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# Welcome to TEDx BBT in Vancouver & Live Trading Summit 2025

Get ready for an unforgettable three-day journey filled with inspiration, hands-on learning, and unique opportunities to connect with an incredible community. Here's what's in store for you:

## Day 1: TEDx BBT Vancouver

**Date:** March 29, 2025

**Location:** UBC Robson Square — Vancouver, BC

Kick off the event at the prestigious University of British Columbia's Robson Square, where the theme of Peak Performance and Mental Resilience takes center stage.

- **Hear from visionary speakers** sharing transformative ideas that inspire action and spark new perspectives.
- **Dive into thought-provoking sessions** designed to explore how to thrive in high-pressure environments and achieve your best.
- **Engage with a community of changemakers** who share a passion for innovation and growth.

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## Days 2 & 3: Live Trading Summit

**Dates:** March 30-31, 2025

**Location:** Paradox Hotel — Vancouver, BC

Transition into the world of trading as the Live Trading Summit unfolds at the luxurious Paradox Hotel:

- **Day 1 (March 30):** Learn from industry-leading traders and mentors during a full day of engaging talks, workshops, and practical sessions. Gain insights into trading strategies, market dynamics, and tools to enhance your trading success.
- **Day 2 (March 31):** Experience the excitement of live trading with hundreds of traders, all in one room. Trade the markets in real-time, guided by mentors and surrounded by the energy of a vibrant trading community.



# Meet the TEDx BBT in Vancouver Speakers

- **TEDx BBT in Vancouver Speakers** will bring powerful ideas and fresh perspectives on topics like Peak Performance and Mental Resilience, sharing stories that motivate and transform.
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## **Darren Dahl**

### **Dean of the UBC Sauder School of Business**

Darren Dahl is the Dean and Innovate BC Professor at the Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia. His research focuses on new product design, creativity, and consumer behavior. His work has been published in top journals, and he has served as editor-in-chief of the Journal of Consumer Research. Professor Dahl teaches business strategy, marketing, and creativity at various levels and has won awards for both his research and teaching.



## **Mark Black**

### **Author of *The Resilience Roadmap: 7 Guideposts for Charting Your Course in a Chaotic World***

Mark Black, a global keynote speaker and leading resilience expert, blends information with inspiration. Born with a life-threatening heart defect, he survived two open-heart surgeries before age one and a heart and double-lung transplant at 22. Three years later, he became the first person to run a marathon with someone else's heart and lungs — and then did it three more times.



## **Dr. Chris Edwards**

### **Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Sherbrooke Faculty of Medicine**

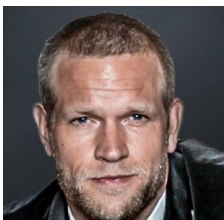
Dr. Edwards, PhD, CSCS, CEP, CES, is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Sherbrooke Faculty of Medicine and a strength and conditioning coach who has dedicated her life to supporting humans in uniform. Her perspective is strongly influenced by her work with serving members and Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces, Canadian Special Operations Forces, NATO.



## **Mike Cameron**

### **Certified Executive Coach**

“Perform at your peak, protect your peace” is the heart of Mike Cameron’s work. A TEDx speaker, author, and Certified Executive Coach with over 30 years in sales and leadership, Mike guides others to excel while maintaining well-being. After losing his girlfriend in 2015, he sold his successful business to focus on speaking and coaching, drawing on his journey of resilience and endurance—illustrated by completing 100-mile races and exploring rugged landscapes worldwide. As founder of Connect’d Men and co-founder of the Ignore No More Run for Respect, he advocates for emotional fitness in men and authentic leadership, blending storytelling with strategies to inspire peak performance and balance.



## **Jay DeMerit**

### **Former American Soccer Player**

Jay Michael DeMerit is an American former soccer player who played as a center back. He played college soccer for the UIC Flames and was in the Chicago Fire Premier development squad, but after not being drafted for Major League Soccer, he moved to look for a club in England.



