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The parade begins promptly at 2:00 pm and will proceed south on Main Street from Church Street past Gage Park and ending at Frederick Street.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.brampton.ca/flowercityparade>

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2009

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Come - celebrate with us!

Ontario finds a reason to celebrate in every season. Savour the dazzling array of Ontario festivals, events and fairs from world-renowned to unique and local.

Throughout the province of Ontario, there are over three thousand festivals and community events staged each year. No wonder, Ontario is a favourite destination of festival and event goers thanks to the variety of events and celebrations that reflect its diversity through the arts, sports, or history.

Whatever makes you laugh, smile or just have a feeling of enjoyment, Ontario's events will entertain you!

The Festivals & Events in Ontario guide, April 2009 - April 2010 edition*, offers both residents and visitors a chance to explore the unique and familiar. It is chock full of many favourites that continue to fascinate and captivate people from all over the world every year.

For additional event listings, please visit: **www.festivalsandeventsontario.ca** or **www.ontariotravel.net** and check out the current Calendar of Events.

Come to Ontario where there's always something to celebrate.

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* Some events change or are cancelled after the publication of this guide. Please check www.ontariotravel.net for current listings and cancellations.

how to use this guide

Festivals and events can be easily located in the guide by date, or by event location in the Regional Index pages 117 to 126.

The months of the year are colour-coded to help you search for the event of your choice by date.

 april	 september
 may	 october
 june	 november
 july	 winter - december to april 2010
 august	

Festivals and events are selected for inclusion based on their tourism value.

Each year, Festivals & Events Ontario selects the Top 100 Events in Ontario. These events are colour-highlighted within the months they occur. See pages 9, 10 and 11 for the complete list of the Top 100 Events in Ontario.

These symbols help to identify if the event is wheelchair accessible, which region in Ontario it is located (see page 6), and if it is a member of Festivals & Events Ontario (FEO).

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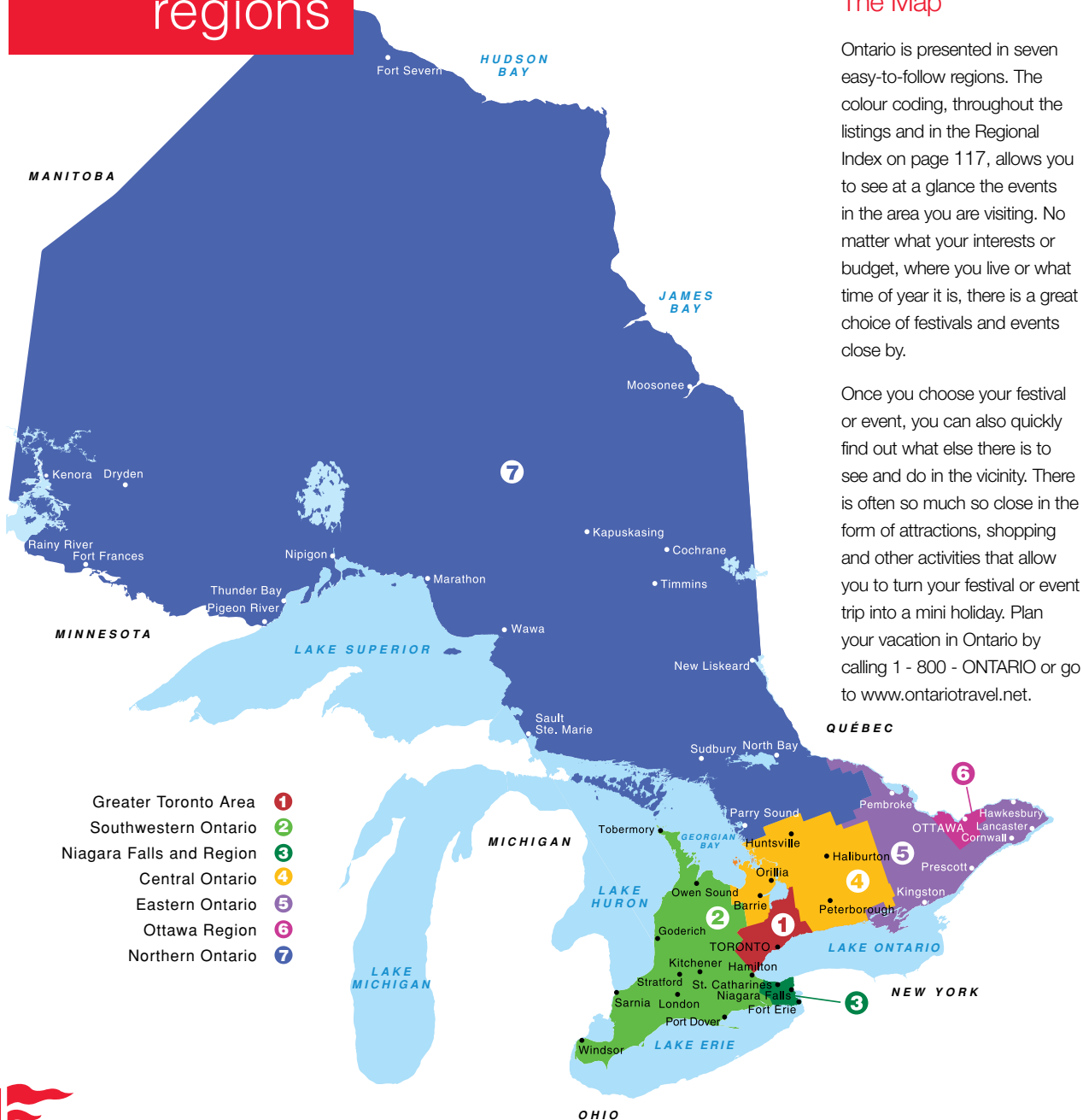
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ontario regions



The Map

Ontario is presented in seven easy-to-follow regions. The colour coding, throughout the listings and in the Regional Index on page 117, allows you to see at a glance the events in the area you are visiting. No matter what your interests or budget, where you live or what time of year it is, there is a great choice of festivals and events close by.

Once you choose your festival or event, you can also quickly find out what else there is to see and do in the vicinity. There is often so much so close in the form of attractions, shopping and other activities that allow you to turn your festival or event trip into a mini holiday. Plan your vacation in Ontario by calling 1 - 800 - ONTARIO or go to www.ontariotravel.net.

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This guide has been developed by Festivals & Events Ontario in partnership with the Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Corporation to assist you with timely, easy to use information about festivals and events that take place throughout the year. Festivals & Events Ontario is a membership driven, not for profit organization.

Please share your thoughts with us on how we could improve the guide and make it more useful to you. As well, visit the Festivals & Events Ontario website www.festivalsandeventsontario.ca and Ontario Travel website www.ontariotravel.net for further event listings throughout the year.

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Festivals & Events Ontario is pleased to announce its 2009 **Top 100 Festivals & Events**. Included in the Top 100 are the **Festivals & Events of Distinction**, a select group of 18 which represent some of the most well-known and respected celebrations in the province - celebrations which draw both an international and a domestic audience.

Top 100 recipients represent festivals and events that excel within the industry.

Solicitations for Top 100 consideration were completed in the fall of 2008. Selections were made in early 2009 by a independent panel of judges operating under a set of predefined criteria.

Festivals & Events of Distinction for 2009:

may

- **Canadian Tulip Festival**
(Ottawa) May 1-18

june

- **Luminato - Toronto Festival of Arts & Creativity** (Toronto) June 5-14
- **Canadian International Military Tattoo** (Hamilton) June 13-14
- **TD Canada Trust Toronto Jazz Festival** (Toronto) June 26-July 5
- **Toronto Pride Week** (Toronto) June 19-28
- **TD Canada Trust Ottawa International Jazz Festival** (Ottawa) June 25-July 5

july

- **Canada Day** (Ottawa) July 1
- **Cisco Ottawa Bluesfest** (Ottawa) July 9-19
- **Scotiabank Toronto Caribana Festival** (Toronto) July 14-Aug 2

august

- **Rogers Cup** (Toronto) Aug 15-23
- **Canadian National Exhibition** (Toronto) Aug 21-Sep 7

september

- **Toronto International Film Festival** (Toronto) Sep 10-19
- **Niagara Wine Festival** (St. Catharines) Sep 18-27

october

- **Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest** (Kitchener-Waterloo) Oct 9-17

november

- **Winter Festival of Lights** (Niagara Falls) Nov 11-Jan 4
- **Royal Agricultural Winter Fair** (Toronto) Nov 6-15

february

- **Winterlude** (Ottawa) Feb 5-21, 2010

march

- **Canada Blooms** (Toronto) Mar 19-23, 2010



FESTIVALS & EVENTS ONTARIO

Additional Top 100 Festivals & Events for 2009:

april

- **Doors Open Ontario**
48 separate events within the province
April 25-Oct 17

may

- **Retrofest** (Chatham) May 22-24
- **Carassauga-Festival of Culture** (Mississauga) May 22-24
- **Thunder Bay Kite Festival** (Thunder Bay) May 31st

june

- **Dundas International Buskerfest** (Dundas) June 5-7
- **Re-enactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek** (Stoney Creek) June 6-7
- **IlluminAqua** (Welland) June 12-Sep 4
- **Carrousel of the Nations - A Fusion of Cultures** (Windsor) June 12-28
- **Niagara Italian Festival** (Thorold) June 18-20
- **Burlington's Sound of Music Festival** (Burlington) June 18-21
- **Mississauga Waterfront Festival** (Mississauga) June 19-21
- **Oshawa Fiesta Week** (Oshawa) June 21-27
- **Canadian Redneck Games** (Minto) June 26-28
- **Oakville Waterfront Festival** (Oakville) June 26-28
- **Canada Dry Festival of Fire** (Toronto) June 27, July 1, 4

july

- **Canada Day Celebrations** (Oshawa) July 1st
- **It's Your Festival** (Hamilton) July 1-5
- **Toronto Fringe Festival** (Toronto) July 1-12
- **World Heritage Sunset Ceremonies**
Wed. only (Kingston) July 1-Aug 26
- **RBG Earth Art** (Burlington) July 1-Oct 13

- **Friendship Festival** (Fort Erie) July 2-5
- **Huntsville Festival of the Arts** (Huntsville) July 3-25
- **The Blue Mountains Chili Cookoff** (Town of Blue Mountains) July 4th
- **Rogers Sarnia Bayfest** (Sarnia) July 9-11, 17-18
- **Essex Fun Fest** (Essex) July 9-12
- **Holstein Rodeo Festival** (Holstein) July 9-12
- **TD Canada Trust Sunfest - Canada's Premier Celebration of World Cultures** (London) July 9-12
- **Art of Being Green** (Lanark) July 10-12
- **Porquis Blues Festival** (Porquis Junction) July 10-12
- **Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition** (Toronto) July 10-12
- **Classic Cars & Legendary Stars** (Brampton) July 16-18
- **Home County Folk Festival** (London) July 16-19
- **Mount Forest Fireworks Festival** (Mount Forest) July 17-19
- **Collingwood Elvis Festival** (Collingwood) July 23-26
- **Fergus Truck Show** (Fergus) July 23-26
- **Hanover Sights & Sounds Festival** (Hanover) July 23-25
- **Mattawa Voyageur Days** (Mattawa) July 23-26
- **Hillside Festival** (Guelph) July 24-26
- **Kapuskasing Lumberjack Heritage Festival** (Kapuskasing) July 24-26
- **Ottawa International Chamber Music Festival** (Ottawa) July 25-Aug 8
- **Rockhound Gemboree** (Bancroft) July 30-Aug 2
- **Glengarry Highland Games** (Maxville) July 31-Aug 1
- **Rideau Canal Festival** (Ottawa) July 31-Aug 3
- **Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival** (Port Colborne) July 31-Aug 3
- **Kempfest** (Barrie) July 31-Aug 3



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august

- **Muslimfest** (Mississauga) Aug 1st
- **Alliston Potato Festival** (Alliston) Aug 7-9
- **Fergus Scottish Festival & Highland Games** (Fergus) Aug 7-9
- **Kingston Sheep Dog Trials** (Kingston) Aug 7-9
- **Buckhorn Fine Arts Festival** (Buckhorn) Aug 13-16
- **Dundas Cactus Festival** (Dundas) Aug 13-16
- **Summerfolk Music & Crafts Festival** (Owen Sound) Aug 14-16
- **Iron Horse Festival** (St. Thomas) Aug 20-23
- **Scotiabank Toronto International Buskers Festival** (Toronto) Aug 27-30
- **Tecumseh Corn Festival** (Tecumseh) Aug 27-30
- **Winona Peach Festival** (Winona) Aug 28-30

september

- **Burlington Rotary Ribfest: Canada's Largest Ribfest** (Burlington) Sep 4-7
- **Shores of Erie International Wine Festival** (Amherstburg) Sep 10-13
- **Tim Horton's Southside Shuffle Blues and Jazz Festival** (Mississauga) Sep 11-13
- **Western Fair** (London) Sep 11-20
- **Taste of the Kingsway** (Toronto) Sep 12-13
- **Bushplane Days** (Sault Ste. Marie) Sep 19-20
- **Fort Fright** (Kingston) Sep 25-Nov 7
- **TASTE: A Celebration of Regional Cuisine** (Picton) Sep 26th
- **Ruthven Apple Festival** (Ruthven) Sep 26-27
- **Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon** (Toronto) Sep 27th
- **The Word on the Street** (Toronto) Sep 27th

october

- **Niagara Food Festival** (Welland) Oct 2-4
- **Port Elgin Pumpkinfest** (Port Elgin) Oct 3-4
- **Norfolk County Fair & Horse Show** (Norfolk) Oct 6-12
- **Ball's Falls Thanksgiving Festival** (Ball's Falls) Oct 9-12
- **Rockton World's Fair** (Rockton) Oct 9-12

november

- **Windsor International Film Festival** (Windsor) Nov 6-15
- **River Lights Winter Festival** (Amherstburg) Nov 20-Jan 4
- **Festival of Northern Lights** (Owen Sound) Nov 20-Jan 3
- **First Light** (Midland) Nov 26-28
- **Simcoe Christmas Panorama** (Simcoe) Nov 28-Jan 3

december

- **New Year's Eve Niagara Falls** (Niagara Falls) Dec 31st

february

- **Bon Soo Winter Carnival** (Sault Ste. Marie) Feb 5-14
- **Barrie Winterfest and Festival of Ice** (Barrie) Feb 6-7
- **Cobourg Winter Festival** (Cobourg) Feb 20-21

march

- **Maple in the County 2010** (Prince Edward County) Mar 27-28



april

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The Freshness of Spring

Now is the time to say farewell to winter grey and welcome the fresh green of spring. Celebrate the arrival



of the sun and sample sweet maple treats at the **Elmira Maple Syrup Festival** or the **Buckhorn MapleFest**. Environmental fun for the whole family can be had at the many

Earth Day celebrations across Ontario. Visit **Port Rowan, Newmarket** and **Toronto** to raise your awareness about sustainable living. Spring also brings a chance to peek inside Ontario's most intriguing heritage sites during **Doors Open Ontario**, as it begins its summer-long offering in small town Ontario. Delight in the sweet sounds of spring at the **Festival of Brass** in **Toronto** for three concerts of youth,

community and professional music-making. Enjoy both art and music at the **Festival of the Arts** in **South Simcoe**, with choral workshops and concert as well as an arts showcase.



april

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Apr 1 – Oct 31, Doors Open Ontario 2009 Province Wide



Explore the province's heritage sites during Doors Open Ontario 2009. Community events run from April - October. Call 1-800-ONTARIO for the Doors Open Ontario Guide or visit our website.

See ad on page 18.

T: (416) 325-5000

W: www.doorsopenontario.on.ca 1 ★

Apr 1 – Nov 1, Shaw Theatre Festival Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

One of the world's finest theatre companies, the Shaw Festival is a celebration of plays by Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries and plays about the period of Shaw's lifetime.

T: 1-800-511-7429

W: www.shawfest.com 3

Apr 3 – 4, Springtime Canal Bank Shuffle Thorold, Niagara Falls and Region

A two-day Blues festival at various locations throughout Thorold.

T: (905) 680-9477

W: www.canalbankshuffle.com 3

Apr 3 – 5, Northern Aboriginal Festival Sudbury, Northern Ontario

The Northern Aboriginal Festival is part of the 125 Greater Sudbury Anniversary celebrations and will include a PowWow and a vendors market featuring food, crafts, Native artisans, and information.

T: (705) 674-4455

W: www.mysudbury.ca 7 ★

Apr 3 – 5, Dayco National Snowcross Championships Barrie, Central Ontario

Hundreds of the world best snowmobile racers will compete on the Horseshoe ski hills for Canadian National Championships. The event also features demo rides on the new 2010 model snowmobiles.

T: (905) 868-6145

W: www.snowcross.com 4 ★

Apr 3 – 5, Festival of Brass Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Hannaford Street Silver Band's 6th annual Festival of Brass presents three concerts of youth, community and professional music-making.

T: (416) 366-7723

W: www.stlc.com 1

Apr 4, Elmira Maple Syrup Festival Elmira, Southwestern Ontario

Family event to welcome Spring featuring pancakes with Maple Syrup, Sugarbush Tours, Craft Show and Sale, Antique and Collectibles Show and Sale, Toy Show and Sale, Petting Zoo, mall with food and craft vendors.

T: (519) 669-2605

W: www.elmiramaplesyrup.com 2

Apr 4, Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny River Race Port Hope, Central Ontario

The Annual Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny River Race is a 10 km race along the Ganaraska River for kayaks, canoes and crazy crafts.

T: (905) 885-2522

W: www.porthope.ca 4 ★

Apr 4 – 5, Buckhorn MapleFest Buckhorn, Central Ontario

Numerous maple syrup displays at the traditional sugarbush and throughout the community including, Maplefeast/dance, pancake breakfast, hay rides and music.

T: (705) 657-2134

W: www.mcleanberryfarm.com/maple.html 4

Apr 4 – 5, Toronto Spring Motorcycle Show Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Toronto's Spring Motorcycle Marketplace for the best prices on all your riding needs. Dealer displays, stage events, accessory superstores, club displays, custom bike competition, and special guests.

T: (905) 655-5403

W: www.supershowevents.com 1

Apr 5, Annual Swanning Release Stratford, Southwestern Ontario

The Swans will be released from their winter quarters and marched to the Avon River to the sounds of the Perth County Pipe Band.

T: (519) 271-5140

W: www.welcometostratford.com/swans 2

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Apr 4 – 5, 8th Annual Maplefest

Hastings, Central Ontario

Celebrate Spring! Pancakes, sausage, maple baking, tours, hiking trails, family activities, taffy on snow, fresh maple syrup sales.

T: (705) 696-3511 4

Apr 4 – 7, Twisted Pines Environmental Movies Series

Midland, Central Ontario

Environmental Movie Series at Wye Marsh by Twisted Pines.

T: (705) 527-7778

W: www.twistedpines.com 4

Apr 5, Easter Around the World

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The Community Folk Art Council of Toronto and its member groups will be bringing together 18 different ethnic communities with Easter displays at the 44th Annual Easter Around the World Festival!

T: (416) 368-8743

W: www.cfactoronto.com 1

Apr 5, The Storytelling Festival of Toronto

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Harbourfront Centre and The Storytelling Festival of Toronto present a day of storytelling from around the world for all ages.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com 1 2

Apr 5 – 11, Fiddle and Step

Wingham, Southwestern Ontario

Come on down and witness the best fiddling, step dancing and singing in town!

T: (519) 357-4082

W: www.winghamheritagetheatre.com 2

Apr 9 – 11, Belmore Maple Syrup Festival

Wingham, Southwestern Ontario

Maple syrup demonstration, entertainment, crafts and homemade pancakes.

T: (519) 335-3748

W: www.huroncounty.ca 2

Apr 11 – 12, Hot Cross Buns

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Visit Dundurn Castle this Easter Weekend and try your hand at Victorian inspired Easter activities and sample hot cross buns in the historic kitchen. Fun for the whole family.

T: (905) 546-2872

W: www.hamilton.ca 2

Apr 11 – Nov 1, Stratford Shakespeare Festival

Stratford, Southwestern Ontario

North America's leading repertory theatre invites you to experience the best plays ever written, brought to dazzling life on four stages. From Shakespeare to musicals, be moved, entertained and enthralled.

T: (519) 273-1600

W: www.stratfordshakespearefestival.com 2

Apr 15 – 19, Kaleidoscope

Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Arts Burlington and the BAC present a colourful, family-oriented weekend, offering a kaleidoscope of artwork on exhibition, sales, demonstrations, and hands-on activities.

T: (905) 632-7796

W: www.burlingtonartcentre.on.ca 1

Apr 16 – 26, Toronto Hispano-American Film Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Soak up the culture and talent of the Hispanic-American film community in the city renowned for its status as Hollywood North.

T: (416) 769-8048

W: www.hispanoamericanfilm.com 1

Apr 17 – Jul 5, Festival of the Arts

Alliston, Central Ontario

Art on Main Streets of South Simcoe communities; Music Festival with professional adjudications; choral workshops and concert; showcase of South Simcoe Arts! See website for more information.

T: (705) 435-2378 4

W: www.southsimcoeartsCouncil.com

Apr 18, 9th Annual Halton Eco Festival

Oakville, Greater Toronto Area

A free-to-attend, earth day environmental fair for sustainability featuring educational presentations, kids fun zone and informative displays by environmentally-friendly businesses and organizations.

T: (905) 849-5501

W: www.haltonecofest.ca 1

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Apr 18, Earth Day Celebration

Port Rowan, Southwestern Ontario

Environmental fun for the whole family! Plant a tree, go on a hike, crafts, pond study and more outdoor fun. Meet at the Conservation Education Centre.

T: (519) 586-2201

W: www.lprca.on.ca 2

Apr 18 – 26, 17th Annual Toronto Jewish Film Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Join over 30,000 audience members at the World's largest Jewish Film Festival. See films from over 14 countries. The only film festival to offer food to its audiences.

