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“World in motion, world in touch”: Canada leads the way

EXPO 86, the largest special category world exposition ever staged in North America and the first to focus on transportation and communications, is being held in Vancouver, British Columbia, May 2 — October 13, 1986. A salute to past achievements, a celebration of present progress and a signpost to the future, EXPO 86 provides a compelling chronicle of the “world in motion, world in touch” from its earliest steps to the conquest of space. Reflecting a subject of key importance to all countries, EXPO 86 has attracted the most international participants of any exposition of its type for decades. More than 80 Canadian, foreign and corporate participants reflect their own unique interpretation of the theme amid a galaxy of attractions and special events.



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The Canadian pavilion unfurls its sails in welcome.

As national host and sponsor of EXPO 86, Canada is presenting the leading showcase for the twin themes transportation and communications. The country's pavilion acclaims Canada's contributions to a “world in motion, world in touch”.

While the official theme at the Canadian pavilion is “Canada in motion: the challenge of the country and the responses of the people”, the interpretation of the theme is “a Canada you've never experienced before”.

Bruce Howe, commissioner general of the Canadian section said Canada Pavilion is presenting “our people's innovative use of transportation and communications — the EXPO themes — as they've responded to the incredible challenges posed by our ex-

pansive and rugged geography and our astonishingly varied climate”.

Distinguished by a roofline of five white sails of teflon-coated fibreglass, Canada Pavilion is located on Vancouver's mountain-backed waterfront, 1.2 kilometres from the main exposition site. It is inside Canada Place, a federal government complex containing a new cruise ship terminal that will

be open during the exposition, and a world-class trade and convention centre scheduled to open July 1, 1987.

As the flagship of the exposition, the complex extends the equivalent of three city blocks into Burrard Inlet, one of the world's busiest harbours. With its surf-white sails that appear to be catching the Pacific winds, wide, deck-like promenades and prow-shaped observation plaza, the structure resembles an immense ocean liner in full sail.

Beneath the sails, in the Great Hall, some 43 000 visitors daily can view both serious and playful exhibits on EXPO's twin themes.



Important dates

Opening ceremonies	May 2
<i>Tomorrow Begins Today</i> (International symposium)	May 8 — 9
National and special days honouring all participating nations	throughout
Fireworks and laser light show	nightly at 10 p.m.
Sunset ceremonies	July 18 — 21
Closing ceremonies	October 13

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