## **Julia Hay**

### **Leader Coach at Ax-One**

Julia Hay is a dedicated coach passionate about personal and professional development. With a strong foundation in NeuroCoaching, she employs a holistic approach that harnesses the mind-body connection to help clients build resilience, boost productivity, and optimize performance.



## **Pete Armstrong**

### **Thought Leader**

Pete Armstrong, a father of three, helps men, especially fathers, improve their well-being and relationships. After a decade of healing from struggles with confidence and belonging, he's now trained in mental fitness and trauma-informed practices. Pete believes true success comes from self-worth, our impact on others, and strong relationships. An avid cyclist, he inspires men to live authentically and follow their hearts.



## **Locksley Blaylock**

### **'Mom Trader'**

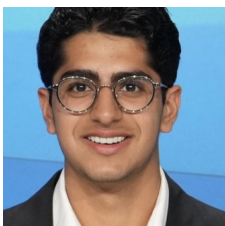
Locksley Blaylock is a day and swing trader, focusing mainly on the SPX. After college, she backpacked around the world before returning home to get married and start her family. She has worked with financial services and software companies and describes trading as one of the most "mom friendly" side hustles out there! She lives in Georgia with her family and loves anything outdoors, especially fly fishing and going to summer camp in North Carolina when she can get away with it!



## **Rande Howell**

### **Trading Psychologist**

Rande Howell is a performance coach and licensed therapist. His work focuses on using emotions to build an effective mind for the management of uncertainty. Rande's work is grounded in Emotional Intelligence, Mindfulness, and developing latent potential in investors and traders. He teaches them how to harness emotions to achieve the performance edge so they can effectively control the mind that is brought into the moment of managing uncertainty, rather than attempting to control the outcome.



## **Yash Sonchhatra**

### **Student Investment Leader and Momentum Trader**

Yash Sonchhatra is a junior at Millburn High School with a deep passion for financial markets. He serves as the president of his high school's investment club, where he leads initiatives to deepen financial literacy among his peers. As an experienced day trader, Yash specializes in momentum strategies, leveraging advanced tape reading skills to maintain his edge. Beyond the markets, he is a certified yoga professional and athlete, committed to fostering mental and physical stability through his practice.



# Live Trading Summit Speakers & Mentors

- At the **Live Trading Summit**, industry professionals and trading mentors will guide you through actionable insights and real-world strategies.
- **Bear Bull Traders Mentors**—the familiar faces from the chat room—will be there live, ready to provide hands-on support and personalized advice during the trading sessions.



## Leanna Privette

**Entrepreneur & Day Trader**

Leanna Privette, a mother of three, found her entrepreneurial drive early, inspired by her parents. With a background in Finance and Real Estate, she's built a 20-year real estate portfolio and, after earning her MBA and working in corporate finance, returned to her roots. Now, Leanna runs three businesses in real estate, day trading, and asset leasing, while staying dedicated to family and yoga.



## Andrew Aziz

After earning his PhD in chemical engineering in Vancouver, Andrew (Amin) spent years working as a research scientist in the cleantech industry before being let go from one position, a turning point that led him to focus on the financial markets. Despite doubts from others and himself about succeeding in a field dominated by Wall Street, he persevered and mastered the art of trading. In 2015, he published his first book, *How to Day Trade for a Living*, a practical guide for aspiring traders, and in 2016, he founded Bear Bull Traders, a global community where serious traders share knowledge and expertise.

Andrew is also a passionate outdoorsman with a lifelong love for nature. When not trading or mentoring, he can be found hiking, skiing, or climbing. He has summited Mount Everest and completed the Seven Summits challenge, conquering the highest peaks on every continent—proof of his relentless drive and determination both on and off the trading floor.