T: (416) 967-1528

W: www.tjff.com 1

Apr 18 – May 3, Springfest

Milton, Greater Toronto Area

Pony rides, face painting, crafts, baby animals, tractor track, giant sandbox, wagon ride and farm tour, straw mazes, farm market, bakery and more!

T: (905) 878-4908

W: www.springridgefarm.com 1

Apr 18 – May 9, 28th Annual Orillia Perch Festival

Orillia, Central Ontario

Fun, family fishing derby! Great prizes. Adult and children's categories. Special OPP Kids Day May 2nd. Live release program. Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching. Just fish to win!

T: (705) 326-4424

W: www.orillia.com/perchfestival 4

Apr 22, Earth Day

Newmarket, Greater Toronto Area

Come to our nature reserve, then visit the website to help us save this beautiful urban greenspace for future generations. Earth Day 2009 has many activities across Ontario. See ad on inside front cover.

T: 1-800-440-2366

W: www.treesintrust.com 1

Apr 23 – 26, La Salon du Livre du

Grand Sudbury

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Don't miss the most important francophone literary event in Ontario. This is a festival of authors, a celebration of the arts and a cultural happening for people of all ages.

T: (705) 675-1149

W: www.lesalondulivre.ca 7

Apr 25, Perth Festival of the Maples

Perth, Eastern Ontario

Free outdoor festival with over 100 artisans, food vendors and maple syrup producers plus a petting zoo, live musical entertainment, children's entertainment all within a hour commute of Ottawa.

T: 1-888-319-3204

W: www.perthchamber.com 5

Apr 25, 43rd Annual Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival

Elmvale, Central Ontario

Enjoy the sweet taste of Spring. Many of our 30,000 visitors have told us we're the best Maple Syrup Festival in Ontario.

T: (705) 322-6613

W: www.elmvalemaplesyrup.ca 4

Apr 25 – 26, War of 1812 School of the Soldier

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

British, Canadian and American War of 1812 re-enactors bring Fort George to life, practicing the battlefield drills and tactics in preparation for the upcoming 2012-2014 Bicentennial years.

T: (905) 468-6614

W: www.pc.gc.ca/fortgeorge 3

Apr 25 – May 3, Tim Horton's Trout Derby

Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario

Rainbow Trout are stocked in the Springwater Pond each year to create a safe and easily accessible fishing opportunity for both novice and avid anglers.

T: (519) 773-9037

W: www.catfishcreek.ca 2

Apr 26, Earth Day

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

This annual Earth Day festival celebrates the environment and helps raise awareness about sustainable living. Events include plantings, family activities, a vendor village and performers. Fun for all.

T: (416) 952-2222

W: www.downsviewpark.ca 1

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and azalea collections. Join the kids outdoors and become a 'Toad Watcher' at **Scarborough's Adopt-A-Pond's Annual Spring Toad Festival** or meet some truly amazing creatures at **the Toronto Zoo** as **Sharks Visit Stingray Bay**. Lace up your shoes and join in the **Mississauga Marathon** or the **Sudbury ROCKS!!! Marathon**. The **Ottawa International Children's Festival** holds

a 5-day extravaganza of the finest quality children's performing arts. Witness the thrills as more than 110 hydroplanes compete at the **Long Sault Regatta** in **Kingston**.



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

May 1 – 18, Canadian Tulip Festival Ottawa, Ottawa Region



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come into full bloom in 2009.

T: (613) 567-5757

W: www.tulipfestival.ca   6  

May 1 – Jun 27, Lanternlit Ghost Walk of Niagara-on-the-Lake

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

90 mins tour led by an experienced actor through the Old Town. Rich with spooky history. Stroll back through history and hear tales of haunted pubs, inns and homes where spirits are said to linger.

T: (905) 529-4327

W: www.ghostwalks.com   3

May 2, The Polish/Kashub Festival

Barry's Bay, Eastern Ontario

The first Saturday in May is called KASHUB Day. It is a celebration of our rich and unique Kashub culture here in the Valley. At the same time, we celebrate POLISH Day which is on May 3rd.

T: 1-866-222-8699

W: www.wilno.org   5

May 2 – 3, Adopt-A-Pond's Annual Spring Toad Festival

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

Adopt-A-Pond's 9th Annual Spring Toad Festival at the Americas Wetlands. Celebrate the arrival of spring! Ribbiting fun for the entire family! 10am-4pm.

T: (416) 392-5929

W: www.torontozoo.com   1

May 2 – 3, Folklore Festival 2009

Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario

Travel the World in 48 Hours. International foods, entertainment, exhibits, great children's area, Aboriginal Encampment, visual artists on site, WESTJET Trip Draw.

T: (807) 345-0551

W: www.folklorefestival.ca   7

May 2 – 3, Four Winds Spring Kite Festival Woodbridge, Greater Toronto Area

It's time to look up, way up. See fabulous and fascinating kites that will take to the air. Build and decorate your own kite, see professional kite flying demos and many great activities. See ad on inside front cover.

T: (416) 832-2289

W: www.kortright.org 1

May 2 – 10, Blossom Festival

Winona, Niagara Falls and Region

May 2nd and 3rd, Crazy about Trains Days. For the train lovers young and young at heart! May 9th and 10th Mothers day Blossom lunch.

T: (905) 643-1015

W: www.puddicombefarms.com   3

May 2 – 18, Tulip Celebration

Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Make a visit to The Gardens part of your family day. Celebrate spring - see the colourful tulip display, the gorgeous rhododendron and azalea collection, and catch the fresh green tips of new growth on the evergreens.

T: (905) 527-1158

W: www.rbg.ca   1  

May 2 – 18, Festival of Birds

Leamington, Southwestern Ontario

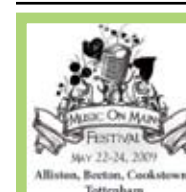
Come and join the Migration Celebration! View the jewels of the birding world. Contact the park for a complete schedule of events.

T: (519) 322-2365

W: www.pc.gc.ca/pointpelee   2

May 2 – 25, Art On Main

Alliston, Central Ontario



Unique art, music, buskers and dining during our Festival of the Arts 2009. Enjoy "Artwalks" along our main streets in Alliston May 5, Tottenham May 12, Cookstown May 19 and Beeton May 23.

See ad on page 21.

T: (705) 435-2378

W: www.simcoeartscouncil.com   4

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

May 3, Trillium Walk

Campbellford, Central Ontario

Come and see hundreds of Ontario's Provincial flowers and walk the trails guided by David Bree, Natural Heritage Leader from Presqu'ile Park.

T: (705) 632-0894

W: www.friendsofferris.ca 4

May 3, Sudbury ROCKS!!! Marathon

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Race, run, walk or cheer for Diabetes in the largest distance event held in Northern Ontario, featuring events for runners and walkers of all ages and abilities. Includes race expo and Pasta Dinner.

T: (705) 670-1993

W: www.sudburyrocksmarathon.com 7 ★

May 3 – Sep 7, Ghost Tours at Fort George Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

Join us on a candlelit guided walking tour through haunted Fort George. Thrill to accounts of real-life experiences with spirits. Dress for the weather. Call to confirm details.

T: (905) 468-6621

W: www.niagaraghhosts.com 3 ★

May 8 – 9, Fiddle and Step Dance Competition

Chelmsford, Northern Ontario

Serious and fun, innovative and traditional, Fiddleworks sets the stage for two days of jam-packed fiddling and stepdancing!

T: (705) 855-9239

W: www.fiddleworks.net 7

May 8 – 10, Mississauga Marathon

Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area

Mississauga Marathon presented by Canon. Sun May 10 Marathon, Half Marathon, Grand & Toy Corporate Relay and 2K. Sat May 9 5K and Desjardins General Insurance 10K and 10K Student Relay.

T: (905) 949-2931

W: www.mississaugamarathon.com 1 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

May 9 – 10, Trillium Festival

Minto, Southwestern Ontario

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T: 1-877-538-3228

W: www.wild-things.ca 2

May 11 – 14, 9th Annual Discover Ability Children Youth Arts Charity Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Join us for the 9th annual festival celebrating gardening through the arts. Hands-on gardening workshop, art demonstration, worm composting workshop, children's art exhibition and sale and more!

T: (416) 730-8142

W: www.discoverability.com 1 ★

May 14 – 24, Toronto Lesbian and Gay Film and Video Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Now in its 19th amazing year, Inside Out presents Canada's largest LGBT film and video festival.

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T: (416) 977-6847

W: www.insideout.ca 1

May 14 – Sept 20, Mythic Beasts: Dragons, Unicorns and Mermaids

Ottawa/Hull, Ottawa Region

Enter a world of magic and mystery. Mythic Creatures delves into the world of fantastic creatures from the oceans, land, and air, such as dragons, mermaids, gryphon, and unicorns.

T: (819) 776-7000

W: www.civilization.ca 6

May 15 – Oct 15, Sharks Visit Stingray Bay

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

The stingrays are back by popular demand and this time they have brought some friends - SHARKS! This exhibit will engage visitors and provide them with the opportunity to safely interact with the species.

T: (416) 392-5929

W: www.torontozoo.com 1



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August	2 - 3	Woodbridge Italian Festival
August	11	Concerts in the Park
August	15 - 17	MapleFest
September	12	43rd Binder Twine Festival
September	20	33rd Thornhill Village Festival
October	10 - 12	162nd Woodbridge Fall Fair
October	30 - 31	Trick or Treat Halloween Festival
October 15 - November 1		Savour Vaughan
November	8	SantaFest

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

May 15 – 17, The Victoria Day SpeedFest Weekend

Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

Special long-weekend camping and racing classic, kick-offs Mosport's season with the Castrol Touring Car series, several other class and a fireworks show.

T: (905) 983-9141

W: www.mosport.com ♿ 1 ★

May 16 – 18, Brews & BBQs Festival

Collingwood, Central Ontario

Kick off summer with the 7th annual Brews & BBQs Festival in the centre of the events plaza with breweries, patio BBQs, live outdoor music, entertainment and kids activities. Fun for the whole family.

T: 1-877-445-0231 x 6280

W: www.villageatblue.com ♿ 4 ★

May 16 – 18, Spring Craft Show

Buckhorn, Central Ontario

Approximately 120 artisans from all areas of Ontario. Featuring the very best selection of Canadian handcrafted seasonal, country, traditional and contemporary crafts.

T: (705) 657-8833 ♿ 4 ★

W: www.buckhorncommunitycentre.com

May 16 – 18, Queen Victoria Birthday Celebrations

Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

Come celebrate Queen Victoria's Birthday 1860s-style. Sing "God Save the Queen", hear patriotic speeches, see military demonstrations, join 1860s games and watch hand-pumped fire engine trials.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com ♿ 5

May 16 – 23, BWG Trails Week/Marsh Mash Canoe and Kayak Races

Bradford, Greater Toronto Area

The 31st Annual Marsh Mash Canoe and Kayak Race. World qualifiers, Marathon, Recreation classes. Also, BWG Trails Week promotes trail development, the use of trails and an active lifestyle.

T: (905) 775-5359 x 5102 ♿ 1 ★

W: www.town.bradfordwestgwillimbury.on.ca

May 16 – Oct 11, Huron Carol Exhibit

Midland, Central Ontario

This exhibit focuses on the history of the Huron Carol and features the exquisite illustrations of Frances Tyrrell, a DVD presentation, and special displays. See ad on page 33.

T: (705) 526-7838

W: www.hhp.on.ca ♿ 4 ★

May 16 – Dec 6, HarbourKIDS

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Harbourfront Centre's fabulous family programming, HarbourKIDS weekends are filled with fun, creativity and imagination, exploring BIG IDEAS through the lens of arts and culture.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com ♿ 1 ★

May 19 – Aug 30, Astonishing Past of Kingston General Hospital Guided Tour

Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Pandemics, politics, and prisoners-of-war. Kingston's history as you've never heard it before! Learn all about the fascinating history of the Kingston General Hospital National Historic Site.

T: (613) 548-2419

W: www.museumofhealthcare.ca ♿ 5

May 21 – 24, AM920 Ontario Open Country Singing Contest

Blyth, Southwestern Ontario

110 competitors in six categories will compete for top honours. Final Shows on Sunday.

T: 1-877-862-5984 ♿ 2

W: www.ontariocountrysingingcontest.com

May 22 – 24, RetroFest

Chatham, Southwestern Ontario



Rock around the clock at Downtown Chatham's Annual RETROFEST. With nostalgic themed entertainment, food, music, and the Kent Historic Auto Club Classic Car show,

there is fun for all ages.

T: (519) 352-8387

W: www.retrofestchatham.com 2 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

May 22 – 23, Rotary Rib 'n' Roll

Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Two day Ribfest with rollerblading event to raise money for children with cancer. Includes ribs, rock and roll and rollerblading. Lots of activities for kids on Saturday. No admission charge.

T: (905) 455-4321

W: www.ribnroll.com ♿ 1

May 22 – 24, Barn Dance Jamboree/Campout

Blyth, Southwestern Ontario

Come out for the 12th annual barn dance jamboree and campout. Enjoy a barn dance show. Camping is available.

T: (519) 530-8000

W: www.thebardance.ca 2

May 22 – 24, Carassauga - Festival of Culture

Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area

A city-wide multicultural festival to promote understanding, respect and co-operation among all Canadians of different heritage. Experience the world at Carassauga during three incredible days!

T: (905) 615-3010

W: www.carassauga.com ♿ 1 ★

May 22 – 24, Celtic Festival & Highland Games

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Local pipe bands, Scottish and Irish singers and dancers, performers, French Canadian fiddlers and step dancers, cloggers and athletes celebrate in Bell Park during this intercultural festival.

T: (705) 691-5677

W: www.celtnorth.com 7

May 22 – 31, Huron Fringe Birding Festival

Port Elgin, Southwestern Ontario

Festival headquarters are at the MacGregor Point Visitor Centre. Over 80 activities - birding tours, guest speakers, wildflower nature hikes and more.

T: (519) 389-6232

W: www.friendsofmacgregor.org ♿ 2 ★

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May 23, Beeton Garden and Honey Festival
Beeton, Central Ontario

Come to Beeton and enjoy a day in the country in a small town atmosphere. Garden and craft vendors, silent auction, honey and honey products, kids' corner, live entertainment and much more!

T: (905) 729-3957 ♿ 4 ★

W: www.beetonhoneyandgardenfestival.com

May 23 – 24, Meccano Weekend at the Steam & Technology Museum
Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

The museum is pleased to welcome the Canadian Modeling Association for Meccano & Allied Systems (CMAMAS) for their annual Meccano Day. Members from the CMAMAS from all across Ontario will be here with their models demonstrating their hobby.

T: (905) 546-4797

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ♿ 2 ★

May 23 – 24, Wings & Wheels Heritage Festival
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Celebrate the heritage of Downsview Park and enjoy two days of classic cars, vintage airplane fly-ins and live entertainment in association with the Toronto Aerospace Museum.

T: (416) 952-2222

W: www.downsviewpark.ca ♿ 1 ★

May 23 – 31, Lilac Celebration
Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Discover the Lilac Dell, the world's largest collection of lilacs, and enjoy entertainment, food and more!

T: (905) 527-1158

W: www.rbg.ca ♿ 1 ★

May 23 – 31, 7th Annual Lilac Gardens of Lindsay
Lindsay, Central Ontario

Come out and visit the butterfly garden, walking tours, musical entertainment and over 125 varieties of lilacs.

T: (705) 328-1941

W: www.lilacgardensoflindsay.com 4

May 26 – 30, LOL Sudbury Comedy Festival
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

The 3rd Annual LOL Sudbury Comedy Festival features some of the brightest, talented comics working in the business. Enjoy a steady diet of jokes and laughter. See website for more details.

T: (705) 688-1234

W: www.cinefest.com ♿ 7

May 25 – Jun 29, Band Shell Concert Series
Bracebridge, Central Ontario

Bring the whole family out to enjoy concert bands, country, folk, rock n' roll, gospel, pipes and drums, brass bands, dixieland, blues and children's musical entertainment. Bring your own lawn chairs.

T: (705) 645-3037

W: www.town.bracebridge.on.ca ♿ 4 ★

May 26 – 30, Quilt and Fibre Art Festival
St. Jacobs and area, Southwestern Ontario

An exciting variety of quilt and fibre art shows in the communities of St. Jacob's, Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge and New Hamburg - the quilt capital of Canada.

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W: www.stjacobs.com 2



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May 27 – 31, Ottawa International Children's Festival
Ottawa, Ottawa Region

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T: (613) 241-0999

W: www.ottawachildrensfestival.ca 6 ★

May 29 – 31, Colborne Cramahe Apple Blossom Tyme Festival
Colborne, Central Ontario

Colborne celebrates the apple blossom with a street fair, craft vendors, midway, antique car and tractor show, an all ages spelling bee, live stage shows plus lots more!

T: (905) 344-7845

W: www.appleblossomtyme.com ♿ 4 ★

May 29 – Jun 6, 1000 Islands Jazz Festival
Brockville, Eastern Ontario

Series of Jazz Concerts featuring top Canadian and International Jazz artists. All indoor concerts, presented at the Brockville Arts Centre and other historic Downtown Brockville locations.

T: (613) 498-0310

W: www.brockvilleconcert.ca ♿ 5 ★

May 30, Fruit Wine & Food Festival
Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

An afternoon of Food, Wine & Jazz Music! Ontario's leading Fruit Wineries will be offering samples of their award winning wines matched with amazing regional cuisine.

T: (905) 263-2396

W: www.archibaldswinery.com ♿ 1

May 30 – 31, Barrie Waterfront Festival
Barrie, Central Ontario

Featuring live bands, outdoor entertainment, street buskers, a playzone for the kids, fresh food, contests and fun for the whole family!

T: (705) 739-4220 x 4365

W: www.barriewaterfront.ca 4 ★

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Upper Canada Migratory
Bird Sanctuary

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May 30 - 31, Long Sault Regatta *Kingston, Eastern Ontario*

The HOTTEST SHOW ON H2O is racing into Ontario! Named Race of the Year by the Canadian Power Boating Federation. More than 110 hydroplanes compete at Mille Roches Beach on the Long Sault Parkway in May, 2009. See ad on page 24.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.stlawrenceparks.com 5

May 31, A Taste of the Hearth! *Burlington, Greater Toronto Area*

Sample the unforgettable flavour of foods cooked on the Historic Hearth! As you tour the historic Ireland House, meet theatrical characters that will make history come to life! Music and demonstrations.

T: (905) 332-9888

W: www.museumsofburlington.com 1

May 31, Thunder Bay Kite Festival *Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario*



The Kite Festival has been listed as one of Ontario's best! Join us for an afternoon of kite flying, kite making, demonstrations and more. Takes place at Chippewa Park.

T: (807) 625-2487

W: www.thunderbay.ca 7 ★

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June

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day at the **Dundas International Buskerfest**. Spectacular fireworks are choreographed to music from around the world, during the gorgeous **Canada Dry Festival of Fire**. Indulge in the best of live blues and jazz at

the **Orangeville Blues & Jazz Festival** and celebrate with **Burlington at the Sound of Music Festival**. Join thousands during **Pride Week in Toronto**. Children's festivals abound with **Kids Funfest** in Sarnia, **Kids Expo** in London and **Teddy Bear Family**

Day in Listowel. Art, culture, and elements of fire and water will enchant you at **Welland's IlluminAqua**. Share in a tribute to Canada's First Nations during the many **Aboriginal festivals** happening in **Midland, Nipigon, Sudbury** and **Newmarket**.



June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 1 – Oct 5, Communities in Bloom - CiB Provincial Awards *Canada Wide*

Communities in Bloom Ontario is dedicated to helping communities across Ontario promote garden tours, parks and recreation venues for the enjoyment of their residents and visitors.

T: 1-877-640-4005

W: www.cibontario.ca ♿ ★

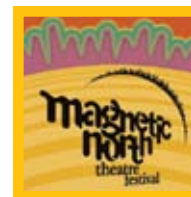
Jun 2 – Aug 31, Branches, Bristles and Batteries: Toothbrushes Through Time and Mouthpower® at Hamilton Children's Museum *Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario*

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T: (905) 546-4848

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ♿ ② ★

Jun 3 – 13, Magnetic North Theatre Festival *Ottawa, Ottawa Region*



Catch some of Canada's best theatre companies while they are all in one place! See fantastic productions from all across Canada, meet national and international

presenters, mingle with great artists.

See ad on page 29.

T: 1-866-850-2787 x 719

W: www.magneticnorthfestival.ca ♿ ⑥ ★

Jun 4 – 6, London International Children's Festival *London, Southwestern Ontario*

The London International Children's Festival has been celebrating the arts for children and the joy of childhood for 19 years. Ticketed performances and free interactive activities at downtown venues.

T: (519) 645-6739

W: www.londonchildfest.com ♿ ②

Jun 4 – 7, Orangeville Blues & Jazz Festival *Orangeville, Greater Toronto Area*

The Festival has live blues and jazz the first weekend in June at venues in and around Orangeville. Free weekend concerts held in the historic downtown Alexandra Park. Check website for lineup.

T: 1-888-792-5837

W: www.orangevillebluesandjazz.ca ♿ ① ★

Jun 5 – 6, Clinton Spring Fair *Clinton, Southwestern Ontario*

Demolition derby, ambassador competition, baby show, parade, talent show, midway, poultry, heavy horse show, all breeds 4-H, dairy calf show, brown swiss, miniature horse and open horse.

T: (519) 482-7925 ♿ ②

Jun 5 – 7, Dundas International Buskerfest *Dundas, Southwestern Ontario*



The Dundas International Buskerfest features the hilarious high-jinks of world-renowned circus artists and pavement performers, arts and crafts, a sidewalk sale, great food and junior

jesters play area.

