



North Vancouver District
Public Library

Inspiring Stories

March 2015

TED Livestreaming

The week of March 16 to 20 the Library livestreamed the TED 2015 Conference, providing a venue for community members to watch the live web cast and to discuss the talks with others. We streamed the entire conference at our Lynn Valley Library, with additional streaming times and locations at our Capilano and Parkgate Libraries. Each of our three branches hosted TED Discussion Lounges where event attendees could share their thoughts and reflections on TED 2015, and the theme Truth or Dare.

Engaging Spaces and Sharing Stories

Approximately 300 people attended our livestreaming at all three of our branches. After the sessions, people often stayed to mingle and chat about what they learned. To quote our strategic framework, there was lots of creating knowledge and sharing stories happening! And all in an engaging space facilitated by the library! We offered refreshments, beautiful displays and informational handouts, as well a seamless display of the webstream (courtesy of the hard work of our systems department).

What we heard and saw from patrons

We also had a display board at each of our branches, where event attendees were invited to co-create a display board by writing their responses to the question “What’s one thing you learned today that you can’t wait to share?”

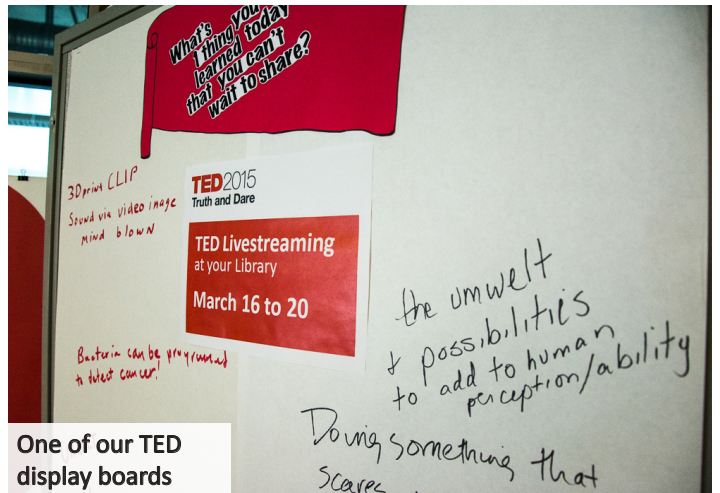
Here are a few responses:

- “We can learn from this morning’s session how to address similar problems in our communities – prisons, homeless, justice systems, etc.”
- “Tremendously interesting sessions! Thanks for hosting.”
- “Doing something that scares us allows us to learn.”
- “Intelligence, Compassion, Justice, Technology, Creativity – Hope for the future!”
- “Empathy erases shame.”

There was also one couple who went to the TED talks at all three NVDPL branches, and they were very grateful we were showing them! Overall, the TED livestreaming was a great success at NVDPL!



Livestreaming at
Lynn Valley Library



One of our TED
display boards



Livestreaming at
Parkgate Library