

Club W presents...

The WOODSQUAT COMMEMORATIVE POOL-PARTY

In the Fall of 2002 anti-poverty activists and homeless community members from the Downtown East Side illegally occupied the long neglected Woodwards building to demand an end to homelessness. This brave and controversial action had a direct effect not only on the City of Vancouver's housing policies, but on the development of the Woodwards building itself. It is directly because of their contribution to this site's history that Westbank Projects and Peterson Investment Group developed the celebrated Woodwards District with its extraordinary social mix and its 200 units of non-market housing.

As a display of the deep gratitude felt towards the activists and community members involved we are hosting a party to commemorate the 9th anniversary of what has become known as the WOODSQUAT. All persons who were involved are invited to come and enjoy food and drinks at *club W* while swimming in the W-shaped hot tub.

"The big key issue that allowed [the building of the Woodwards District] to happen was the grassroots community support that really started with the Woodsquat ... which allowed this to take roots and have the wings with which to be built."

- Gregory Henriquez of Henriquez Partners Architects, lead designer of the Woodward's Building speaking in 2011.

Contact wpool.party@gmail.com for more information.

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7-10pm | 18+ | Free Roof of the Woodward's District Condominium