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Entertainment to make you move, celebrate personal victories at the core of race day schedule of events.

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Whistler, BC The North Face Whistler Half Marathon is proud to announce its entertainment lineup for Whistler Olympic Plaza on race day, June 2nd.

Whistler Olympic Plaza plays host to the Gore-Tex main stage – the focal point of race day activities. The North Face Whistler Half Marathon is a running event at its roots, but the core is built upon an experience, not just for the runners, but also for the volunteers, families, spectators, the community, and our partners of the event. 'In year 2 our race management team has had a focus on stepping it up a notch, and that is just what is planned on race weekend" says Dave Clark, race director.

Race day starts at 7am for athletes planning to walk the course, while runners will depart from Whistler Olympic Plaza at 7:30, following a warm up and singing of Oh Canada. Upon their return to the finish line at Whistler Olympic Plaza, athletes will be able to refuel at the post run food station while listening to the sounds of Whistler's own Rutherford Creek Trio playing a wide selection of awesome cover tunes.

Following the Little Rippers kids run, presented by Rokmaster Resources is the North Shore Credit Union Awards Ceremony where prize money and age category awards will be distributed. Door prizes will be numerous at the awards ceremony as well, and you have to be there to win – so all athletes are encouraged to attend.

The celebrations at Whistler Olympic Plaza continue after the awards ceremony when our headline entertainment takes stage and will certainly have the whole family involved and captivated. Test Pilot and Matsui808 from The Digital Mountain Tribe (Whistler) will play ragga dub and world beats with a drum display by master drummer Mbuyiselo "Munkie" Ncapayi from The Drum Café (Vancouver).



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Following the performance an interactive workshop with drumming facilitators and 300 drums will teach the audience rhythms and get you banging with Munkie and others. Munkie and the crew from Drum Café are currently contracted to the Vancouver Whitecaps and provide on field entertainment at all Whitecaps home games. This is one event not to be missed, as it stands to be one of the largest public drumming displays ever held in British Columbia.

For more information on the The North Face Whistler Half Marathon and general race weekend details, or to visit our media room with past media releases and story starters, please visit:

www.whistlerhalfmarathon.com

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About The North Face Whistler Half Marathon

Canada's hottest half-marathon will take place June 2, 2012 in Whistler, BC, one of North America's premier mountain resort destinations. Produced by Whistler Friends (www.whistlerfriends.com), a non-profit event producer, The North Face Whistler Half Marathon has chosen the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation (CCFC) as its primary charity, with \$5 from every registration being donated to the CCFC. For more information on the CCFC, please visit www.ccfc.ca