area's natural and cultural highlights.

### Tuesday, September 18

#### *Morning Tour: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM*

**Banff Gondola at Sulphur Mountain:** Take the gondola up to the 7,500 ft summit of Sulphur Mountain and enjoy the panoramic view of the entire Bow Valley. Spend some free time here in the restaurant, or the many interpretive trails that wind atop the mountain. Take the winding staircase up to the uppermost level and get a new perspective of the world using the giant compass!



#### *Afternoon Tour: 1:00 – 4:00 PM*



**Luxton Museum:** Journey into the extraordinary heritage of the Indians of the Northern Plains and Canadian Rockies at the Buffalo Nations Luxton Museum. From richly ornamented costumes to a beautifully decorated teepee, from colourful quillwork to hunting equipment, the museum displays a wealth of native arts and daily life. It is a cultural display that celebrates the richness, diversity, continuity and, above all, the resilience of the native peoples of this area.

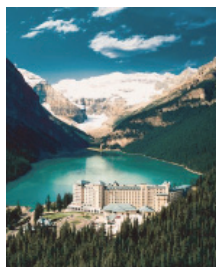
**Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies:** The Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies welcomes those who are drawn to the power and inspiration of these mountains. The Museum is a place where people are imaginatively engaged in the excitement of exploring Canadian Rockies art, culture, and history.



*Transportation to and from the Banff Gondola, Luxton Museum, Whyte Museum, and a Discover naturalist/guide are part of both the morning and afternoon tours.*

### Wednesday, September 19

#### *Day Tour: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM*



**Discover Lake Louise and Moraine Lake:** On this sightseeing tour you will visit the "Jewel of the Canadian Rockies", Lake Louise, and the World Renowned Moraine Lake, both of which are part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will have time to take photos and explore their shorelines. Learn about mountaineering history and how a tragic accident at Lake Louise shaped Canadian mountain culture. Finally, take a short walk to a viewpoint in the Valley of Ten Peaks overlooking Moraine Lake.

Highlights include Bow Valley Parkway: Wildlife watching and the role of fire in the Park, Castle Mountain: Learn how this local landmark got its name.

*Transportation, Lake Louise Gondola and a Discover naturalist/guide are part of this day-long tour.*