## Brian Pezim

Brian's lifelong fascination with stocks began as a preteen, inspired by watching his father trade and starting his own journey with a single share of "The Bell Telephone Company of Canada," which grew through splits and dividends into a robust portfolio—setting the stage for his trading career, bolstered by an MBA and the Canadian Securities Course. After navigating the highs and lows of day trading during the dotcom era, Brian retired from a 30-year corporate career in 2014 and now collaborates with Andrew, combining their passion for trading with helping others achieve their financial goals.



## Jarad Champagne

Jarad, a software engineer with 7 years of experience in GIS technologies for a well-known defense contracting company, began his trading journey in late 2018 after reading *How To Day Trade for a Living*. Since then, he has honed his skills in day trading, swing trading, and options trading, joining Bear Bull Traders to share his passion for learning the markets and providing valuable insights to fellow traders. Aspiring to master options trading, Jarad offers fresh strategies to navigate any market situation. Outside of trading, he enjoys cooking Cajun cuisine, spending time with his two chinchillas, and cherishing moments with his girlfriend of over 5 years, soon to be fiancée.



### **John Hiltz**

John, a retired Lieutenant Colonel with 21 years in the U.S. Army, discovered a passion for teaching while serving as an instructor at the U.S. Military Academy. His fascination with day trading began during his military career, but consistent profitability eluded him until he read Andrew's *How to Day Trade for a Living* and joined the Bear Bull Traders community. Through BBT's education, simulated trading, and small-risk strategies, John achieved consistent success within his first year of trading after retirement.



### **Thor Young**

Thor Young, with over three years of professional trading experience and more than a year as a BBT moderator, is dedicated to creating clear, high-quality educational content to simplify market complexities. His trading journey began while working for an options trading platform, sparking a fascination with market execution. After over a decade in IT, Thor's priorities shifted when his daughter, Allie, was diagnosed with nonverbal autism. His family relocated so Allie could attend a private autism school, and Thor left IT to focus on his family. During this time, he discovered Andrew's book, which inspired him to pursue trading. Since joining BBT, Thor has worked tirelessly to achieve consistent profitability and support his trading community.



### **Michael Baehr**

Michael retired as a Sergeant Major after 23 years in the U.S. Marine Corps, where he taught strategic leadership, mentorship, and discipline. In 2018, he discovered Andrew's book, *How to Day Trade for a Living*, which inspired him to pursue trading. Recognizing the dedication required, he joined Bear Bull Traders as a lifetime member, attended educational classes, crafted a business plan, and studied trading psychology, all to prepare for a successful full-time trading career after retirement.



### **Peter Donnelly**

Peter, with over 25 years of experience as a global business management and IT executive, has been a swing and day trader throughout his career. He now trades full-time with Bear Bull Traders and serves as a moderator in the live chatroom, having joined in 2017 after discovering that Andrew's first book resonated with his trading style. Outside of trading, Peter is passionate about mental health and serves on the board of several charities. He enjoys single-track mountain biking, adventure races, auto racing, and international travel, and is happily married with three grown children.



### **Megan Marlow**

Megan is a day trader and professional plant-based chef, who began exploring day trading in 2019 after reading Andrew's book. When the pandemic hit in 2020 and the hospitality industry shut down, she decided to pursue trading full-time, immersing herself in learning about the markets. After joining BBT and finding her trading edge, Megan knew she was committed to the journey. Outside of trading, she enjoys high-intensity sports, biohacking, and mastering new skills, and is happily married with two pups, Celine and Dion. As Megan says, "Anything can be learned."



### **Paras Jandwani**

Paras is a Software Engineering Manager at a Fortune Global Top 100 company. Originally from India and now in the USA, he developed an early passion for financial markets, noting stock symbols and quotes in 8th grade. He became Level 3 certified by the National Stock Exchange (India) and briefly pursued a Master's in Financial Engineering before realizing day trading was his true passion. In 2015, after reading Andrew's book, *How to Day Trade for a Living*, Paras joined Bear Bull Traders and has since expanded into swing and options trading.



