

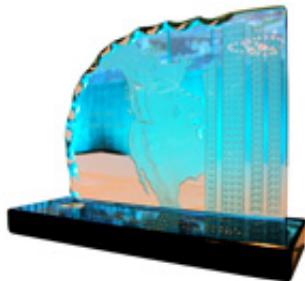


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ASSOCIATION NEWS

Awards entry deadline is approaching



Don't delay — the awards entry deadline is Friday, March 6. View the list of [award categories and download entry forms](#).

Dates of interest:

May 21: BOMA BC Awards Gala

Sept. 24: BOMA Canada Awards Gala at BOMEX Vancouver



Fire Prevention Training



Candle use increases during the winter months and is a cause of home fires and home fire deaths. In the USA fire departments respond to an estimated 11,640 homes structure fires that were started by candles which caused 126 deaths, 953 injuries and \$438 million in direct property damage. Keep your occupants educated and safe.

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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

BOMA advocacy on property taxes

BOMA responded to two recent articles from the *Globe and Mail* and *Vancouver Courier* on commercial property taxes. Specifically, the *Courier* article blamed triple-net leases for unfairly punishing small businesses.

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Hon. Selena Robinson indicated the province intends to find a long-term solution and that "We want the right people to pay." Co-signed by the Vancouver Business Improvement Area Partnership, our letters highlighted the province's "highest and best use" policy as the issue that is resulting in unsustainable increases in property taxes on small businesses.

Find both responses below:

[Globe and Mail](#) (scroll down to "Details unclear on Small Business Tax-Relief")

[Vancouver Courier](#)

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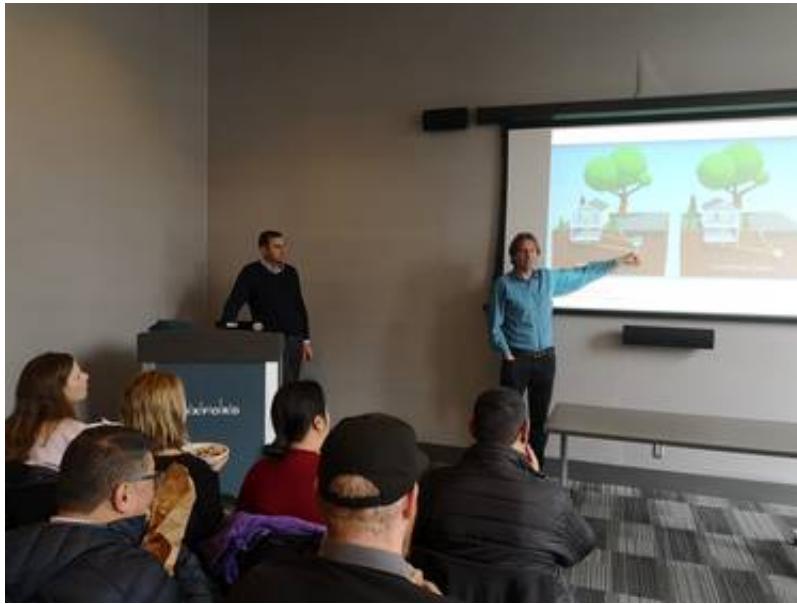
BOMI Education Canada update

BOMI International has announced the launch of BOMI Education Canada. They are now offering new self-paced online courses. [View the new BOMI website here.](#)

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Sold out session on Premise Plumbing to be repeated in March



With 24 people on the waitlist it was an easy decision to repeat this session. Phillip White and Christopher Radziminski from the City of Vancouver will be back to talk about plumbing and mechanical code updates.

[Learn more and register for this session.](#)

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EVENT CALENDAR

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Feb 2020

Introduction to Recommissioning Workshop

Gain a practical approach to EBCx, with a specific focus on the elements of a robust investigation.

[Waitlist...](#)

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Feb 2020

TNP Event: Stuck to On

The six cycles that all people, teams and organizations go through in getting "stuck" and how to recognize and navigate that space.