T: (905) 628-3954

W: www.downtowndundas.ca ♿ ② ★

Jun 5 – 7, 2nd Annual Pickering Ribfest *Pickering, Central Ontario*

Esplanade Park directly opposite the Pickering Recreation Complex. Free parking, free entrance. Great professionally BBQ'd ribs and other summer food fare. Three days of entertainment.

T: 1-800-661-0243 x 4146

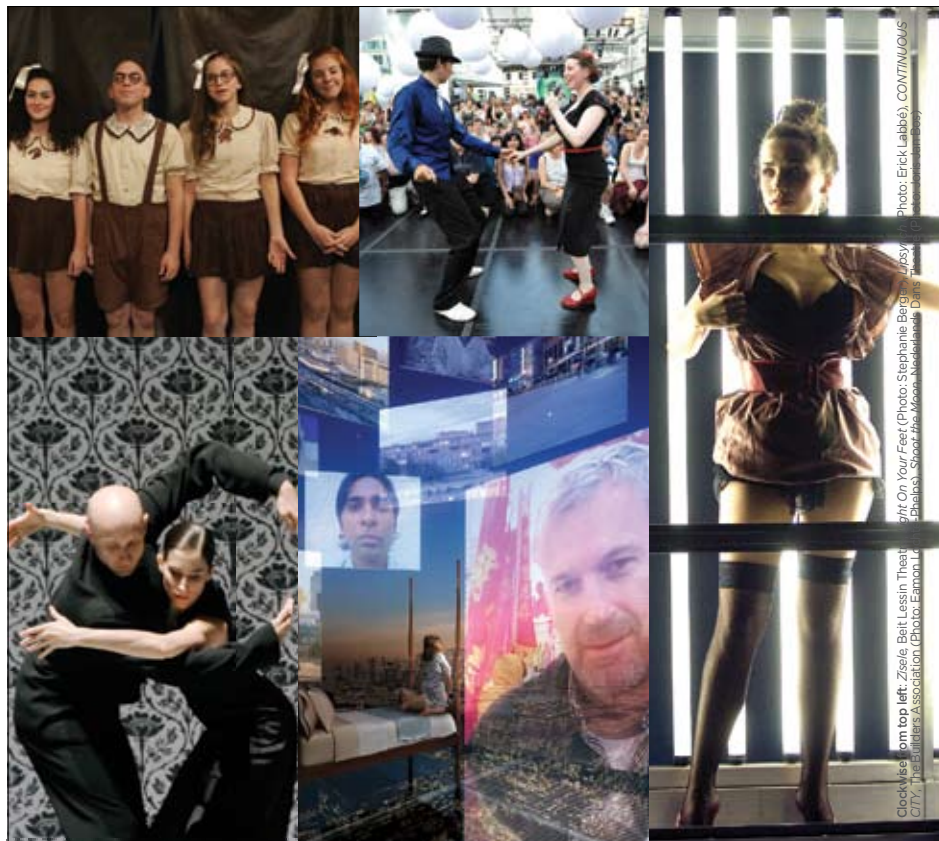
W: www.rotarypickering.org ♿ ④

Jun 5 – 7, Streetsville Founders' Bread & Honey Festival *Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area*

This is a fun-filled family festival featuring a huge parade at 10am on Sat. Live entertainment on two stages, a petting zoo, pony rides, children's inflatables, crafts, souvenirs and much more.

T: (905) 816-1640

W: www.breadandhoney.com ♿ ① ★



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Jun 5 – 7, LaSalle Strawberry Festival *LaSalle, Southwestern Ontario*

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T: (519) 969-5699
W: www.lasallestrawberryfestival.com ♿ 2 ★

Jun 5 – 6, "Find Your Spirit" Harmony Square Celebration *Brantford, Southwestern Ontario*

Celebrate the Artists of Brantford and area and "Find Your Spirit". A festival about song, dance and creativity.
T: (519) 756-1500 x 5537
W: www.harmonysquare.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jun 5 – 7, Carden Nature Festival *Kirkfield, Central Ontario*



Experience a smorgasbord of over 100 environmental delights. Birding, insects, plants, reptiles, fishes, sitting, walking, hiking, cycling, peddaling, driving, paddling, flying photography, painting. See ad on page 30.

T: (705) 438-1324

W: www.CardenGuide.com ♿ 4 ★

Jun 5 – Jun 14, Luminato *Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*



Luminato is an annual 10-day multidisciplinary celebration of dance, music, theatre, film, literature, design, visual arts and food. See ad on page 28.

T: (416) 368-3100

W: www.luminato.com ♿ 1 ★



June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 6, Canoe the Nonquon River

Port Perry, Central Ontario

Canoe the Nonquon is the longest running race of its kind in Ontario. Open to canoeists and kayakers, sanctioned by OMCRA, recreation and competitive classes, open to all ages and skill levels.

T: (905) 985-3589

W: www.scugogshoresmuseum.com ♿ 4

Jun 6, Our Ramara Funfest

Atherley, Central Ontario

Fun for all ages! Children's activities, local entertainment, CN Safety Train Rides, community historical and school displays, make and take workshops, craft, artisan and food vendors.

T: (705) 326-2169

W: www.ourramara.com ♿ 4 ★

Jun 6, Edison Fest

Vienna, Southwestern Ontario

Vienna Memorial Park festival pays homage to Thomas Alva Edison, the inventor, with a Lightbulb River Race, fun and kid's activities, food, craft vendors, museum tours, buggy rides and soapbox derby.

T: (519) 866-3066

W: www.bayham.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jun 6, 8th Annual Garden Festival

Harriston, Southwestern Ontario

Come out and enjoy a festive day in our scenic park featuring plants, garden accents, food and music. Local businesses will be offering a wide selection of locally grown garden products.

T: (519) 338-2511 x 41

W: www.town.minto.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jun 6, Duncombe Days

Sparta, Southwestern Ontario

Join 1837 Rebellion leader Charles Duncombe for period food, re-enactments and live theatre in an historic Quaker settlement.

T: (519) 631-1460

W: www.elgin-county.on.ca 2

Jun 6, Celebrate Barrie 2009

Barrie, Central Ontario

Barrie's community festival featuring hands-on activities for kids, inflatable and rides, live entertainment, over 50 community groups, historical village, animal shows, petting zoo and much more! Free.

T: (705) 739-4285

W: www.barrie.ca ♿ 4 ★

Jun 6, Cambridge Riverfest & Dragon Boat Races

Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario

Come and enjoy the dragon boat races on the Grand River - over 30 teams participate! A family event featuring a children's stage, rides, beer garden, live music, food, arts and craft vendors and more.

T: (519) 740-4681 x 4603

W: www.cambridgeriverfest.com ♿ 2 ★

Jun 6, 5th Annual Air Fair

Guelph, Southwestern Ontario

Annual Fundraising event in support of Mission Aviation Fellowship, promises a fun day for the family! Airplane rides, classic car display, food, music and lots of activities for the kids.

T: 1-877-351-9344

W: www.FlyingForLife.ca ♿ 2



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June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 6 -7, Aundeck Omni Kaning

First Nation Pow Wow

Little Current, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.

T: (705) 368-2228

W: www.manitoulinchamber.com 7

Jun 6 - 7, Palmerston Bob Tail Truck, Car & Motorcycle Show

Palmerston, Southwestern Ontario

Check out various varieties of trucks, cars, bikes, dinners, breakfasts, road hockey tournament and much more!

T: (519) 338-2511 x 41

W: www.town.minto.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jun 6 - 7, Lilac & Lavender Heritage Festival

Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Ontario

Festival celebrating the use of lavender and lilacs for use in home decor and culinary purposes. Ending with a Garden Heritage Tea.

T: (705) 759-5443

W: www.cityssm.on.ca ♿ 7

Jun 6 - 7, Billy Bishop Heritage Days

Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario

Sat: Veterans Day with parade, military exhibits, gift shop sale and BBQ for \$5. Veterans eat free. Sun: Fly-in at the Billy Bishop Airport.

Classic Cars, vendors. Lunch available on site.

T: (519) 371-0031

W: www.billybishop.org ♿ 2

Jun 6 - 7, 1000 Islands Hydroplane Regatta & Festival

Brockville, Eastern Ontario

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T: 1-888-251-7676

W: www.brockvillehydroplaneracing.com ♿ 5

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 6 - 7, Re-Enactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario



Join us as we commemorate this significant landmark in the museum's history. Experience the drama, pageantry, and excitement of one of the most important events in Canada's

history. Bring the family. See ad on page 31.

T: (905) 662-8458

W: www.battlefieldhouse.ca 2 ★

Jun 6 - 14, Iris and Peony Celebration Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Make a visit to The Gardens part of your family day. Step into the waist-high bearded irises and have your senses dazzled with wild colour combinations. Watercolour artists, musicians and more!

T: (905) 527-1158

W: www.rbg.ca 1 ★

Jun 6 - 15, Bayfield Festival of Song Bayfield, Southwestern Ontario

Seven concerts in historic Town Hall celebrate the art of classical song. Six exciting singers include Brett Polegato and Shannon Mercer, with pianists Bruce Ubukata and Stephen Ralls.

T: (519) 565-2435

W: www.aldeburghconnection.org 2

Jun 7, Willowbank 7th Annual Jazz Festival Queenston, Niagara Falls and Region

Enjoy great jazz, superb food, Niagara wine and beer, and a Silent Auction all housed under a canopy. All proceeds benefit the Willowbank School of Restoration Arts.

T: (905) 262-1239

W: www.willowbank.ca 3

Jun 9 - 13, 31st Ancaster Heritage Days Ancaster, Southwestern Ontario

Fun for all ages! Old Mill Road Race starts events on Jun 9, parade, soapbox derby, craft market, beer tent, kids world, battle of Teen bands, fireworks on Sat, concert on Sun.

T: (905) 546-3196

W: www.ancasterheritagedays.com 2

Jun 10 - 14, Dunnville's 35th Annual Mudcat Festival Dunnville, Southwestern Ontario

Parade, midway, craft show, fireworks, dances, magician/juggler, Bavarian Gardens on Sat., motorcycle and car show, strong man contest, duck and canoe races, musical acts, pony rides, food and more!

T: (905) 774-3183

W: www.dunnvillechamberofcommerce.ca 2

Jun 11 - 13, Festival Franco-Ontarien Ottawa, Ottawa Region

The Franco-Ontarien Festival is a three day celebration for the whole family. Shows, music, arts, parade and much more!

T: (613) 321-0102

W: www.ffo.ca 6



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- **National Aboriginal Day:** June 21
- **Huron Carol Exhibit:** All season
- **Georgian Bay Native Friendship Centre POW WOW,** Sainte-Marie Park: September 12 - 13
- **Thanksgiving Harvest Festival & Arts and Crafts Show:** October 10 - 11
- **First Light (10th Anniversary):** Evenings, November 26 - 27 - 28

For historic site opening dates, please visit www.hhp.on.ca



June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 11 – 14, Medieval Festival

Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

A colourful cast of medieval re-enactors, musicians, buskers, artisans, merchants and jousting knights on horseback will gather for three days just outside Upper Canada Village. Sat. night banquet. See ad on page 24.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com 5 ★

Jun 11 – 22, 14th Annual Barrie Jazz & Blues Festival

Barrie, Central Ontario

Featuring a variety of jazz and blues performers in over 25 venues throughout the Barrie area.

T: 1-800-668-9100

W: www.barriejazzbluesfest.com 4

Jun 12 – 14, Innisfil Summerfest

Innisfil, Central Ontario

14th annual Outdoor Waterfront Festival. Great fun for the whole family. Midway, fishing derby, vendors, craft show, entertainment stage, helicopter rides and more.

T: (705) 436-5388

W: www.icecorp.org 4

Jun 12 – 14, Spring Boat, Cottage & Outdoor Show

Orillia, Central Ontario

Great in-water selection of new and pre-owned boats! Marine safety displays and demonstrations. Cottage and outdoor product displays and vendors. Port of Orillia.

T: 1-888-326-4424

W: www.orillia.com 4 ★

Jun 12 – 14, Hamilton Waterfront Wingfest

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Hamilton Waterfront Wingfest will include the sale of chicken wings, provide a carnival for children, offer the sale of original pieces of art along with live entertainment and harbour boat tours.

T: (905) 523-4498

W: www.hamiltonwaterfront.com 2

Jun 12 – 14, Mosport High Octane Weekend

Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

Canada's stock car championship, the NASCAR Canadian Tire Series, plus the U.S.-based Mustang Challenge and F2000 Championship.

T: (905) 983-9141

W: www.mosport.com 1 ★

Jun 12 – 14, Canadian Handcar Racing Championships

Palmerston, Southwestern Ontario

Come out and witness the town of Palmerston's railway history and participate in the handcar races. Event also includes, food and entertainment.

T: (519) 338-2511

W: www.town.minto.on.ca 2 ★

Jun 12 – 22, Chelmsford Western Days

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Over 30 events including tribute concerts, mud bogs and demolition derby, horse show, ATV drags and pulls, car show, live bands and midway.

T: (705) 855-2553

W: www.westerndays.ca 7 ★

Jun 12 – 28, Carrousel of the Nations Cultural Festival

Windsor, Southwestern Ontario



For three weekends in June, the Carrousel of the Nations showcases our diversity through cultural displays, traditional dress, international foods and an incredible

array of talent and musical styles.

T: (519) 255-1127

W: www.themcc.com 2 ★

Jun 12 – Sep 4, IlluminAqua

Welland, Niagara Falls and Region

The event is a blend of art, culture, elements of fire and water. Pods of fire will float in a laid-out design along the Recreational Waterway, while the sweet strains of music fill the air. See ad on page 35.

T: (905) 735-1700 x 2777

W: www.illuminaqua.com 3 ★

June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 13, Downtown Cobourg 4th Annual Busker & Street Festival

Cobourg, Central Ontario

Bring the whole family to this Street Festival! There will be live entertainment, activities for kids, 4 stages of Buskers and much more. Fun for all ages!

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.downtowncobourg.ca 4

Jun 13, Kids Funfest

Sarnia, Southwestern Ontario

Kids Funfest is a "Celebration of Youth" - a free festival dedicated to providing children with interactive entertainment, educational learning experiences and lots of fun.

T: (519) 332-0330

W: www.sarnia.ca 2

Jun 13, Art Among the Ruins

Newburgh, Eastern Ontario

Outdoor show and sale among picturesque ruins of 19th century mill beside rapids of Napanee River. Features over 40 artists. Juried-quality paintings, photos, sculpture, tile, fibre, paper, wood and more!

T: (613) 378-2225 5

Jun 13, Antique & Classic Car Show

Gravenhurst, Central Ontario

Over 400 Antique and Classic Cars from all across Ontario all in one park. Come spend the day looking at Ontario's finest assortment of antique cars.

T: (705) 687-4432

W: www.gravenhurstchamber.com 4

Jun 13 – 14, Muskoka Triathlon

Huntsville, Central Ontario

Kids Race, Sprint Race and Long Course Triathlon set in beautiful Huntsville, Muskoka.

T: (905) 562-6670

W: www.trisportcanada.com 4

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June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 13 -14, Markham Settlers Day Markham, Greater Toronto Area

A fun-filled day featuring a variety of antique farming equipment on display, pioneer crafts and skills showcased. Join us to be taken on a historical journey back to the days of early Markham!

T: (905) 294-4576

W: www.markhammuseum.ca 1 ★

Jun 13 - 14, Canadian International Military Tattoo Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Central Canada's premier show featuring stirring military music, exciting marching bands, spirited dancing, displays and pageantry now in its 18th year. Connecting the Public to the Canadian Military.

T: (905) 523-1753

W: www.canadianmilitarytattoo.ca 2 ★

Jun 13 - 14, Aboriginal Festival Midland, Central Ontario

Share a tribute to Canada's First Nations with special on-site activities, Aboriginal music and drumming and displays. See ad on page 33.

T: (705) 526-7838 4 ★

W: www.saintemarieamongsthehurons.on.ca

Jun 13 - 14, Woofstock Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The dog days of summer return for a weekend of canine culture. Join close to 120,000 dog lovers and their canine companions for the largest outdoor festival for dogs-and the people who live with them.

T: (416) 410-1310

W: www.woofstock.ca 1

Jun 13 - 14, Markham Community Days Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Join us for a weekend celebrating the Markham Community. Lots of family activities. Good food, great fun!

T: (905) 294-4576

W: www.markhammuseum.ca 1 ★

Jun 13 - 14, Walton Double Header Motocross Walton, Southwestern Ontario

Two days of action-packed motocross as racers compete for points in the Ontario Provincial Championship series and the Amateur National Qualifiers on one of Canada's most challenging tracks.

T: (519) 887-6735

W: www.motocrosscanada.ca 2

Jun 13 - 14, Windfall Ecology Festival Newmarket, Greater Toronto Area

Named one of Canada's TOP 12 Green Events, the 8th Annual Windfall Ecology Festival is a celebration of environmental sustainability through live music, organic food and an engaging marketplace.

T: (905) 727-0491

W: www.windfallfestival.ca 1



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 14, Cambridge Tour de Grand Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario

A recreational cycling event for the novice to elite rider with various routes from 10km to the "Tour 160km". Set along the scenic Grand River with refreshments and rest areas along the way.

T: (519) 622-1087

W: www.cambridgetourdegrand.com 2 ★

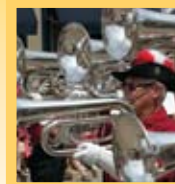
Jun 18 - 20, La fête de la St. Jean-Baptiste Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Salute the arrival of summer with games, clowns, tasty treats and plein de surprises at Brebeuf Park in "Moulin a Fleur".

T: (705) 675-6493

W: www.stjeansudbury.ca 7 ★

Jun 18 - 21, Burlington's Sound of Music Festival Burlington, Greater Toronto Area



Four days of fabulous music - summer music extravaganza! Several stages along waterfront and downtown featuring jazz, folk, rock, pop, country, blues, Latin, Celtic, children's acts

and more! See ad on page 37.

T: (905) 333-6364

W: www.soundofmusic.on.ca 1 ★

Jun 18 - 21, Fiddlers on the Trent Festival Frankford, Eastern Ontario

A fiddling extravaganza featuring North American Fiddle Champion Shane Cook and includes a musical canoe run, jam sessions, on-site camping, BBQs etc.

T: (613) 398-0505

W: www.fiddlersonthetrent.com 5



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Burlington's Sound of Music Festival June 18-21, 2009 www.soundofmusic.ca	Burlington Children's Festival August 15 & 16, 2009 www.burlington.ca	New Year's Eve/Day Dec 31, 2009/Jan 1, 2010 www.burlington.ca

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June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 18 – 21, NXNE Music & Film Festival Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

For five days and nights every June, NXNE takes over Toronto with the hottest bands, the coolest films, and the freshest music-related ideas - all within a few km of each other.

T: (416) 863-6963
W: www.nxne.com 1

Jun 18 – Sep 6, Insights: A Juried Art Exhibition Fergus, Southwestern Ontario

The longest running juried art exhibit in Ontario, now in its 30th year, showcasing artistic talents from the five surrounding regions and counties.

T: (519) 846-0916
W: www.wcm.on.ca 2

Jun 19 – 20, Niagara Italian Festival Thorold, Niagara Falls and Region



A two-day Italian festival celebrating Italian food, drink, dance and entertainment. Lots of vendors, musical entertainment and fun for the entire family.

T: (905) 680-9477
W: www.thorold.com 3 ★

Jun 19 – 20, Markham Village Music Festival Markham, Greater Toronto Area

From Rock and Roll to Classical, from Country to Hip Hop, artists from York Region and GTA featuring singers, dancers, bands, kid entertainers, great food, vendors, art Show and dog exhibit (Barkam).

T: (905) 472-2022
W: www.markham-festival.org 1 ★

Jun 19 – 21, Hamilton Pride Festival Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

This is our first year as a full fledge Festival running for 3 days at Bay Front Park.

T: (289) 396-9718
W: www.hamiltonpride.com 2

Jun 19 – 21, Kids Expo London, Southwestern Ontario

Kids Expo is a fun and educational family event with great rides, crafts and activities. This year we are in Victoria Park. Admission is free. The Win Wheel Game show with great prizes.

T: (519) 432-5189
W: www.fscanada.com 2

Jun 19 – 21, Strathroy Hometown Turkey Festival Strathroy, Southwestern Ontario

Community Festival with Canadian National Turkey Calling Championship, midway, classic cars, concerts, performers, arts and crafts, contests and much more.

T: (519) 245-6816
W: www.turkeyfest.ca 2 ★

Jun 19 – 21, Mississauga Waterfront Festival Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area



Exciting three-day family festival featuring world-class entertainment, carnival, interactive kids village, fire eaters, water show, clowns, petting zoo, vendors, great food, dog show and

licensed area.
T: (905) 891-0002 1 ★
W: www.mississaugawaterfrontfestival.com

Jun 19 – 21, Central Park Festival & Corvettes Show Kenora, Northern Ontario

Come out and see over 50 Corvettes in the parade of cars and at Central Park for the show and shine. Displays, crafts and entertainment as well as a full midway of rides will be available.

T: (807) 467-2000
W: www.kenora.ca 7 ★

Jun 19 – 21, 30th Annual International Vintage Racing Festival Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

This annual historic auto racing event is Canada's largest vintage motorsports meet, featuring three days of beautifully restored, ready-to-race cars from the past 50 years of auto racing.

T: (905) 983-9141
W: www.mosport.com 1 ★

June

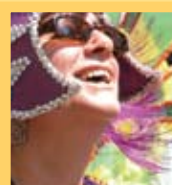
FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 19 – 21, Burgerfest Grand Bend, Southwestern Ontario

Three days of food, fun and entertainment on Grand Bend's main beach.

T: (519) 238-7355
W: www.grandbendtourism.com 2

Jun 19 – 29, Toronto Pride Week 2009 Toronto, Greater Toronto Area



Toronto Pride Week is the largest LGBTTIQQ2S event in Canada. Come celebrate our diversity with 10 days of arts and cultural programming with over 1.5 million people in attendance.