### **John Raaf**

John served two tours in Vietnam with the U.S. Navy and later earned a BA in English. He spent 25 years as the publisher of an international equestrian magazine and has worked as a marketing and business consultant in various industries. John has owned several businesses, including a record store and a diaper store in Buenos Aires. At 31, he discovered tennis, competed in the Mid-Atlantic region, and achieved a #1 doubles ranking in the 35 and 60 age divisions. He still teaches tennis and competes at the club level, alongside his new passion for day trading.



### **Lenny Winnemuller**

Lenny, originally from Amsterdam, holds an honors degree in psychology from the University of Amsterdam and worked in the anti-fraud department of a major Dutch bank. He enjoys socializing, traveling, reading, and spending time with his family, and speaks Spanish. Lenny's curiosity led him to Andrew Aziz's book, *How to Day Trade for a Living*, sparking his passion for day trading. With extensive experience at a proprietary trading firm and as an independent trader, he now focuses on the mental development necessary for successful day trading in the U.S. stock market.



### **Avi Mahtani**

Born in Sri Lanka, raised in Dubai, and now based in Dubai, Avi is a full-time day trader, mentor, and contrarian investor. After graduating from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Avi worked as a flight instructor but retired at 25 to pursue his passion for flying. In 2017, he discovered contrarian investing, and in 2019, after reading Andrew's first book, he became hooked on day trading. With an 80/20 approach to trading, Avi has achieved the lifestyle and freedoms day trading offers. Drawing from his experience as a flight instructor, he now mentors aspiring traders. Outside of trading, Avi enjoys flying, surfing, off-roading, snowboarding, and spending time with his two kids.

# Event Schedule\*

**Day One | Saturday March 29th | TEDx BBT — UBC Robson Square**

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9:00 AM	<p><b>Check-in &amp; Welcome:</b> Start your TEDx BBT in Vancouver experience by checking in and receiving your event materials.</p>
10:00 AM	<p><b>Session One: Achievement</b> <b>Darren Dahl / Josh Dueck / Julie Hay</b></p> <p>Explore the journey to success, as speakers share personal stories of hard work, inspiration, and dedication that led them to reach their initial goals. This session celebrates the pursuit and realization of dreams, highlighting what it means to achieve something truly remarkable.</p>
11:00 AM	<p><b>Break</b></p>
11:30 AM	<p><b>Session Two: Adversity</b> <b>Jay DeMerit / Farces / Rande Howell / Pete Armstrong</b></p> <p>Life doesn't always move upward. In this session, speakers open up about the challenges and setbacks faced after their success—unexpected obstacles, failures, and loss. These stories reveal the reality of adversity and the strength required to confront it.</p>
12:30 PM	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
2:00 PM	<p><b>Session Three: Recovery</b> <b>Mark Black / Locksley Blaylock / Drew Dudley</b></p> <p>How do you rebuild when it feels like everything has fallen apart? This session dives into the mental resilience, support systems, and mindsets that helped individuals rise again after hitting rock bottom. It's about finding courage, redefining purpose, and learning to move forward.</p>
3:00 PM	<p><b>Break</b></p>
3:30 PM	<p><b>Session Four: Surpass</b> <b>Mike Cameron / Chris Edwards / Yash Sonchhatra</b></p> <p>Ending on a powerful note, this session is about not just reclaiming past success but exceeding it. Speakers share inspiring accounts of how their journeys evolved beyond their original goals, showcasing the power of persistence, transformation, and surpassing limitations.</p>
4:30 PM	<p><b>Cocktail Reception</b></p>

