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CTV News Vancouver Announces Major Refresh of Daily Newscasts, Beginning Today

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- **CTV News Vancouver delivers a top-to-tail refresh of the station’s locally focused newscasts, including new set designs, updated on-set technology, and more –**
- **The station launches its very first podcast, *BTS WITH CTV NEWS VANCOUVER*, hosted and produced by veteran reporter Penny Daflos –**
- **CTV News Vancouver debuts new weather app, focusing on up-to-the-minute weather news from across British Columbia –**

VANCOUVER (April 9, 2018) – [CTV News Vancouver](#) announced today a major refresh of the station’s locally focused newscasts, beginning **today (Monday, April 9)** and with changes to roll out throughout the month of April. CTV News Vancouver will unveil numerous updates to the station’s daily newscasts, including new set designs, updated on-set technology, and a variety of new digital products.

As part of these comprehensive changes, CTV News Vancouver’s team of trusted news anchors will evolve, including the departure of co-anchors [Mike Killeen](#) and [Tamara Taggart](#) and the shifting of other anchors into new timeslots. Complete details for each newscast will be confirmed in the coming weeks.

The station confirmed today that experienced weather anchor [Krissy Vann](#) joins CTV News Vancouver to deliver comprehensive weather updates during the station’s weekend broadcasts. Previously, Vann delivered breaking news and weather updates as a Vancouver bureau video

journalist with The Weather Network.

“Comprehensive local news is a critical element of a strong community, and we’re very excited to evolve our newscasts to serve audiences even better,” said Les Staff, News Director, CTV News Vancouver. “This month we’ll debut a variety of new broadcast and digital elements that we think viewers will connect with. This refresh is the latest step in our ongoing commitment to deliver the most trusted breaking news and valuable context behind the most significant stories of the day.”

“On behalf of all of us here at CTV News Vancouver, a most sincere thanks to Mike and Tamara for keeping Vancouverites informed about their city each and every day,” continued Staff. “Mike and Tamara are consummate professionals, and we wish them the very best on what’s to come.”

Viewer-favourite segments such as [MCLAUGHLIN ON YOUR SIDE](#) and [THE LAST WORD WITH MIKE MCCARDELL](#) will remain part of CTV News Vancouver’s daily newscasts.

CTV News Vancouver launches several new elements across digital platforms in conjunction with the refresh, highlighted by the station’s first podcast, [BTS WITH CTV NEWS VANCOUVER](#). Hosted and produced by veteran reporter [Penny Daflos](#), the podcast takes listeners behind the scenes and behind the stories at CTV News Vancouver. Listeners can look for new weekly episodes of the podcast on iTunes, Google Play, and Stitcher.

Additionally, CTV News Vancouver debuts the station’s brand new weather app, focusing on up-to-the-minute weather news from across British Columbia, which is available now for download on [iOS](#) and [Android](#) devices.

CTV News Vancouver produces comprehensive local news programming throughout the week, including CTV MORNING LIVE, CTV NEWS AT NOON, CTV NEWS AT FIVE, CTV NEWS AT SIX, and CTV NEWS AT 11:30.



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