

With only a few weeks to go before Vancouver brightest startups assemble *Avengers*-style for Vancouver Startup Week (September 26 to 30), now is the time to [snag your reserved spot](#) at VSW's hottest, can't - miss events.

Here's a sneak peek at the Top 10 Can't - Miss Events at Vancouver Startup Week.

10. [STARTUP OPEN HOUSE](#) Thursday Sept. 22△ 3:00 - 8:00pm

Although not part of VSW, this free event invites the public to tour the quirky spaces of local tech startups. Meet smart people doing cool things, or just kick back and play some foosball. We suggest dropping in on big players like [Slack](#), [Quietly](#), [Wantoo](#) and [Later](#).

9. [Intro to INSTAGRAM MARKETING](#) Tuesday Sept. 27△ 5:30 - 7:30pm

Whether you're looking to build your personal brand, or engage with new audiences, this workshop led by Conner Galway of [Junction Creative Solutions](#) will take you through the ins (and outs) of Instagram.

8. [TOP 4 EMPLOYMENT LAW ISSUES for STARTUPS](#) Wednesday Sept. 28△ 2:00 - 3:30pm

Erin Kizell of [Kent Employment Law](#) offers proactive solutions to common issues faced by growing startups. From *calculating severance pay* to *minimum requirements for overtime*, this one-hour session offers in-depth legal advice, for free! With only 12 seats available, this is a can't - miss for sure: you'll want to get on this one fast.

7. [VIRTUAL REALITY on MOBILE](#) Friday Sept. 30△ 1:00 - 3:00pm

What's next for virtual reality? Discuss the potential of tracked headsets like the [HTC Vive](#), versus mobile VR tech like the [Samsung Gear](#) and upcoming [Google Daydream](#) in this session led by Sean Huang, CEO and Co Founder of Morfus Mixed Reality.



Credit: Daily Hive

6. **[#TechVAN at HOOTSUITE](#) Tuesday Sept. 27△ 6:00 - 10:00pm**

With a handful of 5-minute TED style presentations, this featured event from the #TechVAN meetup group promises to bring together tech leaders and entrepreneurs for a fun night of growth and knowledge exchange. Confirmed speakers include Jennifer Li of [MuseFind](#), Rob Bucci of [STAT](#), and Jordan Gutierrez of [wishpond](#).

5. **[GOAL SETTING \(OKRs\) for your STARTUP](#) Wednesday Sept. 28△ 11:00 - 12:00pm**

[7Geese](#) gives you the rundown on the indispensable tool used by Google and LinkedIn to create strong alignment across their teams. Learn how goal-setting can transform your

company and lead to big gains all around.



Credit: OMB/Ema Peter

4. **[VR DEMO DAY](#) Friday Sept. 30△ 3:00 - 6:00pm**

See how local indie developers are incorporating virtual reality into their newest games. Join

[Mythical City Games](#), [Hammer & Tusk](#), [Futuretown](#), [Metanaut](#), [cognitiveVR](#), and [LNG Studios](#) for an interactive show and tell on the fifth floor of the beautiful TELUS Garden downtown.

3. **[#VSQ2016 RECRUITMENT FAIR](#) Wednesday Sept. 28△ 7:00 - 9:00pm**

Whether you're scouting for top talent, or looking to rub shoulders with the who's who of Vancouver Startup Week, drop by the party at TELUS World of Science for the official VSW recruitment fair. With over 400+ job seekers and more than 30 companies, it's going to be a full house.

2. **[#HackVSW HACKATHON](#) Friday Sept. 23 - Sunday Sept. 25**

With only 48 hours to develop the "best, smartest, and most impactful product" watch (or join!) more than 250 developers duke it out for a \$5,000 cash prize from [BCLC](#), \$10,000 in-kind development services from [Two Tall Totems](#), and \$2,500 in legal services from [MLT Lawyers](#). If nothing else, be sure to check out the demos and final judging on Sunday September 25 from 4:00 to 6:00pm.



Credit: PADS

1. **PEOPLE, PUPPIES & PING PONG PARTY** Tuesday Sept. 27△ 5:00 - 7:00pm

BLANKSLATE's very own can't - miss event! We're bringing together some of the greatest *People* in the local Vancouver start up community to call BS on the stereotype that you're not a **real** start up if you don't have a *Ping Pong* table and *Puppies* in the office. And what better way to do this than play ping pong, drink some beer, and raise some funds for the assistance dog charity [PADS!](#) P.S. If you see a cute dog at Vancouver Startup Week, be sure to use **#VSWpups** to tag it!