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# Event Schedule\*

Day Two | Sunday March 30th | Live Trading Summit — Paradox Hotel

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10:00 AM	<b>Check-in &amp; Welcome:</b> Start your Live Trading Summit experience by checking in and receiving your event materials.
11:00 AM	<b>Lifestyle 1</b> Andrew Aziz presentation.
11:30 AM	<b>Psychology 1</b> From Excitement to Reality: Navigating the Challenges of Trading and the Path to Mastery with Mike Baehr.
12:30 AM	<b>Strategy 1</b> The Art of Printing Money using the 80/20 Principle with Avi Mahtani.
11:30 AM	<b>Lunch</b>
2:00 PM	<b>Psychology 2</b> Mindfulness in Trading: Staying Present to Enhance Performance with Julia Hay.
2:30 PM	<b>Strategy 2</b> Advanced Price Action – Thinking Beyond Setups with Paras Jandwani.
3:30 PM	<b>Strategy 3</b> Developing a Winning Futures Trading Strategy: From Analysis to Execution with Thor Young.
4:00 PM	<b>Break</b> Coffee & Snacks.
4:30 PM	<b>Lifestyle 2</b> Maximizing the Human Experience with Leanna Privette.
5:00 PM	<b>Psychology 2</b> Kill the Old You: Rise as a High Performer with Megan Marlow.

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# Event Schedule\*

Day Three | Monday March 31st | Live Trading Summit — Paradox Hotel

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5:30 AM	<b>Coffee</b>
5:30 AM	<b>Premarket Prep</b> Carlos and Peter
6:15 AM	<b>Live Trading</b> Andrew & Brian
7:15 AM	<b>Psychology 3</b> The Secret to Becoming a Consistently Profitable Trader with Rande Howell.
8:15 AM	<b>Psychology 4</b> The mindshift: Developing a Trader's Brain for Lasting Success with Dr. Chapland.
9:15 AM	<b>Breakfast</b> Breakfast buffet
10:15 AM	<b>Strategy 4</b> How to scalp momentum at the open with Lenny Winnemuller.
11:15 AM	<b>Strategy 5</b> Decoding Price Action: The Role of Volume in Trading Decisions with Pier-Élie Bouchard.
12:15 PM	<b>Strategy 6</b> Credit Harvester: Using SPX to Farm the Market with Jarad Champagne.
1:15 PM	<b>Close out/Surveys</b> Wrap up the event with a quick survey to share your feedback and help us improve future sessions.