T: (416) 927-7433
W: www.pridetoronto.com 1 ★

Jun 20 – 21, 19th Annual Milverton Rodeo Milverton, Southwestern Ontario

Longest running rodeo in Ontario. Events include saddle and bareback bronc riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, ladies barrel racing, junior steer riding, junior barrel racing and bull riding.

T: (519) 595-2245
W: www.ontariorodeo.com 2

Jun 20, UpTown Country Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

FREE! Open air country music festival! Licensed venue. Located in the Regina Street Parking lot. Don't miss our 7th year celebration this year!

T: (519) 885-1921
W: www.uptowncountrywaterloo.com 2

Jun 20, Festival on Main Georgetown, Greater Toronto Area

Downtown Georgetown transforms itself to become a fun-filled festival with stage and busker entertainment as well as street vendors and rides. Saturday morning also hosts the weekly Farmers' Market.

T: (905) 873-4970
W: www.downtowngeorgetown.com 1 ★

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Jun 20, Teddy Bear Family Play Day
Listowel, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy a family day of fun with entertainment and activities for the entire family. Free children's entertainment and interactive play zones. Outdoor pool, and BBQ fundraiser.

T: (519) 292-2056
W: www.northperth.ca 2

Jun 20, Flower City Parade
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Free, Fabulous, Family Fun! Celebrate the summer by attending and enjoying spectacular parade floats brimming with brightly coloured blooms, lively marching bands, clowns, stilt walkers and more! See ad on inside front cover.

T: (905) 874-3956
W: www.brampton.ca 1 ★

Jun 20, Decades of Legends
Collingwood, Central Ontario

An amazing collection of tribute artists, starring ROY LEBLANC and performing Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash, Elvis, Rod Stewart & Bryan Adams. Outside at the base of Blue Mountain. Food, fun, kids venue.

T: 1-877-445-0231 x 6280
W: www.villageatblue.com 4 ★

Jun 20 – 21, Sheshegwaning First Nation Traditional Pow Wow
Silver Water, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.

T: (705) 283-3560 7

Jun 20 – 21, Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve Traditional Pow Wow
Wikwemikong, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.

T: (705) 859-2385 7

Jun 20 – 21, Whittamore's Strawberry Festival
Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Come celebrate the start of summer with delicious and nutritious strawberries at our annual "Get Fresh Strawberry Festival". Bring the whole family for a day of fun exhibits and fresh strawberries.

T: (905) 294-3275
W: www.whittamoresfarm.com 1

Jun 20 – Jul 5, Rose Celebration
Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Visit the gardens and take a relaxing stroll while you enjoy over 2,000 varieties of breathtaking roses. Later enjoy a light lunch at our quaint teahouse and bask in the glorious view.

T: (905) 527-1158
W: www.rbg.ca 1 ★

Jun 20 & Aug 15, Mitsubishi City Chase
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The City Chase is a unique urban adventure that requires participants to exhibit teamwork, resourcefulness, determination and the ability to make decisions on the fly as they search for ChasePoints.

T: (905) 282-0770
W: www.mitsubishicitychase.com 1 ★

Jun 20 – Aug 22, Peterborough Summer Festival of Lights
Peterborough, Central Ontario

Enjoy music every Wed. and Sat. at Del Cray Park in beautiful downtown Peterborough. What better way then to spend a beautiful evening enjoying great music and stunning fireworks.

T: (705) 755-1111
W: www.festivaloflights.ca 4

Jun 21, 13th Annual Father's Day Smoke & Steam Show
Keene, Central Ontario

See antique tractor displays, tractor games, a tractor parade and more. Enjoy free wagon rides and see Lang's own Sawyer Massey steam engine in action along with a collection of hit and miss engines.

T: (705) 295-6694
W: www.langpioneervillage.ca 4

Jun 21, National Aboriginal Day
Midland, Central Ontario

Many Aboriginal groups across the world celebrate their heritage around the Summer Solstice. Join Sainte-Marie's staff and share a tribute to Canada's First Nations with special on-site

displays. See ad on page 33.

T: (705) 526-7838 4 ★
W: www.sainte-marieamongsthehurons.on.ca

Jun 21, Aboriginal Day
Nipigon, Northern Ontario

Activities ongoing throughout the day and evening. This event hosts the Native Veterans Memorial Service, Parade, food and games, wiener roast and fireworks. Activities subject to change.

T: (807) 887-2510
W: www.redrockband.ca 7

Jun 21, National Aboriginal Day
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Learn about aboriginal culture and the traditional Pow Wow. Enjoy song and dance in the traditional regalia.

T: (705) 674-4455
W: www.mysudbury.ca 7 ★

Jun 21, Father's Day Steam and Machine Day
Rockton, Southwestern Ontario

Join the Rockton Antique Hobby Club and other hobbyists for a special day of steam and machines featuring steam traction engine rides, model machines, antique agricultural equipment and vintage cars.

T: (519) 621-8851
W: www.westfieldheritage.ca 2

Jun 21, Heritage Festival at Moore Museum
Mooretown, Southwestern Ontario

Join us for an afternoon of heritage demonstrations and activities. There will be something of interest for every member of the family.

T: (519) 867-2020 2
W: www.lambtononline.com/moore_museum

Jun 21, Ice Cream Wishes
Ancaster, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy fresh homemade ice cream in an outdoor garden setting at Fieldcote Memorial Park and Museum. Sit and relax in the gardens, welcome the arrival of summer, while children take part in fun inter-active activities and make-their-own-sundaes.

T: (905) 648-8144
W: www.hamilton.ca/museums 2 ★

Jun 21 – 27, Oshawa Fiesta Week
Oshawa, Greater Toronto Area

Start with a multicultural parade followed by a concert and traditional dance at a venue in downtown Oshawa. Week-long festivities at 15 ethnic pavilions featuring stage shows, food and heritage displays.

T: (905) 725-1624
W: www.fiestaweek.ca 1 ★

Jun 21 – 27, Unity Week
Mattawa, Northern Ontario

A sacred fire will be lite from Jun 21 to Jun 28th at The Point. The sacred fire will stay lit for the whole week. Someone will stay on guard for this week long event. During this time, anyone is invited to come and put a stick in the fire in memory of their ancestors.

T: (705) 744-5567 7
W: www.mattawavoyageurcountry.ca

Jun 25 – Jul 5, TD Canada Trust Ottawa International Jazz Festival
Ottawa, Ottawa Region

TD Canada Trust Ottawa International Jazz Festival is the premier music event to take place in downtown Ottawa. The Festival boasts the biggest loyal audience of any event in eastern Ontario.

T: (613) 241-2633
W: www.ottawajazzfestival.com 6 ★

Jun 26 – 27, Wood 'n' Things Rendezvous
Magnetawan, Northern Ontario

Unique items created in wood by carvers, chainsaw artists and woodworkers, as well as demonstrations. Fundraising Silent Auction, Food, Live Entertainment and a Saturday Morning Farmers Market.

T: 1-866-334-3324
W: www.woodnthingsrendezvous.com 7

June

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jun 26 – 27, 34th Annual Thamesville Threshing Festival

Thamesville, Southwestern Ontario

The festival kicks off with the biggest parade in Southwestern Ontario on Jun 26th at 6:30pm with entertainment following the parade in the Beer Gardens. Activities all weekend with car show on Sat.

T: (519) 678-3005

W: www.threshingfestival.com 2

Jun 26 – 28, The Tottenham Bluegrass Festival

Tottenham, Southwestern Ontario

Join us on the shoreline of Tottenham Pond for three days of award winning Bluegrass bands from across Canada and the US. Tickets include rough camping with showers and serviced washrooms. Join the jam.

T: 1-888-258-4727

W: www.tottenhambluegrass.ca 2

Jun 26 – 28, Oakville Waterfront Festival

Oakville, Greater Toronto Area

Three days of great summertime entertainment! Concerts, craft show, dog show, sports, children's village, licensed patio and unlimited free re-entry - because there's more

than you can do in one day!

T: (905) 847-7975

W: www.oakvillefestival.com 1

Jun 26 – 28, Canadian Redneck Games

Harriston, Southwestern Ontario

An event like no other! Where toilet seat tossing, bobbin' for pigs feet and diving in mud are socially acceptable! Named one of Ontario's Top 100 Events by Festivals & Events Ontario.

T: (519) 338-2511

W: www.canadianredneckgames.ca 2

Jun 26 – 28, FunFest

Tillbury, Southwestern Ontario

Weekend outdoor festival featuring entertainment, midway rides, children's events, car show and more. Fun for the whole family!

T: (519) 682-3040

W: www.uptowntillbury.com 2

Jun 26 – 28, World Routes Summer Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Weekend outdoor festivals and summer events! Harbourfront Centre presents top Canadian and international artists in creative disciplines like music, dance, theatre, visual arts, literature and film.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com 1

Jun 26 – 28, Windsor Elvis Fest

Windsor, Southwestern Ontario

Featuring music from the 50s - 70s, a large classic car show, dozens of pro and amateur Elvis Tribute Artists in competition, theatre, gospel shows on Windsor's scenic waterfront and in downtown venues.

T: (519) 254-1108

W: www.windsorelvisfest.com 2

Jun 26 – 28, Geraldton Walleye Classic

Geraldton, Northern Ontario

The Geraldton Walleye Classic is part of the Princecraft Northern Ontario Pro Walleye Trail. This Derby has 110 two-person teams and takes place on the pristine Kenogamis Lake located in Geraldton.

T: (807) 854-2305 7

Jun 26 – Jul 1, Jewel in the Wilderness Festival

Elliot Lake, Northern Ontario

A festival celebrating various genres of music. Enjoy the sights and sounds of great music from the professional to the amateur at various venues. Barbeque and spectacular fireworks on Canada Day. View website for more details.

T: (705) 848-2084

W: www.cityofelliottlake.com 7

Jun 26 – Jul 5, MooseFest

Dryden, Northern Ontario

10-day festival including: Windsurf Regatta, Teddy Bear Picnic, tournaments, historical tours, canoe, kayaking and more.

T: (807) 937-4471

W: www.windsurfwoody.ca 7

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Jun 26 – Jul 5, TD Canada Trust Toronto Jazz Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The sounds of jazz will have feet tappin' and fingers snappin' as the 23rd edition of the TD Canada Trust Toronto Jazz Festival swings and jives its way into summer.

T: (416) 928-2033

W: www.torontojazz.com 1

Jun 27, Nin Os Kom Tin

Newmarket, Greater Toronto Area

An Aboriginal Celebration with hand drumming groups, dancers, singers, information tables, arts, crafts, and food.

T: (905) 895-5193

W: www.newmarket.ca 1

Jun 27, Whitby County Town Carnival

Whitby, Greater Toronto Area

This free community event offers fun and festivities for the whole family. Jumping castles, face painting, crafts and more for children. Centre stage offers entertainment for the whole family.

T: (905) 430-4310

W: www.whitby.ca 1

Jun 27, PoultryFest Niagara

Smithville, Niagara Falls and Region

Celebrate with food and fun in Canada's "Poultry Capital". Poultry show, discovery centre, competitions, music, crafts, family zone, car shows, tractor pull, marketplace, and poultry food court.

T: (905) 957-3751

W: www.poultryfest.ca 3

Jun 27, Children's Festival

Goderich, Southwestern Ontario

Activities include: Teddy Bear Parade at 10:30am. Activities for children, infants to age 12. Enjoy Teddy bear parade to start, children's entertainers, play area, crafts and much more.

T: 1-800-280-7637

W: www.goderich.ca 2

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Jun 27, Cobourg Highland Games *Cobourg, Central Ontario*

Traditional pipe bands, Scottish dancing, strongman competitive events and authentic Haggis and much more!

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.cobourghighlandgames.ca 4 ★

Jun 27 – 28, Taste of Asia *Markham, Greater Toronto Area*

This 7th Annual Festival is Canada's largest Asian event, featuring live entertainment, MLE Noodle Eating Competition, Night Market, Car Show, Asian Health Fair, Kids Zone and over 120 vendor booths.

T: (905) 946-1137

W: www.culture-canada.ca 1 ★

Jun 27 – 28, The 11th Annual Kaleidoscope Children's Festival *Hamlet of Minett, Central Ontario*

The annual children's festival is held the first Saturday after school finishes for the summer, and attracts both local and seasonal families.

T: (705) 765-1048

W: www.kaleidoscopeartsined.ca 4

Jun 27 – Jul 4, Canada Dry Festival of Fire – Ontario Place *Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*



On Jun 27, July 1, and July 4, the Canada Dry Festival of Fire will bring the skies over Lake Ontario to life with an inspired display of fireworks choreographed to the world's finest music. See ad page 43.

T: 1-866-ONE-4-FUN

W: www.ontarioplace.com 1 ★

Jun 27 – Sep 19, Newmarket Summer Festival *Newmarket, Greater Toronto Area*

Festivals include: Aboriginal Celebration, July 1st, Kids in the Square, Music in the Park, Fiddlefest, Moonlight Movies, Garlic is Great, Jazz and Blues, Art Fest on Main, Kre8tive Kidz Festival.

T: (905) 895-5193

W: www.newmarket.ca 1 ★

Jun 27 – Jul 5, Group of Seven Outdoor Gallery Mural Festival *Huntsville, Central Ontario*

Explore Group of Seven replications in an outdoor gallery under open skies. Enjoy the Group of Seven Outdoor Gallery year round or visit during our Mural Festival.

T: (705) 789-1400

W: www.groupofsevenoutdoorgallery.ca 4

June 28, Heritage Trade Festival *Cumberland, Ottawa Region*

Visit the trades people from the 1920s to 1930s era. Mill operators, blacksmiths, bricklayers, carpenters, wood carvers, cabinet-makers, leather workers, lace makers, weavers, seamstresses, milliners and more.

T: (613) 833-3059

W: www.ottawa.ca/museums 6 ★

Jun 28 – Jul 1, Goderich Celebrates Canada Day *Goderich, Southwestern Ontario*

Goderich shows its Canadian pride throughout the weekend. Fireworks Jun 30, heritage walks, picnic, parade Jul 1 and much more.

T: 1-800-280-7637

W: www.goderich.ca 2 ★

Jun 28 – Jul 2, UNISONG *Ottawa, Ottawa Region*

Choirs from all provinces sing in Massed Concert at three concerts during the day! Not to be missed.

T: (613) 234-3360

W: www.abc.ca 6 ★

Jun 28 – Aug 30, An 1860's Wedding at Upper Canada Village *Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario*

Jun 28, Jul 19, Aug 2 & 30. Take part in the excitement of an 1860's wedding! See Villagers in their finest attire in a horse-drawn procession to the church. Make sure to get a piece of Wedding Cake.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com 5

Jun 29 – Jul 5, Summerfest & Bikers Reunion *New Liskeard, Northern Ontario*

A street mall with displays downtown New Liskeard. The bikers reunion is a family event raising money for cancer in the area.

T: (705) 647-8338

W: www.bikersreunion.ca 7

Jun 30 – Jul 1, Aurora Canada Day Celebrations *Aurora, Greater Toronto Area*

Enjoy family-oriented activities, live entertainment, parade, fireworks and much more.

T: (905) 726-4762

W: www.e-aurora.ca 1 ★

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Summer Sizzles

Ontario is absolutely bursting with summer festivals! Get caught up in **Canada Day** festivities and fireworks that greet



the summer on July 1st. For a complete listing of Canada Day events, please visit www.ontariotravel.net. Take the family to the popular **Fergus Truck Show** for some summer fun. Nature and art are one in the amazing exhibition

at **Royal Botanical Gardens Earth Art** in **Burlington**. **Holstein's Rodeo Festival** boasts three days of rodeo, two nights of concerts, and food galore. Music lovers can indulge in the **Collingwood Elvis Festival**, **Rogers Sarnia Bayfest** or the **Cisco Ottawa Bluesfest**. If mouth watering ribs are your thing, don't miss the many **Ribfests** taking place in July or spice it up with a visit to

The Blue Mountains Chili Cookoff. Tickle your funny bone at the **Just For Laughs Toronto Festival**. History, heritage and colourful flotillas can be enjoyed at the **Rideau Canal Festival** in **Ottawa**.



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Jul 1, Canada Day Celebrations

Visit www.ontariotravel.net for information on Canada Day Celebrations in communities throughout Ontario in the Canada Day Supplement.

Jul 1, Canada Day Celebrations

Ottawa, Ottawa Region

Live it up in the heart of Canada's Capital Region! Enjoy spectacular fireworks right after the evening show.

T: 1-800-465-1867 & 6 ★

W: www.canadascapital.gc.ca/canaday

Jul 1, Canada Day Celebration

Oshawa, Greater Toronto Area

Oshawa's largest one day event. On the waterfront at Lakeview Park, the event features 58 various forms of entertainment culminating with spectacular fireworks display.

T: 1-800-667-4292

W: www.oshawa.ca & 1 ★

Jul 1, Canada Day Celebrations at Queen's Park

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Fun for the entire family, main stage and children's entertainment, inflatable and carnival games, crafts, face painting. Admission free. Located at College and University.

T: 1-800-267-7329

W: www.ontario.ca/canaday & 1

Jul 1 - 4, Barrie Promenade Days

Barrie, Central Ontario

Fun, excitement, entertainment and celebration is what Promenade Days is all about! Barrie's largest Street Festival, with fireworks on Jul 1st. Celebrate Canada's Birthday with us!

T: (705) 734-1414

W: www.downtownbarrie.ca 4

Jul 1 - 4, Cobourg Waterfront Festival

Cobourg, Central Ontario

Enjoy fine arts and crafts, live entertainment, midway amusements, food vendors, fireworks display over the lake and much more.

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.cobourgtourism.ca & 4 ★

Jul 1 - 4, Confederation Days

Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

Come watch as Villagers debate the pros and cons of the impending Confederation with John A. Macdonald himself showing up for the occasion! Join old-fashioned children's games throughout the event.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com & 5

Jul 1 - 5, It's Your Festival

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario



Canada's 142nd birthday celebration featuring 150 arts and craft booths, 25 food booths serving foods of the world, midway, local and international performers, Ontario Youth Talent Search

and much more.

T: (905) 525-2297

W: www.itsyourfestival.ca & 2 ★

Jul 1 - 5, Brockville Riverfest

Brockville, Eastern Ontario

An Annual Family Festival on Brockville Waterfront. Children's activities, food vendors, on-going live entertainment, midway.

T: 1-888-251-7676

W: www.brockvilletourism.com & 5

Jul 1 - 5, Stouffville Strawberry Festival

Stouffville, Greater Toronto Area

The 25th Annual Stouffville Strawberry Festival - FREE. There's something for everyone. Entertainment, contests, a parade, great food, a carnival, open market with 100 vendors and fresh strawberries. See ad on inside front cover.

T: (905) 642-3779

W: www.strawberryfestival.ca & 1

Jul 1 - 12, Toronto Fringe Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area



Toronto's largest festival and one of its most exciting summer events. Over 130 productions at 25 venues. Comedy, drama, dance, children's shows and more. The festival

hosts a beer tent, two outdoor patios and a free nightly Cabaret.

T: (416) 966-1062

W: www.fringetoronto.com 1 ★

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**Jul 1 – Aug 26, World Heritage
Sunset Ceremonies***Kingston, Eastern Ontario*

Every Wed. evening in July and August from 7pm-9pm. Recognized as one of the top 100 events in Ontario, our shows provide quality family entertainment and insight into the 1860s. See ad on page 24.

T: (613) 542-7388**W:** www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★**Jul 1 – Oct 13, Royal Botanical
Gardens Earth Art***Burlington, Greater Toronto Area*

Nature and art are one in this amazing exhibition. Ephemeral art - Earth Art - in each of our gardens. Acres of amazement to experience. You won't be disappointed!

T: (905) 527-1158**W:** www.rbg.ca 1 ★**Jul 2 – 5, Friendship Festival***Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Region*

Binational festival featuring artisans, artists, concerts, midway, heritage art and performers, food, music demonstrations, vendors and beverage garden, War of 1812 re-enactors, Kid's Zone and much more. See ad on page 49.

T: 1-888-333-1987**W:** www.friendshipfestival.com 3 ★**Jul 2 – 5, Italian Festival***Sudbury, Northern Ontario*

Annual Italian Festival featuring regional food fair, beauty pageant and entertainment!

T: (705) 675-1357**W:** www.carusoclub.ca ♿ 7**Jul 2 – 5, Clinton Pluckinfest***Clinton, Southwestern Ontario*

Chicken cook-off, chicken BBQ, ball and golf tournaments, car show, beer tent. Children's entertainment/events. Dance Fri. evening.

T: (519) 482-7349**W:** www.ontarioswestcoast.ca ♿ 2**Jul 3 – 5, Beaverton 125th
Anniversary Homecoming***Beaverton, Central Ontario*

A weekend of exciting festivities is planned to celebrate Beaverton's heritage in its 125th year. The celebration will be open to all ages and include activities such as a parade and evening concerts.

T: (705) 426-7738**W:** www.beavertonsspecialevents.com ♿ 4**Jul 3 – 5, Northern Lights Festival Boreal***Sudbury, Northern Ontario*

Canada's longest continuously running bilingual, aboriginal and multicultural outdoor festival offers a rich blend of music, visual arts, independent films, crafts, dance and storytelling.

T: (705) 674-5512**W:** www.nlfbsudbury.com ♿ 7**Jul 3 – 5, Rotary Ribfest***Chatham, Southwestern Ontario*

Rotary Ribfest featuring nationally renowned professional ribbers and great entertainment for the whole family. Also featured is a Classic Car Exhibition.

T: (519) 380-9265**W:** www.rotarysunrise.com ♿ 2**Jul 3 – Jul 5, 9th Annual Kincardine Scottish
Festival and Highland Games***Kincardine, Southwestern Ontario*

Gather on the shores of Loch Huron and thrill to the sights and sounds of Scotland! Pipe Band, Highland Dance and Heavy Game competitions to name a few! Something for everyone!