[Read More...](#)

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Mar 2020

QBT Session: Premise Plumbing in Vancouver Buildings

The February session had a wait list so we are doing a repeat!

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Mar 2020

BOMA Ski Day

Two coaches will take 90 people to Whistler for an unforgettable day of skiing, snowboarding and socializing.

[Waitlist...](#)**16**

Apr 2020

BOMA April Luncheon & AGM

Set aside 11am to 11:30am to attend the Annual General Meeting prior to the luncheon. Details to come.

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Jul 2020

BOMA Boat Cruise

Keep an eye out for registration in May as this event sells out quickly.

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Aug 2020

BOMA Golf Classic

We're back at Northview's two courses for this double shotgun, Texas Scramble tourney.

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Sep 2020

BOMEX Vancouver

BOMA Canada's national conference and tradeshow is coming to town! Venue details and sponsorship/exhibitor info is posted online.

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GOOD TO KNOW

Guide to Pandemic Planning

With the recent outbreak of coronavirus in China, and cases now spreading closer to home, the need to be prepared for a pandemic has never been stronger. Sponsored by DCS Global, BOMA Canada prepared this Pandemic Guide as a way to help you meet the challenge of such outbreaks.

The guide is currently being updated but given the current situation, please see the [2019 Pandemic Guide](#) as reference.

DCS suggests implementing extra cleaning measures for common touchpoints or a full cleaning-for-health program. They also suggest including ATP swab testing and OptiSolve Pathfinder pictures to identify and measure the effectiveness of your cleaning program.

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BC Labour Market Outlook

WorkBC lists facility operation and maintenance managers and property administration as high opportunity occupations. These types of jobs are expected to experience higher demand and offer higher pay. Here's how the two ranked:

- #10. Facility operation and maintenance managers (4,660 job openings in 2019-2029)
- #13. Property administration (3,800)

View WorkBC's [Good Jobs for Today and Tomorrow document here.](#)



Unlocking hidden value in Class B/C buildings

BOMA International announces the release of a new research report created in partnership with the Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) and the Urban Land Institute (ULI): *Unlocking Hidden Value in Class B/C Office Buildings: Best Practices for Pursuing Low-Cost, High-Impact Energy Efficiency and Green Leasing Strategies*. The first study of its kind, this report offers guidance and strategies for implementing energy efficiency and green leasing measures specifically tailored to the owners and operators of Class B and C office buildings.

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Vancouver Sewer Credit Program

Did you know that the City of Vancouver has a Sewer Credit Program? Cooling towers, by design, evaporate water, and can comprise 20-50% of a facility's total water use? Read on for the WaterSense At Work document.

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AROUND THE INDUSTRY

Vancouver's new Plaza of Nations to include towers, Canucks rink, music venue

Source: Western Investor

The redevelopment of the North East False Creek site into Canadian Metropolitan Properties' Plaza of Nations will be completed in three phases. The timeline of completion is still unknown as certain approvals are still required.

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\$658M is too low an assessment for Coquitlam Centre, says city

Source: Tri-City News

At a committee meeting last week, Coquitlam city councillors and staff said that BC Assessment is undervaluing the Coquitlam Centre property.

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Cadillac Fairview Proposes 26-Story Tower on Vancouver's Waterfront

Source: Connect Seattle

Cadillac Fairview has applied for a development permit to build a 26-story office tower to be called The Crystal at Waterfront Square.

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Food hall idea pitched for North Kamloops

Source: Kamloops This Week

The food hall concept will allow smaller businesses, such as food trucks, to test the restaurant waters without jumping into a full-on establishment.

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Bene sells prime Richmond development site to Landa

Source: Real Estate News EXchange

Bene Group has sold a 3.4-acre redevelopment site worth \$60 million to Landa Oval Holdings, Ltd. A mixed-use development is planned for the property.

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