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# Venues & Accommodations

Day One | Saturday March 29th | TEDx BBT in Vancouver

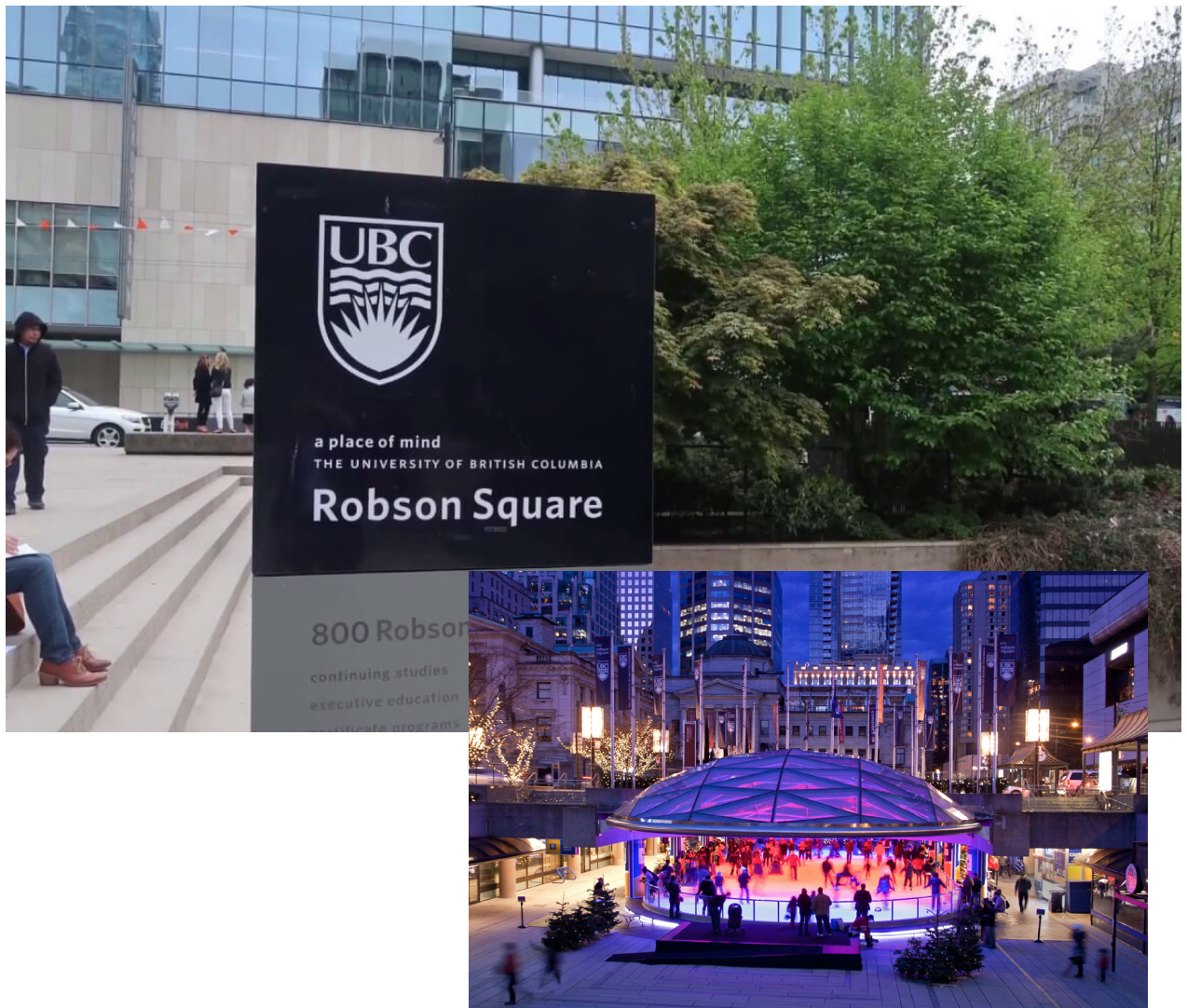
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## UBC Robson Square

We chose UBC Robson Square for TEDx BBT in Vancouver because it is located at the heart of Vancouver's vibrant downtown core, designed by world-renowned architect Arthur Erickson. This iconic civic complex, home to the Law Courts, government offices, and the Vancouver Art Gallery, sits at the intersection of the city's social, cultural, and business districts, making it the perfect location for fostering meaningful connections and inspiring discussions. Its central location reflects the spirit of our event, bringing together diverse ideas in a space that represents innovation and community.