T: 1-888-232-7952**W:** www.kincardinescottishfestival.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 3 – 5, Sally Creek Music Festival***Woodstock, Southwestern Ontario*

Bluegrass and other Music festival. Top US and Canadian groups performing over three days. Dry camping on site for 600+. Canada's Outdoor Park, Woodstock. See ad on page 49.

T: 1-888-288-4423**W:** www.sallycreekmusicfestival.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 3 – 5, Ontario Family Fishing Weekend***Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario*

Now is the time to say the family has "Gone Fishing". Ontario offers free fishing licenses for this three-day event.

T: (519) 773-9037**W:** www.catfishcreek.ca 2

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 3 – 5, World Routes Summer Festival*Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*

Free weekend festivals comprised of top Canadian and international artists in creative disciplines like music, dance, theatre, visual arts, readings and film.

T: (416) 973-4000**W:** www.harbourfrontcentre.com ♿ 1 ★**Jul 3 – 25, Huntsville Festival of the Arts***Huntsville, Central Ontario*

An eclectic performing arts festival featuring national and international artists in a wide range of genres. Evening concerts in Algonquin Theatre, outdoor and fringe events throughout the month.

T: 1-800-663-2787**W:** www.huntsvillefestival.on.ca ♿ 4 ★**Jul 3 – Aug 28, Movies Under the Stars
at Downsview Park***Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*

Downsview Park is pleased to present free movies under the stars Friday nights throughout July and August. Bring your blankets or lawn chairs and enjoy a free family-friendly movie outdoors at dusk.

T: (416) 952-2222**W:** www.downsviewpark.ca ♿ 1 ★**Jul 4, The Blue Mountains Chili Cookoff***The Blue Mountains, Central Ontario*

Join the fun of our "Silver Jubilee" Chili Cookoff - yup - 25 years of fun! Ontario Championship, held again at The Village at Blue Mountain. 30 chili teams, live entertainment.

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T: 1-877-445-0231**W:** www.villageatblue.com ♿ 4 ★

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Jul 4 – 5, Warkworth Western Weekend
Warkworth, Central Ontario

The Dodge Rodeo Tour arrives each summer with live events including bareback and bull riding, children's mutton bustin', team roping, barrel racing - a fun-filled family weekend.

T: 1-888-653-1556

W: www.warkworthwesternweekend.com 4

Jul 4, Clifford Rotary 2009 Classic Car & Tractor Show
Clifford, Southwestern Ontario

Numerous events taking place all weekend, including show and shine for antique cars and classic autos, truck shows including Bob Tail highway tractors, lawn and garden tractor pull and much more!

T: (519) 327-8025

W: www.visitguelphwellington.ca 2 ★

Jul 4 – 12, National Fishing Week
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A Canada-wide celebration of our angling heritage. Catch a Memory! List or search for events, view license-free provincial dates. Get more fishing information on our website and other fishing links.

T: 1-877-822-8881

W: www.catchfishing.com 4

Jul 4 Moonlight Hike & Wolf Howl
Manitoulin Island, Northern Ontario

Guided educational nature hike with parabolic ears and night vision minoculars. Call for wolves, search for tracks, campfire howling competition.

T: (705) 859-2470

W: www.gordonspark.com 7

Jul 5, Fort Erie Celtic Festival
Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Region

Celtic Festival featuring music, celtic bands, demonstrations, ethnic food, vendors, beverage area, clans, games, children's activities and more.

T: (905) 871-6454

W: www.friendshipfestival.com 3 ★

Jul 6 – Sep 13, Sound & Light Show

on Parliament Hill
Ottawa, Ottawa Region

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T: 1-800-465-1867 6 ★

W: www.canadacapital.gc.ca/soundandlight

Jul 7 – 13, The Scream Literary Festival
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The Scream is Canada's longest running literary festival. The festival boasts a full week of off-the-wall events that feature Canada's top innovative authors.

T: (416) 466-8862

W: www.thescream.ca 1

Jul 7 – Aug 30, Muskoka Lakes Music Festival
Port Carling, Central Ontario

Through live performances by renowned Canadian artists the Festival creates an environment to cultivate and encourage new and established musical talent by providing a forum to perform concerts with professional musicians from around the globe.

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Jul 8 – 11, Brantford International Villages Festival

Brantford, Southwestern Ontario

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T: (519) 756-8767

W: www.brantfordvillages.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jul 9 – 12, Holstein Rodeo Festival

Holstein, Southwestern Ontario



Great family fun. Three days of Rodeo, two nights of concerts. Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, Barbeque Steak Dinner on Sat. Kid Show and over 30 vendors. All events go rain or shine.

T: (519) 334-4047

W: www.holsteinrodeo.com ♿ 2 ★

Jul 9 – 12, Essex Fun Fest

Essex, Southwestern Ontario



Four day family friendly fun packed event! Midway, parade, talent show, prince/princess pageant and so much more. Join us as we take part in 'Building 125 Years into an expanding future'!

T: (519) 776-7336 x 24

W: www.townofessex.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jul 9 – 12, Belleville Waterfront Ethnic Festival

Belleville, Eastern Ontario

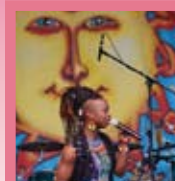
Belleville Waterfront Ethnic Festival features musical entertainment, an Ethnic Food Village, midway, children's attractions, fireworks and vendors expo in Zwick's Park on the beautiful bay of Quinte.

T: (613) 962-4597

W: www.bellevillechamber.ca ♿ 5 ★

Jul 9 – 12, TD Canada Trust Sunfest '09: "Canada's Premier Celebration of World Cultures"

London, Southwestern Ontario



Sunfest is Canada's premier festival of the global arts. It features over 30 top world music and dance and jazz ensembles, complemented by more than 225 exemplary food and

craft exhibitors. FREE!

T: (519) 672-1522

W: www.sunfest.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Jul 9 – 12, Kingston Buskers Rendezvous

Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Jugglers, acrobats, dancers, singers, magicians, comedians, fire-eaters, and more hit the streets for the 21st edition of this world-class buskers festival.

T: (613) 542-8677

W: www.kingstonbuskers.com ♿ 5 ★



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**July 9, 10, 11
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Acts to be announced soon!!

**July 17, 18
Country Weekend**

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Jul 9 – 18, Rogers Sarnia Bayfest
Sarnia, Southwestern Ontario



Ontario's premier annual music extravaganza, featuring top world performers. Held over two weekends, Rock: Jul 9, 10, 11 and Country: Jul 17, 18, 19. A festival destination that

should not be missed! See ad on page 53.
T: 1-866-450-4474
W: www.sarniabayfest.com ♿ 2 ★

Jul 9 – 19, Cisco Ottawa Bluesfest
Ottawa, Ottawa Region



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a wide variety of food.
T: 1-866-258-3748
W: www.ottawabluesfest.ca ♿ 6 ★

Jul 9 – Aug 23, Outdoor Summer Theatre - Shakespeare Under the Stars
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T: (416) 466-3843
W: www.driftwoodtheatre.com ♿ 1

Jul 10 – 11, Sudbury Dragon Boat Festival
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Every year in July, the cross-cultural phenomenon keeps time on Ramsey Lake with more than 100 teams from across the province competing annually. Enjoy the festival in adjacent Bell Park.
T: (705) 671-6067
W: www.sudburydragonboats.org ♿ 7

Jul 10 – 12, Art of Being Green
Middleville (Lanark), Eastern Ontario



Catch the Green Wave at this family festival celebrating renewable energy and a sustainable lifestyle. Vendor trade show, hands-on exhibits, workshops, entertainment,

children's programs, local food. See ad on page 54.
T: 1-800-239-4695
W: www.artofbeinggreen.com ♿ 5 ★

Jul 10 – 12, Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area



The TOAE is the largest outdoor art exhibition in Canada, featuring over 500 contemporary artists and craftspeople on Nathan Phillips Square every July.

T: (416) 408-2754
W: www.torontooutdoorart.org ♿ 1 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 10 – 12, 25th Annual Muskoka Pioneer Show
Bracebridge, Central Ontario

The 25th Annual Muskoka Pioneer Power Show. This year's theme will be Massey Harris including Massey Ferguson, Ferguson and Wallis. Featuring heritage displays, country store, blacksmith shop, kiddie, lawn, tractor and antique tractor pulls, and more.
T: (705) 645-1954
W: www.bracebridgechamber.com/mppa 4

Jul 10 – 12, Muskoka Summerfest
Bracebridge, Central Ontario

The Premier event of the season in Muskoka with live music, street performers, food and beverage sampling, KidZone activities, "Float Your Boat" competition and tons of shopping.
T: 1-866-512-2173
W: www.muskokasummerfest.com ♿ 4

Jul 10 – 12, Porquis Blues Festival
Porquis (Iroquois Falls), Northern Ontario

The Porquis Blues Festival delivers high quality live Canadian blues music to Northerners, right here in our own back yard, all in a relaxed, fun-filled atmosphere. This festival is incredible!
T: (705) 232-4475
W: www.porquis.ca 7 ★

Jul 10 – 12, Carabram, Brampton's Multicultural Festival
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Carabram is dedicated to the preservation, development and promotion of the cultural heritages of the diverse ethnic communities of Brampton, which is showcased city-wide during three incredible days.
T: (416) 452-4917
W: www.carabram.org ♿ 1

Jul 10 – 12, Railroad Daze
Rainy River, Northern Ontario

This is a fun-filled weekend. Some of the events include; slo-pitch tournament, scavenger hunt, family night, kid entertainers, nightly entertainment, cardboard boat races, music fest and much more!
T: (807) 852-3978
W: www.railroaddaze.ca ♿ 7

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Jul 10 – 12, Caramat's World Famous Fish Derby
Caramat, Northern Ontario

Caramat's World Famous Fish Derby is back for the 51st year. This derby is open to all anglers with categories for all species of fish and mystery weights for each division. Many prizes to be won.

T: (807) 872-2663

W: www.greenstone.ca 7 ★

Jul 10 – Aug 29, Flower City Theatre Festival
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

The Flower City Theatre Festival consists of an outdoor PWYC Shakespeare Festival and ticketed indoor series consisting of mainstage and studio performances. See ad on page 46.

T: (905) 874-2800

W: www.rosetheatre.ca ♿ 1

Jul 11, 2nd Annual Downtown Fiddle Fest
St. Catharines, Niagara Falls and Region

With 10 fiddle categories and five step dancing categories we'll have a full day of entertainment for the whole family. St. Paul's United Church will be open for tours and hosting a BBQ on its front lawn.

T: (905) 685-8424

W: www.mydowntown.com 3 ★

July 11, ACO Garden Tour
Port Hope, Central Ontario

Attendees will have a unique opportunity to stroll through ten beautiful gardens, featuring gardens both large and small, but each one closely reflects the personality of its owner.

T: (905) 885-7929

W: www.acoporthope.ca 4 ★

Jul 11, Herb Festival
Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario

Vendors, food samples, face painting, demonstrations, games and wagon rides are just some of the activities planned for the day. Check our website for more details closer to the day.

T: (519) 866-5577

W: www.hertiaglineherbs.com 2

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 11 – 12, French Dressing International Dragon Boats Festival
Belleriver, Southwestern Ontario

The International Dragon Boats Festival is a three-day celebration of life, in support of breast cancer. Sat. Breast cancer survivor teams participate, with corporate teams paddling on Sun.

T: (519) 739-9588 ♿ 2 ★

W: www.internationaldragonboatsfestival.com

Jul 11 – 12, Grand Encampment of the War of 1812
Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

The largest War of 1812 re-enactment in North America will take place on the grounds near the Battle of Crysler's Farm Visitor Centre. Battles on Saturday afternoon and evening, Sunday afternoon. See ad on page 24.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com ♿ 5

Jul 11 – 12, Eugenia Gold Rush Days
Eugenia, Southwestern Ontario

Event celebrates local heritage with interpretive walking tours, Bruce Trail hikes, fishing derby, historical photo displays, gold panning, hunt for gold relay, art exhibits, beer tent and music.

T: (519) 924-3942

W: www.eugeniagoldrush.com ♿ 2

Jul 11 – 12, Sagamok Anishnawbak Annual Traditional Pow Wow
Massey, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.

T: 1-877-710-3211

W: www.circletrail.com 7

Jul 12 – 19, Greater Sudbury Blueberry Festival
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Look out for the various events and blueberry food offerings throughout Sudbury during the Blueberry Festival!

T: (705) 674-1717

W: www.blueberryfestival.ca ♿ 7

Jul 13 – 19, Sudbury Pride Week
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Sudbury Pride Week is a fun and fabulous arts and culture festival that celebrates the community's expression of harmony. We commemorate our diverse sexual and gender identities, histories, cultures, families, friends and lives.

T: (705) 525-2288

W: www.sudburypride.com ♿ 7

Jul 14 – 19, Festival Western Optimiste de Wendover
Wendover, Eastern Ontario

A six-day event filled with many activities. Many excellent artists appearing from Thu-Sun. Visit website for details. See ad on page 55.

T: (613) 446-1117

W: www.festivalwesternwendover.ca ♿ 5

Jul 14 – Aug 2, Scotiabank Toronto Caribana Festival
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

It began as an expression of the aspirations of the Caribbean community in Toronto. Great food, arts and crafts, entertainment and fun. Come visit the largest cultural festival in North America.

T: (416) 833-6164

W: www.caribanatoronto.com 1

Jul 14 – Aug 16, Fred Eaglesmith Charity Music Festival
Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario

Come out and see this popular entertainer for the day or the weekend. Fred's line-up includes Americana, Alternative Country, Bluegrass, Rock and just Great Song Writing. Enjoy great Canadian music!

T: (519) 773-9037

W: www.catfishcreek.ca 2

Jul 15 – 19, Just For Laughs Toronto Festival
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Killer stand-up, sensational free outdoor shows and some of the biggest names in comedy!

T: 1-888-244-3155

W: www.hahaha.com ♿ 1

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 16 – 18, Classic Cars and Legendary Stars
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Our 10th Anniversary - join us as Classic Cars fill the streets as Classic Rock fills the air. Three days of fun for all. See the website for details of each days events. See you there!

T: (905) 874-2936**W:** www.bramptondowntown.com ♿ 1 ★**Jul 16 – 18, Rotaryfest, The Sault's Summer Festival***Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Ontario*

INDULGE...Frolic...Boogie...Delight...Replenish and Refresh...all and so much more at Rotaryfest, The Sault's Summer Festival!

T: (705) 945-1279**W:** www.rotaryfest.com ♿ 7 ★**Jul 16 – 19, Barrie's 8th Annual Ribfest & Craft Beer Show***Barrie, Central Ontario*

The tastiest weekend of the summer! Come down to Memorial Square to enjoy ribs from professional BBQ Teams from across North America and craft beers from our own backyard!

T: (705) 734-1414**W:** www.downtownbarrie.ca 4**Jul 16 – 19, Listowel Agricultural Fair***Listowel, Southwestern Ontario*

Four-day Annual Agricultural Fair featuring an Ambassador of the Fair competition, a parade, livestock shows and much more. Food Booth on site. Something for everyone! Come and help celebrate the flavours and labours of North Perth as we feature local produce.

T: (519) 291-1907**W:** www.listowelfair.com ♿ 2**Jul 16 – 19, Bluesfest International Windsor**
Windsor, Southwestern Ontario

15th annual four-day world-class blues and roots artists presented on the banks of the beautiful Detroit River. Licensed, food, autographs/merchandise on site. Some reserved seating, bring lawn chairs.

T: (519) 977-9631**W:** www.thebluesfest.com ♿ 2**Jul 17, Huntsville Firefly Festival**
Huntsville, Central Ontario

Huntsville's quaint Main St. closes to cars and opens everyone's eyes to an evening of family fun, live entertainment, great food and lots of shopkeeper specials. You'll dance 'till midnight!

T: (705) 789-1400**W:** www.huntsvilleadventures.ca ♿ 4**Jul 17 – 18, Fiesta Buckhorn**
Buckhorn, Central Ontario

Fiesta Buckhorn provides visitors with a unique experience, combining fine wine, beer and local cuisine in a park-like setting. A fundraiser for the Buckhorn Community Centre.

T: (705) 657-8833**W:** www.fiestabuckhorn.com ♿ 4 ★**Jul 17 – 18, Kingston Symphony's 1812 Overture***Kingston, Eastern Ontario*

Kingston Symphony presents the 1812 Overture accompanied by the Fort Henry cannons. Guest performer to be announced. See ad on page 24.

T: (613) 542 7388**W:** www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★**Jul 17 – 18, Cayuga 150th Celebration/ CayugaFest***Cayuga, Southwestern Ontario*

A 'Grand' event with something for everyone! Parade, river activities, live entertainment, family events, artisans, vendors, food and more! Come celebrate with us! Come celebrate our 150th Birthday!

T: (905) 772-1984**W:** www.cayugafest.org ♿ 2**Jul 17 – 18, Cambridge Highland Games**
Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario

A pipe band competition, heavy events, highland dance competition, Scottish cuisine, tug-of-war and the massed bands. Enjoy children's heavy events, sheep herding and sheep to shawl. New 6km run!

T: (519) 222-2447**W:** www.cambridgehighlandgames.org ♿ 2

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Jul 17 – 19, Home County Folk Festival
London, Southwestern Ontario

Folk music festival with five stages during the day and bandshell performances in the evening. Juried craft show with 100 booths; 30 food booths; craft demonstration area; children's music and craft area.

T: (519) 432-4310**W:** www.homecounty.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 17 – 19, Lansdowne Fair**
Lansdowne, Eastern Ontario

Thurs. 'Sneak a Peek' - free admission. Fri: Fair Youth Ambassador, Mini King & Queen, Fair Ambassador, Live Entertainment. Sat: Demo Derby, Heavy horses. Sun: Antique cars, baby show, and more!

T: (613) 659-2399**W:** www.lansdownefair.com ♿ 5**Jul 17 – 19, Mount Forest Fireworks Festival**
Mount Forest, Southwestern Ontario

Fun in the Sun For All Ages, The largest rural car show in Ontario, live entertainment, street vendors, Fat Boys Cuisine, amusement park, spectacular Fireworks display Grande Finale!

T: (519) 323-4480**W:** www.mountforest.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 17 – 19, Lakefield Literary Festival**
Lakefield, Central Ontario

The 15th season of the Lakefield Literary Festival is held on the weekend closest to Margaret Laurence's birthday, showcases many current Canadian authors, while celebrating Kawartha Lakes authors.

T: (705) 652-7535**W:** www.lakefieldliteraryfestival.com ♿ 4**Jul 17 – 19, 32nd Annual Orillia Scottish Festival**
Orillia, Central Ontario

Join the celebrations! Ceilidh Friday and Sunday at Legion. 20 Band Parade, with Scottish festivities, entertainment and vendors at Couchiching Beach Park.

T: (705) 325-8442**W:** www.orilliascottishfestival.ca ♿ 4**Jul 17 – 19, Ennismore Shamrock Festival Truck & Tractor Pull***Ennismore, Central Ontario*

Fri. - Country 105 Video Dance. Sat has fun for the whole family and evening fireworks to enjoy! Action-packed Truck and Tractor Pull 12 noon Sun.

T: (705) 292-7034**W:** www.ennismoreshamrockfestival.com ♿ 4**Jul 17 – 19, Muskoka Arts & Crafts 47th Annual Summer Show***Bracebridge, Central Ontario*

Two hundred sensational artists and craftspeople from Muskoka and across Canada show and sell their original and handmade works. Ontario's first outdoor craft show and sale.

T: (705) 645-5501**W:** www.muskokaartsandcrafts.com ♿ 4**Jul 17 – 19, Festival Du Loup**
LaFontaine, Central Ontario

Festival du Loup celebrates the heritage, the language and the French-Canadian culture of the LaFontaine area. The festival runs all weekend and includes evening performances, outdoor family events and picnic.

T: (705) 533-3361**W:** www.festivalduloup.on.ca 4

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T: (613) 924-9680

W: www.athenslions.org/steamfair ♿ 5

Jul 17 – 19, Mississauga Rotary Ribfest
Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area

An annual family ribfest full of great food, beverages, live music, children's activities, carnival rides, vendors and more. Just minutes off Hwy. 403 in the heart of downtown Mississauga.

W: www.mississaugarotaryribfest.com 1

Jul 17 – 19, Parts Canada Superbike Doubleheader Weekend

Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

This biggest motorcycle racing weekend in Canada features Superbikes, Canadian Thunder and more classes, plus an outdoor expo and marketplace, demo rides. A great event for motorcycle lovers.

T: (905) 983-9141

W: www.mosport.com ♿ 1 ★

Jul 17 – 19, Uxbridge Legion Annual Ribfest
Uxbridge, Greater Toronto Area

The Uxbridge Legion Annual Ribfest will be the largest community event held in Uxbridge this summer. It happens thanks to our volunteers, sponsors and advertisers. 10,000 attended last year's festival.

T: (647) 220-8012

W: www.uxbridge.com/ribfest ♿ 1

Jul 17 – 19, Grand Bend 10th Annual Mopar Canadian Nationals

Grand Bend, Southwestern Ontario

Come out for the biggest drag race in Canada, featuring over 600 of the fastest and finest race cars in North America!

T: (519) 238-7223

W: www.grandbendmotorplex.com ♿ 2

Jul 17 – 19, Opwaaganisiningi Traditional Gathering

Nipigon, Northern Ontario

The gathering brings 20-25 drum groups, 200+ dancers, vendors and spectators from around the region, across the country and internationally. We offer cultural teachings, dancing and activities.

T: (807) 887-2510

W: www.redrockband.ca ♿ 7

Jul 17 – 19, Summerfest
Longlac, Northern Ontario

Longlac's annual Summerfest is a weekend celebration that caters to people. From the parade, to the ball tournament, to the famous fish fry, there is something for everybody. Come out and enjoy life.

