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#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

# All-candidates debate a real gong show

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Over two-dozen candidates from all municipal parties will participate at *Last Candidate Standing*, schedule to take place on Nov. 2, at Simon Fraser University's Goldcorp Centre for the Arts.

The popular event groups candidates in rotating round-robin debates. Each candidate has one minute to answer a question from the panel with the time limit strictly enforced by a gong. Candidates deemed as having the best answers – determined by votes and audience participation – are then allowed into the next round of debates.

Designer and activist Mark Busse will host the debate alongside a media panel that includes Metro Vancouver News reporter Emily Jackson, CTV News reporter Jon Woodward, and Megaphone Magazine Editor Jackie Wong.

Musical breaks between sessions will be provided by gong musician Kathy Cameron and rockabilly band The New Shackletons.

Produced by the Vancouver Public Space Network, SFU's Vancity Office of Community Engagement, and the Urbanarium Society, *Last Candidate Standing* is designed to encourage a lively atmosphere, good civic engagement, and the chance to showcase the widest possible range of candidates.

The debate is free with registration but seating is limited. Public are encouraged to register early as previous editions of *Last Candidate Standing* have had capacity audiences and waiting lists.

What: Last Candidate Standing

When: Sunday, November 2, 2-5 p.m.

Where: Goldcorp Centre for the Arts, 149 W. Hastings Street

**Cost:** Free with registration.

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