### Address:

1800 Robson Street  
Vancouver, British Columbia





# Venues & Accommodations

Day Two & Three | Sunday-Monday March 30-31 | Live Trading Summit

## Paradox Hotel Vancouver

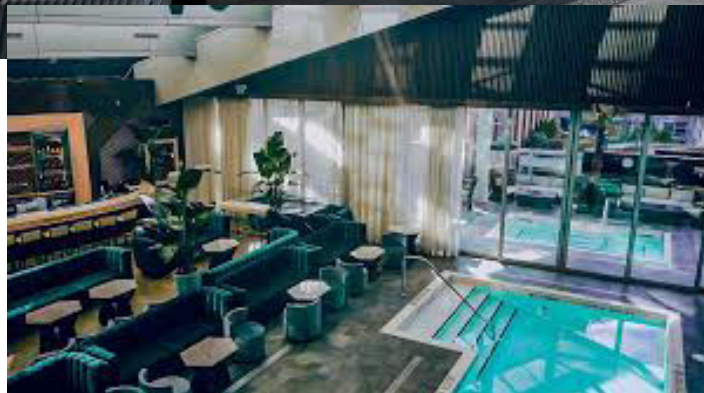
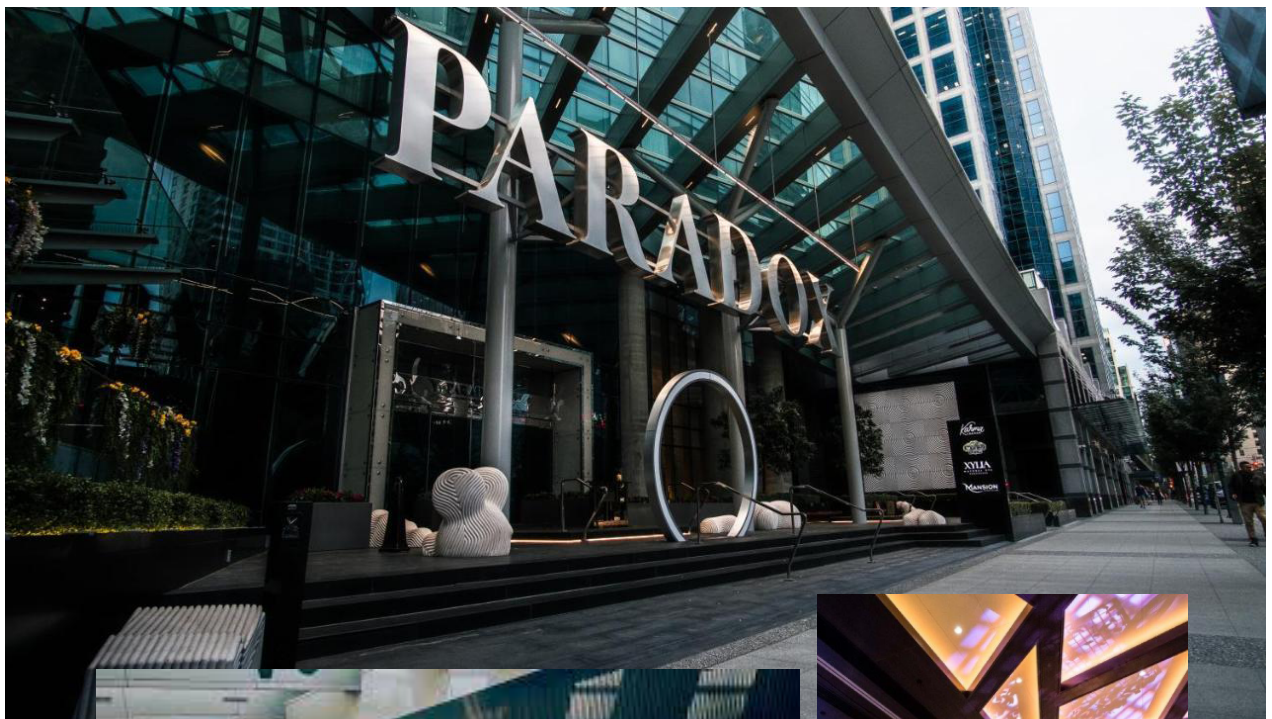
The Paradox Hotel in Vancouver, with its modern luxury, stylish rooms, and unbeatable downtown location, perfectly aligns with our vision for the Living Stock Trading Summit, offering a sophisticated and convenient setting for networking, learning, and connecting. To enhance your experience, the hotel is offering attendees an **exclusive 30% discount on bookings until March 6th**.

### Book Your Stay:

- March 29th-31st, 2025 (2 nights)
- 30% discount offer on the best available rate of every room type
- Cut-off date: March 6th, 2025 (21 days prior)

### Address:

1161 West Georgia Street  
+1 (236) 900-6001



# Venues & Accommodations

## Local Hotels Within Walking Distance

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### **Marriott Pinnacle Downtown**

1128 W Hastings Street  
+1 (604) 684-1128



### **Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront**

1133 West Hastings Street  
+1 (604) 689-9211



### **Exchange Hotel Vancouver**

475 Howe Street  
+1 (604) 563-4693



### **Fairmont Waterfront**

900 Canada Place  
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