T: (807) 876-4766

W: greenstone.ca ♿ 7 ★

Jul 17 – 19,
London, Southwestern Ontario

10th annual three-day blues and roots music festival featuring world-class artists, in the heart of Downtown. Licensed, food, autographs/merchandise on-site. Limited reserved seating. Bring lawn chair.

T: 1-866-934-6889

W: www.thebluesfest.ca ♿ 2

Jul 17 – 19, Sunsplash Festival
Belle River, Southwestern Ontario

Our annual Sunsplash Festival is enjoyed by all! A classic car cruise, parade Soltra lawn mower races provide entertainment for all ages. Carter shows carnival, vendors and food at the Lakeview Park.

T: (519) 728-4624

W: www.belleriverbia.com ♿ 2 ★

Jul 17 – 19, Uptown Waterloo Jazz Festival
Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

FREE open air concerts! 14 to 16 exceptional jazz performances over the duration of the festival. Licensed venue. Located in the Waterloo City Centre parking lot.

T: (519) 885-1921

W: www.uptownwaterloojazz.ca ♿ 2

Jul 17 – 26, Beaches International Jazz Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Ten-day outdoor jazz festival held lake side in the "Beach" community of east end Toronto. Free admission. Features over 100 bands! Includes workshops, community events. Attracts a million visitors.

T: (416) 698-4152

W: www.beachesjazz.com ♿ 1 ★

Jul 17 – 26, Windsor International Fringe Festival

Windsor, Southwestern Ontario

A five festivals-in-one event in downtown Windsor. The Fringe Theatre Festival, The Visual Fringe, The Chalk & Chocolate Festival, Buskin' to the Beat and The Windsor Int'l Buskers Festival.

T: (519) 258-9887

W: www.windsorfringe.com ♿ 2 ★

Jul 17 – Aug 9, Festival of the Sound
Parry Sound, Northern Ontario

Canada's premier summer chamber music event - takes place at the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts on the shores of beautiful Georgian Bay. See ad on page 59.

T: (705) 746-2410

W: www.festivalofthesound.ca ♿ 7

Jul 18, Mabuhay Philippines! Toronto Summer Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Annual festival of arts, culture, tradeshow and charity. Ethnic Dances from different regions, featured performers, over 300 booths for your shopping, delectable Philippine cuisine and desserts.

T: (416) 621-4985

W: www.pidctoronto.com ♿ 1 ★

Jul 18 – 19, Cactus Cattle and Cowboys Western Festival

Dutton, Southwestern Ontario

Horse and Horse drawn equipment parade at high noon, trail rides (bring your own horse) and family fun at our scenic location. Fun for the whole family.

T: 1-866-401-2965 2

W: www.westelgin.net

Jul 18 – 19, Dog Days of Scugog
Port Perry, Central Ontario

Ontario Dock Dogs, Skyhoundz Disc Dog, Rally Obedience, Daytripper Dog Training agility demos, doggie talent contest, fashion shows, vendor's market and more.

T: (905) 985-3589

W: www.scugogshoresmuseum.com ♿ 4

Jul 18 – 19, Echoes of Niagara's Past
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

Experience the sights and sounds of 200 years of Niagara's military heritage as living history re-enactors take the stage. Military vehicles, weapons and tactical displays.

T: (905) 468-6614

W: www.pc.gc.ca/fortgeorge ♿ 3

Jul 18 – 19, Friendly Massey Marathon
Massey, Northern Ontario

The scenic course is relatively flat. It is a certified race through Ontario Road Runners Association. Our great volunteers will assist the runners at our aid stations.

T: (705) 865-2655

W: www.friendlymasseymarathon.com ♿ 7 ★

Jul 19, Savannah Festival of Rhythms
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

This cultural festival brings together a lively mix of music featuring top R & B and Blues performers, visual arts, international cuisine and more.

T: (416) 461-5255

W: www.savannahrhythms.ca ♿ 1

Jul 20 – Aug 15, Music Niagara
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

Celebrate our 11th season. 30+ concerts - classics, jazz, opera, dance, spoken word - in historic, unique and unrivalled settings.

T: 1-877-MUS-FEST

W: www.niagaramusicfest.com ♿ 3

Jul 23 – 26, Collingwood Elvis Festival
Collingwood, Central Ontario

A community music festival celebrating the life and career of Elvis Presley. Something for all ages. Prices range from free to \$75. Events include concerts, contests, gospel service, vendors and more.

T: 1-866-444-1162 ♿ 4 ★

W: www.collingwoodelvisfestival.com

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 23 – 26, Mattawa Voyageur Days*Mattawa, Northern Ontario*

Mattawa is celebrating its 125th Anniversary and what better way to celebrate than with the best of the best of music entertainment. Check website for details of music line-up.

T: 1-800-267-4222**W:** www.voyageurdays.com ♿ 7 ★**Jul 23 – 25, Hanover Sights & Sounds Festival***Hanover, Southwestern Ontario*

Sights and Sounds is a celebration of music with a 5+ venue band tour, street dance, car show, family activities, theatre performance. Bring the whole family out to enjoy the sidewalk sales and fun.

T: (519) 364-2780**W:** www.sights-sounds.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 23 – 26, Fergus Truck Show***Fergus, Southwestern Ontario*

The leading Family Entertainment and Trucking event in North America features a Show & Shine competition, Truck and Tractor Pulls and non-stop musical entertainment.

Fun for the whole family!

T: (519) 843-3412**W:** www.fergustruckshow.com 2 ★**Jul 24 – 25, Annual Ontario Open Fiddle and Step Dance Competition***Bobcaygeon, Central Ontario*

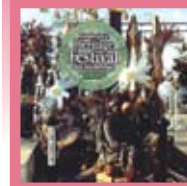
This chartered volunteer-run group conducts this event annually to preserve this pioneer cultural art form and to raise money for worthy charities.

T: (705) 738-2202**W:** www.fiddlecontest.ca 4**Jul 23 – 26, Sarnia Kinsmen Ribfest***Sarnia, Southwestern Ontario*

Award winning rib vendors, free entertainment, carnival, merchandise vendors.

T: (519) 542-5485**W:** www.sarniaribfest.com 2**Jul 24 – 25, Great Canadian Steak Cook-off***Whitby, Greater Toronto Area*

We would like to invite all steak lovers for a taste of a mouth watering 12 oz 'AAA' Canadian Beef Ribeye steak. This year we are expecting to cook nearly 1,000 steaks on Whitby's beautiful waterfront!

T: (905) 743-0770**W:** www.greatcanadiansteakcookoff.ca ♿ 1**Jul 24 – 26, Kapuskasing Annual Lumberjack Heritage Festival des bucherons***Kapuskasing, Northern Ontario*

A celebration of our culture and heritage. Activities for the entire family. Lumberjack competitions, daytime and evening entertainment, interactive displays, kids activities and

much more. See ad on page 63.

T: 1-800-463-6432**W:** www.kaplumberjack.com ♿ 7 ★**Jul 24 – 26, Hillside Festival***Guelph, Southwestern Ontario*

Hillside is a three-day, community-based celebration of music, drumming and the spoken word. We feature music performances and workshops on five different stages. Annually held at Guelph Lake Island.

T: (519) 763-6396**W:** www.hillsidefestival.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 24 – 26, Ribfest/In Water Boat & Cottage Show***Gravenhurst, Central Ontario*

Mouth-watering chicken and ribs from seven of Canada's most respected rib vendors. A full weekend of entertainment for the whole family... don't forget your napkin!

T: (705) 687-3412**W:** www.gravenhurst.ca ♿ 4

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Jul 24 – 26, Greek Festival*Sudbury, Northern Ontario*

Enjoy traditional food, dancing and entertainment at the Hellenic Centre, 486 Ester Road.

T: 1-800-708-2505**W:** www.mysudbury.ca ♿ 7**Jul 24 – 26, Norseman Floatplane Festival***Red Lake, Northern Ontario*

Community Festival honoring Noorduyn Norseman. Celebrates floatplanes vintage aircraft, our history and northern way of life. Fly In, street festival, local culture, entertainers and more.

T: (807) 727-9996**W:** www.norsemanfestival.on.ca ♿ 7 ★**Jul 24 – 26, Whitefish Lake Pow Wow***Naughton, Northern Ontario*

The Whitefish Lake First Nations Pow Wow is a traditional gathering which helps us keep our traditional teachings and customs. Enjoy the songs and dances of our people in their traditional regalia.

T: (705) 692-3651**W:** www.wlfn.com 7**Jul 24 – 26, Zurich Fair***Zurich, Southwestern Ontario*

Fri. entertainment and dance. Sat. a parade, homecraft exhibits, children's games, livestock shows. Sun. a jamboree at 1pm and speed horse show at 10am.

T: (519) 236-4130**W:** www.huroncounty.ca 2**Jul 25, Barrie Latin Festival***Barrie, Central Ontario*

The Festival will feature a diverse and entertaining program of music and performance with non-stop Latin musicians, folkloric dancers, bands, children's area and activities, artisan's crafts and the smell of good latin cooking.

T: 1-888-848 5462**W:** www.barrielatinfestival.com 4**Jul 25, Fort Henry Military Tattoo***Kingston, Eastern Ontario*

Share exciting evenings of Brass and Pipe Bands, Highland Dancers, the finale mass band performance set to fireworks! Garrison Stores for souvenirs!

T: (613) 542-7388**W:** www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★**Jul 25 – 26, Harbour Day***Whitby, Greater Toronto Area*

Enjoy live entertainment, children's activities and waterski shows. Enjoy a cruise aboard the Empire Sandy. Call for tickets in advance. Fireworks at dusk.

T: (905) 430-4310**W:** www.whitby.ca ♿ 1 ★**Jul 25, Summer Art Fest 2009!***Brampton, Greater Toronto Area*

Join us for a community showcase of art, music, performance and crafts! Fun for the whole family. Expose yourself to the arts!

T: (416) 821-1962**W:** www.bramptonartfair.com ♿ 1

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T: 1-800-535-4549**W:** www.kenora.ca ♿ 7**Jul 24 – 25, Gore Bay Summer Festival***Gore Bay, Northern Ontario*

A two day music festival featuring a number of various artists.

T: (705) 282-2420**W:** www.gorebay.ca ♿ 7**Jul 25, Loggers Day***Algonquin Park, Northern Ontario*

A highly entertaining and educational day as the Algonquin Logging Museum comes alive with historic and modern logging activities, authentic food, great music and a host of genuine logging characters!

T: (613) 637-2828**W:** www.algonquinpark.on.ca ♿ 7**Jul 25, Owen Sound Heritage Day***Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario*

See the Russel Tugs! Take a ride on OBIE the CN Mascot Train! Kid's Corner and a scale model railway. Thomas the Train will be on site. Participate in games, activities, draws and more! Food on site.

T: (519) 371-3333**W:** www.marinerail.com ♿ 2**Jul 25, Bee Beard Festival***Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario*

Beekeeper Olympics start at 1:30. Bee Beard Competition starts at 2:30, safely watch from behind screen. Wagon rides, live music, face painting, lots of family fun. Charity for a women's shelter.

T: (519) 773-5503**W:** www.clovermead.com ♿ 2**Jul 25 – 26, An 1860s Election***Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario*

Debates, speeches, heckling and bribery are all part of this re-enactment event. Visitors meeting the criteria of the time may vote for their favourite historical candidate.

T: (613) 443-4328**W:** www.uppercanadavillage.com ♿ 5**Jul 25 – Aug 3, Nipigon Centennial Celebration***Nipigon, Northern Ontario*

Rediscover Nipigon at the Crossroads of Canada as we celebrate our Centennial or 100 winters. Many events are planned during our Celebration Week.

T: (807) 887-3476**W:** www.nipigoncentennial.ca ♿ 7**Jul 25 – Aug 8, Chantry Chinook****Classic Salmon Derby***Port Elgin, Southwestern Ontario*

Fish the Lake Huron Shoreline for Salmon and Trout where you can eat what you catch! Great prizes! See website for details.

T: (519) 483-3030**W:** www.chantrychinook.com ♿ 2**Jul 25 – Aug 8, Ottawa International Chamber Music Festival***Ottawa, Ottawa Region*

Recognized as one of Canada's most important cultural events – the 16th Ottawa International Chamber Music Festival will feature internationally acclaimed musicians.

Entry by affordable pass system.

T: (613) 234-8008**W:** www.chamberfest.com ♿ 6 ★**July 26, Telephone City Car Show***Brantford, Southwestern Ontario*

Step back in time and visit Downtown Brantford this summer. The streets will be lined with cars from the past. Harmony Square will be the event's headquarters. Music, food and fun for the whole family!

T: (519) 759-2912**W:** www.telephonecitycarshow.com ♿ 2 ★**Jul 30 – Aug 1, Kenora Agriculture Fair***Kenora, Northern Ontario*

98th Annual Agri Fair! Petting zoo, horseshoe pitching, exhibits, judging (produce, flowers), farmer's olympics, pancake breakfast and evening entertainment! Fun for the whole family!

T: 1-800-535-4549**W:** www.kenorafair.ca ♿ 7**Jul 30 – Aug 2, Rockhound Gemboree***Bancroft, Central Ontario*

The 46th annual Rockhound Gemboree is the largest Gem and Mineral Show in Canada. Over 100 dealers from across Canada, the U.S. and Europe showcase and sell their

magnificent specimens and jewellery.

T: (613) 332-1513**W:** www.bancroftdistrict.com ♿ 4 ★**Jul 30 – Aug 2, Huntsville Jazz Festival***Huntsville, Central Ontario*

Four day Jazz festival featuring evening indoor concerts, a Saturday day long outdoor music event and jazz music throughout the community.

T: (705) 789-4975**W:** www.huntsvillefestival.on.ca ♿ 4**Jul 30 – Aug 3, IRIE Music Festival***Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*

IRIE Fest is one of Toronto's most exciting new festivals, presenting some of Canada's finest reggae, world and gospel talents alongside international stars. We also feature the arts, food and drink.

T: (905) 799-1630 x 29**W:** www.iriemusicfestival.com ♿ 1**Jul 31 – Aug 2, Harbourfest***Kenora, Northern Ontario*

This is the biggest event in Kenora!! Come and enjoy the musical events under the big tent on the harbourfront. 2008 showcased Paul Brandt! Watermelon toss for kids - fun for the whole family!

T: 1-800-535-4549**W:** www.harbourfest.ca ♿ 7**Jul 31 – Aug 1, Glengarry Highland Games***Maxville, Eastern Ontario*

One of North America's largest celtic festivals, the Games offer massed pipe bands, heavyweights, highland dancing and piping competitions, great celtic entertainment,

over 100 Scottish vendors.

T: (613) 527-2876 ♿ 5 ★**W:** www.glengarryhighlandgames.com**Jul 31 – Aug 2, Summer in the Park***North Bay, Northern Ontario*

Free family event at Lee Park. Petting zoo, exotic pet shows, family entertainment, heritage/community group displays, Ronald McDonald Sports Zone, World's Finest Shows Midway and more.

T: 1-800-465-1882 x 335 ♿ 7 ★**W:** www.northbaysummerinthepark.ca**Jul 31 – Aug 2, Geraldton Music Jamboree***Geraldton, Northern Ontario*

This will be the 15th Annual Geraldton Music Jamboree which is hosted at the beautiful shores of Kenogamsis Lake. Previous acts include Theory of a Deadman, Trooper, April Wine and Tom Cochrane.

T: (807) 854-1102 ♿ 7**Jul 31 – Aug 2, Port Burwell Tub Daze***Port Burwell, Southwestern Ontario*

Summer weekend family and tourist fun event. Friday night teen dance. Sat & Sun enjoy children's activities, museum exhibits, beach sports, food, fun and beer tent. Aug 2 fireworks at dusk.

T: (519) 874-4450**W:** www.bayham.on.ca ♿ 2 ★**Jul 31 – Aug 2, 147th Emancipation Celebration Festival***Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario*

Join us in celebrating the journey of our ancestors within the Underground Railroad's most northerly haven. Bring your family and friends for a weekend of music, art, storyboards, crafts and more.

T: (905) 331-0020**W:** www.emancipation.ca ♿ 2

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Jul 31 – Aug 2, Mill Race Festival of Traditional Folk Music

Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario

A unique event, this festival features traditional folk music from various cultures set amidst 19th century heritage architecture. Free admission; rain or shine.

T: (519) 621-7135

W: www.millracefolksociety.com ♿ 2

Jul 31 – Aug 3, 39th Annual Kempenfest

Barrie, Central Ontario

One of North America's largest outdoor arts and crafts festivals including antique show, food and fantastic entertainment.

T: (705) 739-4216

W: www.kempenfest.com ♿ 4 ★

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Rideau Canal Festival

Ottawa, Ottawa Region

Celebrating Ontario's only UNESCO World Heritage Site. Get out to the Canal, Dows Lake, Confederation Park and the Bytown Museum for four days of history and heritage, colourful flotillas,

canoeing and more. An eco-friendly event with activities open to everyone!

T: (613) 301-4554

W: www.rideaucanalfestival.ca 6 ★

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival

Port Colborne, Niagara Falls and Region

A celebration of our community's Marine Heritage along Ontario's South Coast at the height of summer. Tall ships, cruises, concerts, vendors, kites, cars and much more.

T: (905) 834-1668

W: www.canaldays.ca ♿ 3 ★

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Rotary - Lions Annual Funfest

Orillia, Central Ontario

Midway, vendors, games of chance and more! Great fun for the whole family! Couchiching Beach Park.

T: (705) 327-3210

W: www.orillia.com ♿ 4

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Scarborough Rotary Ribfest

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

Ribfest featuring 10 teams of Ribbers, other food vendors, beer tent, crafters, live entertainment, carnival with rides and games.

T: (416) 438-4622

W: www.scarboroughribfest.com ♿ 1

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Capreol Days

Capreol, Northern Ontario

An annual community festival with the goal of bringing the community together to celebrate. It is held on the Civic Holiday weekend in August and has events aimed at all age levels.

T: (705) 858-1832

W: www.capreol-tourism.com ♿ 7

Jul 31 – Aug 3, Ribfest & Home Show in the Park

London, Southwestern Ontario

Family Shows is the new promoter of 2009 Ribfest. We will be combining it with our new "Home Show in the Park" to create a greater variety of food, entertainment and home exhibits.

T: (519) 432-5189

W: www.fscanada.com 2

Jul 31 – Aug 9, The 27th Annual Sioux Lookout Blueberry Festival

Sioux Lookout, Northern Ontario

The 27th Annual Sioux Lookout Blueberry Festival has something for everyone, including: a music and cultural festival, children's entertainment, BBQs, sporting events, arts and crafts, and much more!

T: (807) 737-3227

W: www.blueberrybert.com 7 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Bask in the Fun

Attend a summer theatre performance, experience the excitement of a Broadway musical or



enjoy the intimacy of an avant-garde fringe festival. Check out the importance of the potato at the **36th Annual Alliston Potato Festival**. Wear your kilt to the **Fergus Scottish Festival** or **Glengarry's Highland Games**. Immerse yourself in the deliciousness of the **Korny Corn Festival** in

Markham, the **Winona Peach Festival** or **Toronto's JerkFest**.

The best in North America compete at the **Kingston Sheepdog Trials**. Lots of fun in the sun at the **Cobourg Sandcastle Festival**, the **Pembroke Waterfront Festival** and **Burlington Children's Festival**.

There's fun for the entire family at the **Dundas Cactus Festival**. Enjoy side-splitting comedy and

eye-popping acrobatics at **Busker Festivals** in **Port Credit, Toronto** and **Waterloo**. Get in on some midway madness at the nation's largest **Canadian National Exhibition** and **Ottawa's SuperEx**.



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Aug 1, MuslimFest Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area



MuslimFest celebrates the best in Muslim arts and entertainment. Enjoy music, drumming sessions, films, paintings, sculptures, comedy, bazaar, international food, and more at

this two-day festival.
T: (416) 312-2211

W: www.muslimfest.com ♿ 1 ★

Aug 1, Emancipation Day Celebration at Uncle Tom's Cabin

Dresden, Southwestern Ontario

Emancipation Day commemorates the Abolition Act of 1833 that put an end to slavery in Canada and the British Empire. Enjoy traditional music, reenactments, lectures and African-Canadian cuisine.

T: (519) 683-2978

W: www.uncletomscabin.org ♿ 2

Aug 1, Port Sydney Annual Regatta

Port Sydney, Central Ontario

Swimming races and sand sculptures in the morning. Canoe races in the afternoon. Watermelon football at the end of the day. Prizes and awards. Refreshments, BBQ and music.

T: (705) 385-0490

W: www.portsydneycofc.com ♿ 4

Aug 1, Campbellford Waterfront Festival

Campbellford, Central Ontario

Enjoy a cardboard boat regatta, belly flop contest, beach volleyball, tubing races, and lots of fun-filled activities for everyone.

T: (705) 653-4335

W: www.visitcampbellford.ca 4

Aug 1 – 2, Toronto Turkish Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Celebrate the culture of Turkey at Younger/ Dundas Square. Enjoy the sights, sounds and aromas of Turkey. Art, handcrafts, Turkish cuisine, music, folk dance and much more. A day not to be missed!

T: (416) 269-7670

W: www.torontoturkishfestival.com ♿ 1

Aug 1 – 2, Military Heritage Days

Amherstburg, Southwestern Ontario

Kick off the long weekend with a bang as you explore 200 years of military life! Enjoy tactical demonstrations, exploring the encampments, fun filled children's activities and heritage merchants.

T: (519) 736-5416

W: www.pc.gc.ca/malden ♿ 2

Aug 1 – 2, Estival

Port Hope, Central Ontario

Over thirty different performances will entertain in tents and stages throughout the downtown. Street performers, artists, artisan vendors and international food tasting and fashion show.

