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Our 10th annual Best of the City readers' poll is the largest in *WE's* history, and it reflects a city that's firmly established in its likes and dislikes, yet eagerly open to the new and different, too. An unprecedented number of you weighed in with your top picks of over 150 people, places and things — from entertainment to food to local politics, and more. Thanks to all the readers who sent in a ballot. Now read on...

PEOPLE

Visionary

1. David Suzuki
2. Larry Campbell • Sam Sullivan (tie)
3. Jim Pattison

Votes from the peanut gallery: "Me" • "They're all blind" • "Vikram Vij"

Unsung hero

1. Aaron Jasper
2. Barb Payne
3. Jim Green

Votes from the peanut gallery: "Me" • "Mom" • "The guy outside the Broadway liquor store"

Village idiot

1. Sam Sullivan
2. Gordon Campbell
3. David Emerson

Votes from the peanut gallery: "People who don't move to the back of the bus" • "Those TransLink idiots"

Politician who should be a comedian

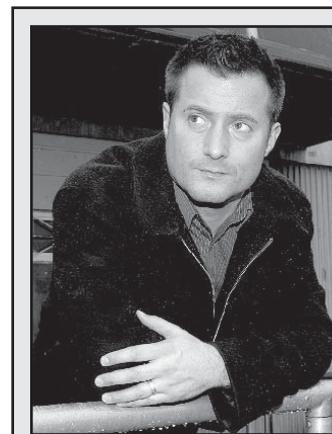
1. Sam Sullivan
 2. Gordon Campbell
 3. Lorne Mayencourt
- (Although not local, Stephen Harper actually placed first)

Mover / shaker

1. Sam Sullivan
2. Jim Pattison • Bruce Allen (tie)
3. Bob Rennie • Carole Taylor (tie)

Vote from the peanut gallery: "The earthquake fault beneath our feet"

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AARON JASPER

Unsung hero

If there's a committee or a meeting going on in the West End, you can bet that Aaron Jasper is a part of it. The director of the West End Residents Association sits on just about every board in the neighbourhood, and has worked tirelessly on local issues such as protecting affordable housing, the redevelopment of Nelson Park, and the bid to save St. Paul's Hospital. Monday night meetings are about as boring as life gets, but Jasper's commitment to the community has helped make the West End a better place for everyone.



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