T: 1-888-767-8467

W: www.porthopeestival.ca ♿ 4 ★

Aug 1 – 2, 4th Annual Cobourg Sandcastle Festival

Cobourg, Central Ontario

Dig up your shovels and pails and get down and dirty in Cobourg this summer! Join us August 1st and 2nd for the 4th Annual Sandcastle Festival! Also come and enjoy a movie on the beach at dusk.

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.cobourgtourism.ca 4 ★

Aug 1 – 3, Carib-Latin Festival

Collingwood, Central Ontario

Celebrate summer in Ontario's favourite outdoor playground with live reggae and latin music, street performers and family activities. Plus gondola rides, mountain biking, hiking, aqua centre and more.

T: 1-877-445-0231 x 6280

W: www.villageatblue.com ♿ 4 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Aug 1 – 3, Simcoe Rotary Friendship Festival

Simcoe, Southwestern Ontario

Norfolk's Largest and Friendliest Summer Festival delights thousands of visiting friends of all ages with a fun filled weekend of arts, crafts, antiques, food, entertainment, fishing derby and more.

T: (519) 426-9436 ♿ 2 ★

W: www.simcoerotaryfriendshipfestival.com

Aug 1 – 3, 49th Annual Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve Cultural Festival and Pow Wow

Wikwemikong, Northern Ontario

Witness the beauty of Native American song and dance, handmade art, and savour culinary delights. The finest dancers from across North America will compete for over \$70,000 in prize money.

T: (705) 859-2385

W: www.wikwemikongheritage.org 7

Aug 2 – 3, Ice Cream Festival

Rockton, Southwestern Ontario

Experience the fun and nostalgia of ice cream from Pioneer to Victorian times. Live music, horse and wagon rides, face painting, magic shows, cotton candy, period crafts, games and much more.

T: 1-800-883-0104

W: www.westfieldheritage.ca ♿ 2

Aug 2 – 3, Woodbridge Italian Festival

Woodbridge, Greater Toronto Area

Live entertainment, Miss Woodbridge Italia Pageant, Vaughan Fame Award, arts and crafts, vendors, sports and tournaments.

T: (905) 856-2823

W: www.lospecchio.com 1

Aug 2 – 15, Kincardine Summer Music Festival

Kincardine, Southwestern Ontario

Features music camps for all ages. Concert Series (Jazz Week/Festival Week). Visit website for full details.

T: 1-866-453-9716

W: www.ksmf.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 3, John Galt Day Festival

Guelph, Southwestern Ontario

Celebrating Guelph's heritage with free entertainment, historical displays, water sports and activities for the whole family.

T: (519) 837-5662

W: www.guelph.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 3, Joseph Brant Day Festival!

Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Joseph Brant Day is the regionally recognized annual event at La Salle Park in Burlington. Food & beverage vendors, activities & games for all ages, demonstrations and fantastic performances all day!

T: (905) 634-3556

W: www.museumsofburlington.com ♿ 1

Aug 3 – 9, Oshawa Jazz & Blues Festival

Oshawa, Greater Toronto Area

A week long celebration of music, culture and community that takes place at several venues throughout the city of Oshawa and surrounding areas.

T: (905) 743-0770

W: www.oshawajazzandbluesfestival.com ♿ 1



DISCOVERY HARBOUR

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2009 Highlights & Events

- Guided tours of historic properties
- On-deck activities aboard replica ships H.M.S. Bee and H.M.S. Tecumseth
- Special summer activities including sailor's ropework, 19th-century cooking, dockyard demonstrations, quill pen writing, and historic games (July-August)
- Métis Day Bo'jou Neejee: August 8



For historic site opening dates, please visit www.hhp.on.ca



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Aug 5 – 9, Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship

Shelburne, Southwestern Ontario

Featuring Canada's top fiddlers competing for \$20,000 in prizes, April Verch fiddle and stepdance show, parade, market, beer garden, non-denominational church service, camping, fiddle workshops.

T: (519) 925-8620

W: www.shelburnefiddlecontest.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 5 – 9, Windsor Pride

Windsor, Southwestern Ontario

A five-day festival celebrating the diversity of the LGBT community in Windsor. Featuring world-class entertainment, Saturday Night Dance Party, annual Pride Parade, great food, merchant vendors and more!

T: (519) 973-4656

W: www.windsorpride.com ♿ 2

Aug 6 – 8, Summer Music Fest & Sidewalk Days

Woodstock, Southwestern Ontario

Come for great bargains, food and entertainment. The street is closed to vehicle traffic so come out and have fun - check out the bands and street performers.

T: (519) 537-5721

W: www.downtownwoodstock.ca ♿ 2

Aug 6 – 9, Shania Twain World Wide Fan Convention

Timmins, Northern Ontario

A weekend of Shania Twain related activities including visits to Shania-related locales, trivia contest, auction and other fun-filled events.

T: 1-800-387-8466

W: www.shaniatwaincentre.com ♿ 7

Aug 6 – 10, TD Canada Trust Kitchener Blues Festival

Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

This free four-day event celebrates the best of international and regional blues performers; electric, R&B, gospel, swing, acoustic on four stages with a spectacular BBQ experience.

T: (519) 571-2555

W: www.kitchenerbluesfestival.com ♿ 2 ★

Aug 7 – 8, Steamship Festival

Gravenhurst, Central Ontario

Explore exquisite uptown Gravenhurst while shopping the streets, enjoying unique foods and local entertainment.

T: (705) 687-3412

W: www.gravenhurstbia.com 4

Aug 7 – 9, Orillia Waterfront Festival

Orillia, Central Ontario

In-water boat show, cottage and outdoor gear, variety of vendors, waterski shows, musical entertainment and more! Hilarious cardboard boat race Sunday. Port of Orillia and Couchiching Beach Park.

T: 1-888-326-4424

W: www.orillia.com ♿ 4 ★

Aug 7 – 9, Kingston Sheep Dog Trials

Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Visit Canada's Largest Sheepdog Trials. You'll also enjoy a craft fair, K9 demos, birds of prey, reptiles, jungle cats, Mad Science Kids area and more. A family event with something for all ages! See ad on page 71.

T: (613) 546-4291 x 1706 ♿ 5 ★

W: www.cityofkingston.ca/sheepdogtrials

Aug 7 – 9, Downtown Oakville Jazz Festival

Oakville, Greater Toronto Area

Experience a Taste of Bourbon Street... in Downtown Oakville! Celebrating 17 years of great Jazz, incredible shopping and fantastic summer dining!

T: (905) 844-4520

W: www.oakvillejazz.com ♿ 1

Aug 7 – 9, Verona Festival

Verona, Eastern Ontario

The Verona Festival is a joyful expression of our community. For three days, neighbours, newcomers, and visitors enjoy music, games, food, and good fellowship.

T: (613) 374-3807 ♿ 5 ★

W: www.veronacommunity.on.ca/festival.htm

Aug 7 – 9, Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games

Fergus, Southwestern Ontario

An interactive family celebration of Scottish culture featuring Tattoo, pipe bands, highland dancing, heavy events, clans, heritage tent, MacKiddie centre, genealogy and celtic music.

T: 1-866-871-9442

W: www.fergusscottishfestival.com ♿ 2 ★

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Aug 7 – 9, Earth, Air, Fire & Water, Celtic Roots Festival

Goderich, Southwestern Ontario

Music, crafts, art, dance from Ireland, Scotland and elsewhere. Canada's oldest celtic festival.

T: (519) 524-8221

W: www.celticfestival.ca ♿ 2

Aug 7 – 9, Festival of Friends

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

The Festival of Friends is the largest free music festival featuring three internationally known headliners and local talent throughout the day. Craft and food vendors. Free family fun.

T: (905) 777-9777

W: www.creativearts.on.ca ♿ 2

Aug 7 – 9, Pelee Fest

Pelee Island, Southwestern Ontario

Pelee Fest is a community festival for the entire family! Events include a festival tent with live entertainment, children's inflatable activities, carnival games, craft and food vendors and more.

T: (519) 919-8175

W: www.pelee.org ♿ 2

Aug 7 – 9, 36th Annual Alliston Potato Festival

Alliston, Central Ontario

Alliston celebrates the importance of the potato to the province's agriculture with a three-day festival, including fairgrounds, parade, craft and food vendors, flea market, concerts and street performers.

T: (705) 435-9708

W: www.allistonpotatofestival.com ♿ 4 ★

Aug 7 – 9, 14th Annual Trout Forest Music Festival

Ear Falls, Northern Ontario

This festival features world class performers from across many different musical genres.

Along with great music, the festival also features a wide variety of entertainment for every family member.

T: 1-866-876-8833

W: www.troutfest.com ♿ 7

Aug 7 – 9, Brockville Ribfest

Brockville, Eastern Ontario

Free fun-filled family food festival! Ribbers from across North America prepare succulent ribs and spectacular chicken! Enjoy grilled corn, bloomin' onions, Krisda Kidz Zone, live entertainment and more!

T: (613) 345-0281

W: www.brockvilleribfest.ca ♿ 5

Aug 7 – 9, Rock of Ages Festival

Brantford, Southwestern Ontario

Hundreds of performers saluting the Legends of Music, tribute artist competition, Rock of Ages Showcase, outdoor concerts, theme related activities, memorabilia vendors, non-stop entertainment.

T: (519) 752-1694

W: memphismotion.com ♿ 2

Aug 7 – 9, Steam & Gas Engine Museum 25th Annual Show

McGregor, Southwestern Ontario

This year we feature Minneapolis Moline, Massey Tractors and Machinery. Members exhibit their tractors, engines and many other collections.

T: (519) 726-6497

W: www.essexsteamandgasengine.com ♿ 2



Kingston Sheep Dog Trials

Grass Creek Park, Highway #2 east

Aug. 7 to 9, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily

You'll also enjoy Birds of Prey, K9 games and agility, sheep shearing, a craft and artisans fair, sheep to shawl competition, Mad Science kids area, live entertainment and much more!

www.cityofkingston.ca/sheepdog

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Aug 7 – 9, Wallaceburg Antique Motor and Boat Outing

Wallaceburg, Southwestern Ontario

Wallaceburg Antique Motor & Boat Outing, Canada's biggest antique transportation display featuring cars, wooden boats, aircraft, trucks, fire trucks, motorcycles, soap box derby entertainment and more!

T: (519) 627-8000

W: www.kent.net/wambo 🇺🇸 2

Aug 7 – 9, Campbellford Seymour Fair

Campbellford, Central Ontario

Classic country fair featuring a vintage tractor pull, the Red Barn Children's Centre, Old MacDonalds Farm, agricultural exhibits, and demonstrations. Midway and demolition derby.

T: (705) 696-2649

W: www.campbellfordfair.ca 🇺🇸 4

Aug 7 – 9, Pembroke Waterfront Festival

Pembroke, Eastern Ontario

Festival celebrating Pembroke with culture and music from roots to rock. Live entertainment, children's activity zone, vendors, food and so much more. Fun for the whole family!

T: (613) 735-6821 x 1501

W: www.pembroke.ca 🇺🇸 5 ★

Aug 8, Arts Festival & Farmers' Market

Port Hope, Central Ontario

Held on the lawns behind Town Hall, find talented artists and artisans along with Farmers' Market stalls. Shop for beautiful jewelry, clothing, paintings and much more.

T: (905) 885-8792

W: www.porthope.ca 🇺🇸 4 ★

Aug 8, Indian Truck Show

Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

The Great Canadian Indian Truck Show offers an amazing Indian cultural experience, with an Indian Festive flair. Trade show, Show & Shine and entertainment!

T: (905) 500-6397

W: www.indiantruckshow.com 1

Aug 8, Métis Day Bo'jou Neejee

Penetanguishene, Central Ontario



The Métis have strong historical ties to Discovery Harbour. Métis Day showcases their culture and lifestyle with artisans, music, special exhibits, and displays. See ad page 69.

T: (705) 549-8064

W: www.discoveryharbour.on.ca 🇺🇸 4 ★

Aug 8 – 9, Cloyne 150

Cloyne, Eastern Ontario

Celebration of 150 years of history. Hear bluegrass, pan for golf, spin and weave, saw logs, see displays and artifacts from the area. Honour the art of the Group of Seven who painted in the area.

T: (613) 336-6858

W: www.mazinaw.on.ca/pioneerclub 🇺🇸 5

Aug 8 – 9, Puppets Up! International Puppet Festival

Almonte, Mississippi Mills, Eastern Ontario

A unique celebration of the art of puppetry with 10 professional troupes performing 20 shows per day in tent theatres. Also offers a continual buzz of free street entertainment. Great family fun.

T: (613) 256-3031

W: www.puppets.ca 🇺🇸 5

Aug 8 – 9, Manitoulin Country Fest III

Manitoulin Island, Northern Ontario

Two days of great country music on beautiful Manitoulin Island. Featuring Johnny Reid, Michelle Wright, Doc Waler, Carroll Baker, Crystal Shawanda, Crystal Gage, Alex J. Robinson and many more.

T: (705) 368-1419

W: www.theislandfm.com/countryfest 🇺🇸 7

Aug 8 – 9, Exeter Rodeo

Exeter, Southwestern Ontario

The Dodge Rodeo thunders back into Exeter! Cowboy up to join the fun and tradition.

T: (519) 235-2833

W: www.southhuron.ca 🇺🇸 2 ★

Aug 8 – 9, JerkFest

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

JerkFest is a family oriented Jerk Food festival; where patrons flock each year to get their fix of jerk chicken, pork, fish, lobster etc. JerkFest is sure to please!

T: (416) 993-5123

W: www.jerkfestival.ca 🇺🇸 1

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Aug 8 – 9, Festival of Textiles

Keene, Central Ontario

Experience all aspects of textile production and embellishment including, sheep shearing, wool carving, spinning, dyeing, felting, knitting, crocheting, rug hooking, embroidery, quilting and weaving.

T: (705) 295-6694

W: www.langpioneervillage.ca 🇺🇸 4

Aug 12 – 16, Festival de la Curo

St-Albert, Eastern Ontario

The star of the Festival de la Curo, the cheese Curo, has quite a story of freshness. All around, the Festival is a three day family event with shows, activities, rodeo and a lot of cheese!

T: 1-800-465-1553

W: www.festivaldelacuro.com 🇺🇸 5

Aug 12 – 16, Walton TransCan Grand National Championship

Walton, Southwestern Ontario

This is a week long festival of fun and excitement! This annual "Celebration of Canadian Motocross" is Canada's biggest motocross event hosting 25,000+ visitors.

T: (519) 887-6735

W: www.waltontranscan.ca 🇺🇸 2

Aug 13 – 16, Buckhorn Fine Art Festival

Buckhorn, Central Ontario



Discover art of the highest quality in a beautiful setting. Meet over 90 artists and buy a broad range of originals and prints, jewelry, pottery, sculptures, silk quilting. Live entertainment.

T: 1-877-300-9766

W: www.buckhornfineart.com 🇺🇸 4 ★

Aug 13 – 16, Festival at the Forty

Grimsby, Niagara Falls and Region

Come celebrate the Forty Mile Creek with the Merchants of Downtown Grimsby. Children's activities, green vendors, buskers, fair food, live entertainment and much more.

T: (905) 945-1155

W: www.friendlybynature.ca 🇺🇸 3

Aug 13 – 16, Dundas Cactus Festival

Dundas, Southwestern Ontario



Three-day long outdoor festival with something for the whole family: baby contest, free music and event entertainment on three stages and street zones. An exciting demonstration from

BMX, skateboarders. See ad on page 73.

T: (905) 627-0926

W: www.dundascactusfest.ca 🇺🇸 2 ★

Aug 13 – 16, Havelock Country Jamboree

Havelock, Central Ontario

Some of the best Country Artists in the world are about to grace Havelock on our awesome 20th Anniversary! What is a Jamboree anyway? In Havelock it's a Music & Camping Event that will change your life forever.

T: 1-800-539-3353

W: www.havelockjamboree.com 🇺🇸 4 ★



Cactus Festival
Dundas, Ontario

August 13 - 16

www.dundascactusfest.ca



Aug 13 – 16, Leamington Tomato Festival *Leamington, Southwestern Ontario*

Family festival honoring Leamington Tomato history. Beauty pageant, parade, children's activities, entertainment, car show, soap box derby. Seacliff Park.

T: 1-800-250-3336

W: www.leamingtontomatofestival.com ♿ 2 ★

Aug 14 – 16, Markham Jazz Festival *Markham, Greater Toronto Area*

Enjoy three days of jazz at various stages and street locations on Unionville Main Street, Markham Main Street, and "Hot Spots" (pubs and restaurants around the area). Enjoy live jazz in all its genres. See ad on inside front cover.

T: (905) 471-5299

W: www.markhamjazzfestival.com 1 ★

Aug 14 – 16, 18th Annual Jarvis Cornfest *Jarvis, Southwestern Ontario*

Country Family Festival with crafts, displays, Friday night concert, fireworks, and entertainment all weekend. SloPitch, antique farm machinery, Saturday night concert, Sunday car show.

T: 519-587-5676

W: www.cornfest.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 14 – 16, Summerfolk Music & Crafts Festival *Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario*

Festival offers the finest in folk, roots, traditional music in three evening stages and five workshop stages during the day, Food Village, First Nations Village demonstrations and Children's Village.

T: (519) 371-2995

W: www.summerfolk.org ♿ 2 ★

Aug 14 – 16, Western Ontario Steam Threshers Show *Forest, Southwestern Ontario*

Antique steam engines, family program daily, crafts, vendors, flea market, mini tractor pulling, log sawing, new equipment expo, ladies fashion show and much more!

T: (519) 849-5709

W: www.steamthresher.com ♿ 2

Aug 14 – 16, Quinte Ribfest proudly sponsored by Investors Group *Belleville, Eastern Ontario*

Visit Quinte's 3rd Annual Ribfest supporting Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Enjoy mouth-watering ribs, chicken and pulled pork, while enjoying live music and much more. Don't miss this BBQ, it's RIB-rageous!

T: (613) 962-3666

W: www.quinteribfest.com ♿ 5

Aug 14 – 16, Northumberland Rotary Ribfest *Cobourg, Central Ontario*

Come and enjoy many different varieties of ribs, live entertainment and much more at beautiful Victoria Park.

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.northumberlandribfest.ca 4 ★

Aug 14 – 16, Mitchell Cornfest *Mitchell, Southwestern Ontario*

Cornfest in August features a ball tournament, soap box derby, music and entertainment.

T: (519) 348-8429

W: www.westperth.com 2

Aug 14 – 16, Winnie's Hometown Festival *White River, Northern Ontario*

Families come out and enjoy a fun-filled weekend featuring live entertainment, heritage walking tours, parades, dances, fireworks, games and more!

T: 1-888-517-1673

W: www.whiteriverlibrary.com 7

Aug 15, MUSICwestport *Westport, Eastern Ontario*

It's back. It's free. 3rd annual festival of Sound and Scenery. 9 bands at 3 outdoor locations: The Cove Inn: 2 Bedford St. SOHO's: 43 Bedford St. A Victorian Reflection: 16 Church St. Bring a chair. Enjoy. No more words - it's all about the music.

T: (613) 273-8333

W: www.westportartscouncil.ca ♿ 5 ★

Aug 15, Rock the Mill *Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario*

Cambridge's largest annual youth festival, created for youth, by youth. Headlining numerous stages with prominent bands, along with vendors, a mobile skate park and food - a great day for youth.

T: (519) 740-4681 x 4369

W: www.rockthemill.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 15, The London Dragon Boat Race Festival *London, Southwestern Ontario*

An exciting community event featuring dragon boat racing, great food, interesting cultural displays and arts and crafts. Pledges to teams benefit the Children's Hospital at London Health Sciences Centre.

T: (519) 494-4785

W: www.dragonboatlondon.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 15 – 16, United States Marine Corps Week *Kingston, Eastern Ontario*

The military sounds and displays of the Battle Colour detachment of the US Marine Corps visit Kingston for a performance unlike any other.

T: (613) 542 7388

W: www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★

Aug 15 – 16, Fife & Drum Corps Muster & Soldiers' Field Day *Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region*

Historic martial corps of music and soldiers from Canadian and American historic sites display their ancient skills.

T: (905) 468-6614

W: www.pc.gc.ca/fortgeorge ♿ 3

Aug 15 – 16, Amherstburg Heritage Homecoming *Amherstburg, Southwestern Ontario*

Historical re-enactment, car show, 3x3 basketball, parade, volleyball, Kids games, crafters, vendors, Gospel Music, open air church on Sunday. Food, all welcome.

T: (519) 551-9840

W: www.amherstburg.ca ♿ 2

Aug 15 – 16, Blues at BLUE Festival *Collingwood, Central Ontario*

An incredible collection of the finest Blues musicians from across Canada and beyond performing on two outdoor stages. Fall in love with the magic of the Village and unique activities all weekend long.

T: (705) 445-0231

W: www.villageatblue.com ♿ 4 ★

Aug 15 – 16, Korny Corn Festival *Markham, Greater Toronto Area*

Visit the farm for some good fun. Bring the kids out to our Fun Farm Yard for some KORN CORN SPECIAL SAVINGS on admission - children can come in for half price on this weekend.

T: (905) 294-3275

W: www.whittamoresfarm.com 1

Aug 15 – 16, Burlington Children's Festival *Burlington, Greater Toronto Area*

The Children's Festival is a free, fun-filled day featuring two stages of outstanding Children's performers as well as over 30 activity stations for the kids to enjoy. See ad on page 32.

T: (905) 335-7704

W: www.burlington.ca 1

Aug 15 – 23, Rogers Cup *Toronto, Greater Toronto Area*

An exciting new look will hit Toronto when the stars of the ATP Tour return for the Rogers Cup. Located at Rexall Centre at York University!

T: 1-877-2TENNIS

W: www.tenniscanada.com 1 ★

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Aug 16, Peter Gzowski Festival of Stories Kewick, Greater Toronto Area

The Peter Gzowski Festival of Stories celebrates the joy of reading and storytelling, featuring authors, illustrators, storytellers, entertainers, clowns, and much more!

T: (905) 476-9900
W: www.festivalofstories.ca 1

Aug 19 – 23, Prince Edward County Jazz Festival Picton, Eastern Ontario

Enjoy exciting jazz events all over the County including evening concerts at the Regent Theatre in Picton, daytime jazz at wineries, jazz dinners, meet the artist events and jam sessions. At the Regent Theatre in Picton and other locations around the County.

T: (613) 476-8416
W: www.pecjazz.org 5

Aug 20 – 23, Iron Horse Festival St. Thomas, Southwestern Ontario



A downtown street festival celebrating our rich community heritage. Free admission with three stages of free entertainment, ribfest, midway, crafts and vendors, kids' junction

and Iron Chef competition.

T: (519) 207-4000
W: www.ironhorsefestival.com 2 ★

Aug 20 – 23, Adrenaline Festival Samia, Southwestern Ontario

The Adrenaline Festival is unlike any other festival. It is a mix of traditional horse racing with events like IAMS Super Dogs, Beach Volleyball, musical entertainment such as Battle of the Bands. See ad on page 75.

T: (905) 858-3060 x 202
W: www.adrenalinefest.ca 2 ★

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Aug 20 – 22, Barrie Dragon Boat Festival Barrie, Central Ontario

The 7th annual Barrie Dragon Boat Festival will take place at Heritage Park on Barrie's Waterfront. Come out and enjoy the camaraderie.

T: (705) 728-1010
W: www.barriedragonboatfestival.ca 4

Aug 20 – 30, SuperEX Ottawa, Ottawa Region

SuperEX is the 11 day annual Ottawa Fair that presents the region's largest midway, stage shows on a number of venues as well as exhibits, free concerts and lots of agricultural animals.

T: (613) 237-7222
W: www.ottawasuperex.com 6

Aug 21 – 22, Coe Hill Agricultural Fair Coe Hill, Central Ontario

Founded in 1882, this is an old-fashioned agricultural fair with "Something for Everyone.... The Show Place of North Hastings". Demolition derby, horse draws, midway, exhibits, and entertainment.

T: (613) 337-5731
W: www.township.wollaston.on.ca 4

Aug 21 – 23, Port Credit's Busker Festival Port Credit, Greater Toronto Area

Three-day event with over 40 professional Buskers, 4 staging areas and lots of "surprise fly pitches", 2 Fire Shows and the Grandest Finale on Sunday. Expect to experience side-splitting comedy, eye-popping acrobatics and mind-bending daredevil stunts!

T: (905) 278-7742
W: www.portcredit.com 1 ★

Aug 21 – 23, Famarama Collingwood, Central Ontario

Celebrating families with street performers, live music, juggling lessons, ventriloquist, pyjama party, outdoor movie Under The Stars, Juno Award performers, family hikes, fireworks and dancing.

T: 1-877-445-0231
W: www.villageatblue.com 4 ★

Aug 21 – 22, Zurich Bean Festival Zurich, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy a festival of home cooked beans, smoked chops, large car show, free entertainment, midway, 130 vendors and evening dance.

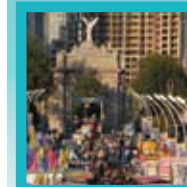
T: (519) 236-2326
W: www.zurichbeanfestival.com 2

Aug 21 – 23, Palmerston's 130th Fall Fair Palmerston, Southwestern Ontario

Too many events to list here! Parade, midway, Palmerston Idol, baby show, pet show, BBQ, dance, tractor rodeo and much more!

T: (519) 338-2511
W: www.town.minto.on.ca 2 ★

Aug 21 – Sep 7, Canadian National Exhibition Toronto, Greater Toronto Area



Celebrating 130 years, the CNE is an 18 day fair taking place every August until Labour Day. Popular attractions include the Canadian Air Show, the Horse Show, the Food Building and the

Midway. See ad on page 76.

T: (416) 393-6300
W: www.theex.com 1 ★

Aug 21 – 30, Capital Pride Festival Ottawa, Ottawa Region

Join thousands of GLBT individuals and allies in the nation's capital as we celebrate the 24th Capital Pride Festival.

T: (613) 252-7174
W: www.capitalpride.ca 6

Aug 22, Village at Blue WAKE UP Collingwood, Central Ontario

Village Wake Up Wakeboard Festival, one of the summer's hottest events! Witness some of Canada's top professional wakeboarders competing in three extreme events. DJ and family activities all day!

T: 1-877-445-0231 x 6280
W: www.villageatblue.com 4 ★

Aug 22, Wolf Howl Bonnechere, Eastern Ontario

Meet at the Davenport Centre located in Bonnechere for a presentation then travel into Algonquin to Basin Depot for the howl. Please call the park to confirm that the event has not been cancelled.

T: (613) 757-2103
W: www.bonnecherepark.on.ca 5

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Aug 22, The 88th Warriors' Day Parade Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Join in celebrating Canada's military victories, pay tribute to our Veterans and support our troops. Experience an incredible spectacle of military contingents and bands.

T: (416) 465-7291

W: www.thewarriorsdayparade.ca ♿ 1

Aug 22, Canadian Garlic Festival Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Annual family food affair that offers garlic goodies as well as crafts, vendors and entertainment including acrobatic Ukrainian dancing.

T: (705) 673-7404

W: www.ukrseniors.org ♿ 7

Aug 22 – 23, Carrot Fest Bradford, Greater Toronto Area

This street festival includes a vendors market, children's village, Pro wrestling, Mayor's Soap Box Derby, Carrot Fast 5km Run, DocDogs Competition, Texas Holdem Poker Tourney, and much more!

T: (905) 775-5359 x 5102 ♿ 1 ★

W: www.town.bradfordwestgwillimbury.on.ca

Aug 22 – 23, Dunnville Agricultural Fair Dunnville, Southwestern Ontario

Agriculture at its best! There will be displays, home-craft entries welcome, baby show, pet show, seeds and grains, school fair, sheep and goats, light/heavy horses, mini horses, kids' games, music, food and fun!

T: (905) 774-8199

W: www.dunnvilleonline.ca/ev.html ♿ 2

Aug 22 – 23, Zhiibaahaasing First Nation Traditional Pow Wow Silver Water, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.

T: (705) 283-3963 7

Aug 23, A Scottish Celebration at Dundurn Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

To celebrate Sir Allan MacNabs Scottish ancestry, join us for a day of 19th century children's games, highland dancing, music and workshops. Held on the grounds of Dundurn Castle families will experience a true Scottish tradition.

T: (905) 546-2872

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ♿ 2 ★

Aug 27 – 30, Tecumseh Corn Festival Tecumseh, Southwestern Ontario



Lots of fun for the entire family all weekend long, including great tasting corn on the cob. Fantastic live music and entertainment, the Miss Tecumseh pageant, parade,

carnival rides and unique art.

T: (519) 735-4756

W: www.tecumseh.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 27 – 30, Mobil 1 Presents The Grand Prix of Mosport Bowmanville, Greater Toronto Area

Canada's biggest sports car race event of the year features the exotic prototype and GT racers of the American Le Mans Series, plus six more classes of racing. Lots to see and do off-track too.

T: 1-800-866-1072

W: www.mosport.com ♿ 1 ★

Aug 27 – 30, Scotiabank Toronto International Buskers Festival Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Prepare to be amazed! For four days and three nights buskers from around the world come together in the Historic St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood.

T: (416) 964-9095

W: www.torontobuskerfest.com ♿ 1 ★

Aug 27 – 30, Waterloo Busker Carnival Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

The Waterloo Busker Carnival continues to provide audiences with zany, hilarious, extraordinary, bizarre entertainment from around the world!

T: (519) 747-8769

W: www.waterloo-buskers.com ♿ 2

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Aug 27 – 30, Sudbury Summerfest Sudbury, Northern Ontario

A four-day family friendly music festival with variety performers, water ski show, and craft vendors.

T: (705) 523-2003

W: www.sudburysummerfest.org ♿ 7

Aug 28 – 30, Winona Peach Festival Winona, Southwestern Ontario



This is a family event with something for all ages. We have arts and crafts, commercial exhibits, car show, free entertainment and more food than you can imagine!

T: (905) 643-2084

W: www.winonapeach.com ♿ 2 ★

Aug 28 – 30, 151st Markdale Fall Fair Markdale, Southwestern Ontario

151st traditional fall fair features homecraft competition, heavy horse pull, gymkhana, 4H shows, baby contest, pet show, children's activities, goat show and fun for the whole family.

T: (519) 986-1904

W: www.ontariofairs.com ♿ 2

Aug 28 – 31, SD & G Dog Show Long Sault, Eastern Ontario

Largest outdoor dog show in Canada will take place in August, 2009 on the Long Sault Parkway. Over 100 dog breeds will be in attendance to compete over the weekend in this annual event. See ad on page 24.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.stlawrenceparks.com 5

Aug 28 – Sep 6, Owen Sound Salmon Spectacular Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario

Come enjoy the fun filled Salmon Festival and catch a glimpse of those huge Chinook Salmon. Food, refreshment, hospitality centre, country western evening, fishermen evening, and more. Check out website for details.

T: (519) 376-7177

W: www.sydenhamsportsmen.com 2

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Aug 29, **Straffordville Watermelon Fest** *Straffordville, Southwestern Ontario*

Pancake breakfast at firehall, parade at 10am, kid's activities, seed-spitting contest, vendors, displays, silent auction, food, entertainment, music and fun for all ages.

T: (519) 866-5295

W: www.bayham.on.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 29, **Mass Pipes and Drums Gathering Festival**

Kincardine, Southwestern Ontario

Noon to midnight, entertainment all day in the Park. All you can eat hot dog and corn roast for nominal fee. Free admission to park. Mass Band parade begins at 8pm.

T: (519) 396-2731

W: www.sunsets.com/kincardine ♿ 2

Aug 29 – 30, **Art by the River**

Amherstburg, Southwestern Ontario

The Fort Malden Guild of Arts and Fort Malden National Historic Site will host over 150 arts and crafts exhibitors on the fort grounds overlooking the Detroit River. Join us for entertainment and refreshments.

T: (519) 736-5416

W: www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/on/malden ♿ 2

Aug 29 – 30, **Blue Grass Jam**

Port Rowan, Southwestern Ontario

Join us for a good old-fashioned jamboree. Enjoy a variety of blue grass and gospel music as it played throughout the weekend at the large pavilion.

T: (519) 586-2201

W: www.norfolktourism.ca ♿ 2 ★

Aug 29 – 30, **Reflections on the War of 1812**

Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Join us as we celebrate the War of 1812 with re-enactors displaying the way military life would have been in Canada in 1812.

T: (613) 542-7388

W: www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★

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for every sense. Treat your taste buds at the **Shores of Erie International Wine Festival**, **Etobicoke's Taste of the Kingsway** and **Burlington's Rotary Ribfest**. Savour fall's bounty at the **Ruthven Apple Festival**

or at **Carp's MelonFest & Pepper Pow Wow**, chock full of scrumptious food and fun. Enjoy a day filled with music at **Tim Horton's Southside Shuffle Blues & Jazz Festival** in **Mississauga**. Fall fairs abound and are always a family pleaser! Choose from **London's Western Fair**, or the fall fairs in **Paris**, **Mitchell** and **Lincoln**.

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Sep 1 – Nov 30, Celebration of Trails East Central Ontario

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T: (705) 328-0261 x 30
W: www.celebrationoftrails.ca 4 ★

Sep 2 – 7, 150th Annual Paris Fair Paris, Southwestern Ontario

Join the fun at the 150th Annual Paris Fair. Fun for the whole family from animal shows, midway, games, musical performances, demo derby, agriculture displays, crafts, exhibits and so much more!
T: (519) 442-2823
W: www.parisfair.com 2

Sep 3 – 7, Central Durham Agricultural Fair (Orono Fair) Orono, Central Ontario

Enjoy one of Canada's oldest agricultural fairs. Locally known as the Orono Fair. Fun for the entire family.
T: (905) 623-3379
W: www.aronofair.com 4

Sep 4 – 6, Ribfest Aurora, Greater Toronto Area

Enjoy ribs from professional BBQ Teams from across North America! Bring your friends and make it an afternoon or evening with a full beer garden and live entertainment.
T: (905) 726-4762
W: www.e-aurora.ca 1 ★

Sep 4 – 6, Mitchell Fall Fair Mitchell, Southwestern Ontario

Mitchell Fair on Labour Day weekend has exciting activities with horse shows, a parade, livestock competitions, craft and produce displays, a midway and much more.
T: (519) 229-6210
W: www.westperth.com 2

Sep 4 – 6, Windsor Karting Grand Prix Windsor, Southwestern Ontario

Go kart racing in conjunction with the Detroit Grand Prix. Karters from all over Canada and the U.S.
T: (519) 566-0783
W: www.spkc.ca 2

Sep 4 – 7, Orangeville Fall Fair Orangeville, Greater Toronto Area

A family-oriented experience! Livestock and homecraft competitions, midway, demo derby, truck, tractor and horse pulls, midway, family entertainment, vendors, and more.
T: (519) 942-9597
W: www.orangevillefairgrounds.ca 1

Sep 4 – 7, Burlington Rotary Ribfest: Canada's Largest Ribfest Burlington, Greater Toronto Area



The Rotary Club of Burlington Lakeshore is proud to present the 14th annual "Canada's Largest Ribfest". Come enjoy great music, fun for the kids and of course, some of the best tasting

ribs in Canada. See ad on page 37.

T: (905) 332-3513
W: www.canadalargestribfest.com 1 ★

Sep 4 – 7, 85th Labour Day Homecoming Celebration North Buxton, Southwestern Ontario

This Underground Railroad settlement welcomes everyone to celebrate their heritage through history/genealogy conference; dance; children's activities; car, craft show, food, exhibits, parade.
T: (519) 352-4799
W: www.buxtonmuseum.com 2

Sep 5, Kirkfield Festival Kirkfield, Central Ontario

Uxbridge Legion Pipes & Drums, Shriners', floats and about 200 classic cars, trucks, rods and clowns parade down the main street. Enjoy the many craft and street sales. Lots of food and activities.
T: (705) 438-3176 4

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Sep 5, The Canadian 5 Km Run Ottawa, Ottawa Region

Ontario's premiere triathlon festival in the Nation's Capital. Join thousands of others in an iron distance, half iron, sprint, or try-a-tri for the first time. Something for everyone!
T: (613) 859-3608
W: www.somersault.ca 6

Sep 5, FamilyFest Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Downsview Park will once again host the biggest and best outdoor family musical festival of the summer. Enjoy popular children's performers and celebrate the end of summer with a blast of fun!
T: (416) 952-2222
W: www.downsviewpark.ca 1 ★

Sep 5 – 6, M'Chigeeng First Nation Traditional Pow Wow M'chigeeng, Northern Ontario

Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful craftwork, regalia and singing. Guests are invited to join in on an intertribal dance. An emcee will describe the various dance styles and etiquette.
T: (705) 377-5362 7

Sep 5 – 6, St. Thomas Fire Muster Days St. Thomas, Southwestern Ontario

Free, public event. Firefighter competitions (muster), parade, huge car show, midway, live stage entertainment, emergency service displays and demonstrations, antique fire trucks, food vendors.
T: (519) 631-0210 2

Sep 5 – 7, Marmora Agricultural Fair Marmora, Eastern Ontario

Enjoy a light horse and pony show, classic car show, fiddle and step dancing, pet show, grandstand show and lots of displays and demonstrations!
T: (613) 472-5403
W: www.mas-online.org 5

Sep 5 – 7, Family Music & Arts Festival Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

Join in the fun at the Village's Family Activity Centre for three fun-filled afternoons of musicians, storytellers and puppetry.
T: 1-800-437-2233
W: www.uppercanadavillage.com 5

Sep 5 – 19, Honey Harvest Festival Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario

Celebrate the sweet Honey Harvest! Honey harvesting, dip your own beeswax candle, beehive opening demonstrations. Live music, wagon rides, and face painting. Bee Beard demonstration at 2:30 pm.
T: (519) 773-5503
W: www.clovermead.com 2

Sep 6, Corn Boil Cumberland, Ottawa Region

Learn about a traditional farming activity - thrashing! Enjoy our peaceful country setting while exploring our village and all the fun of harvest time. Discover the many ways to use corn. Enjoy a feast of freshly boiled corn.
T: (613) 833-3059
W: www.ottawa.ca/museums 6 ★

Sep 7, MelonFest & Pepper Pow Wow! Carp, Ottawa Region

Family fun educational celebration of 120 varieties of melons and 120 varieties of peppers (including world's hottest), lots of tasting, celebrity chef demos, tours, local artisans and foods, farm market.
T: (613) 836-2613
W: www.AcornCreek.com 6

Sep 9 – 13, Guelph Jazz Festival Guelph, Southwestern Ontario

The Guelph Jazz Festival presents innovative jazz and creative improvised music and fosters alternative ways of seeing and hearing the world.
T: (519) 763-4952
W: www.guelphjazzfestival.com 2

Sep 10 – 12, Barrie New Music Fest Barrie, Central Ontario

The Barrie New Music Fest is a three-day live music venue festival featuring over 75 live artists, performing a series of concerts and showcases at Barrie's finest live music venues.
T: (416) 727-7337
W: www.newmusicfest.ca 4

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Sep 10 – 12, Englehart Fall Fair

Englehart, Northern Ontario

Exhibits, displays, demonstrations, sheep and goat show, live entertainment, parade, fun run, baby show, pet show. Celebrating our 100th consecutive fair in 2009.

T: (705) 544-8024
W: www.ontariofairs.org 7

Sep 10 – 13, 151st Russell Fair

Russell, Eastern Ontario

Come Harvest the excitement at the 151st Russell Fair. Demolition derby, Fair Factor, truck and tractor pulls, Deal or no Deal, antique displays and more! Visit website for more details.

T: (613) 445-2155
W: www.russellfair.com 5

Sep 10 – 13, Seaforth Fall Fair

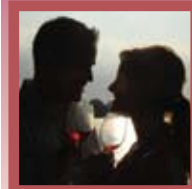
Seaforth, Southwestern Ontario

Exhibits and judging on Thurs. Fri: parade, horse show, cattle show. Sat: demo derby, mini horses and cattle. Midway in operation.

T: (519) 527-1321
W: www.c4thagsociety.on.ca 2

Sep 10 – 13, Shores of Erie International Wine Festival

Amherstburg, Southwestern Ontario



A toast to the tastes! The festival combines the perfect blend of regional and international wines, fine cuisine and top notch entertainment. Set along the magnificent waterfront

grounds of Fort Malden National Historic Site of Canada. See ad on page 85.

T: (519) 730-1001
W: www.soewinefestival.com 2

Sep 10 – 13, Shelburne District Fair

Shelburne, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy a weekend full of fun filled family events. Enjoy pork BBQ, midway, demolition derby, exhibitions and much, much more!

T: (519) 925-6520
W: www.townofshelburne.on.ca 2

Sep 10 – 19, Toronto International Film Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Film lovers unite in Toronto every September to watch the best films from around the globe. Our audiences are often the first to discover the new works of emerging talent and cinema masters.

T: 1-877-968-FILM
W: www.tiff.ca 1

Sep 11 – 12, East Gwillimbury Fall Festival

Mount Albert, Greater Toronto Area

Fri. is a celebration of "Music in Mount Albert". Sat. starts at 10am. Free admission. Live music, heritage games and crafts, entertainment, contests and kids Fall activities.

T: (905) 473-9742
W: www.egfallfestival.com 1

Sep 11 – 13, 25th Annual Vegetarian Food Fair

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The Toronto Vegetarian Association and Harbourfront Centre present the largest event of its kind in North America. Discover new products and ideas from more than 100 exhibitors and enjoy a wide variety of presentations, workshops, cooking demos and more.

T: (416) 544-9800
W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com 1

Sep 11 – 13, Tim Horton's Southside Shuffle Blues & Jazz Festival

Mississauga, Greater Toronto Area



Mississauga's musical Mardi Gras, 11th Annual Tim Horton's Southside Shuffle, featuring three stages and over 120 Canadian and International blues and Jazz artists.

T: (905) 271-9449
W: www.southsideshuffle.com 1

Sep 11 – 13, Uxbridge Fall Fair

Uxbridge, Greater Toronto Area

Livestock shows, home-crafts, tractor pull and youth shows (Fri), 4H tractor pull, demo derby (Sat), team penning and horse shows (Sun). Midway, entertainment and much more. Check website for details.

T: (905) 852-7147
W: www.uxbridgefair.ca 1

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Sep 11 – 13, Lincoln County Fair

Beamsville, Niagara Falls and Region

Niagara's Finest Agricultural Showcase - Country fair - livestock competitions, amateur exhibits, demonstrations, midway, great family entertainment, food, evening shows, demolition derby.

T: (905) 563-7071
W: www.lincolncountyfair.com 3

Sep 11 – 13, Huron Pioneer Threshers and Hobby Show

Blyth, Southwestern Ontario

Come see team engines, tractors, cars, flea market, crafts, dream weavers, dog show, sheep shearing, horse ploughing, step dancing, fiddle contests, tractor pulls, tour of log cabin and more!

T: (519) 523-9100
W: www.blythsteamshow.on.ca 2

Sep 11 – 13, Kirkton Fall Fair

Kirkton, Southwestern Ontario

Kirkton-Woodham Community Centre. Parade, pet show, baby show, pedal tractor-pull, 4H clubs, children's rides, decorate scarecrow contest. Demolition derby.

T: (519) 229-8151
W: www.ontariofairs.org 2

Sep 11 – 13, Trenton Scottish Irish Festival

Quinte West, Eastern Ontario

Celebrate culture and heritage through entertainment. The event features a parade, heavy events, dancers, entertainers, food, fare and exhibitors.

T: (613) 392-2841
W: www.trentonscottishirish.com 5

Sep 11 – 20, Western Fair

London, Southwestern Ontario



Year after year people visit the Western Fair to take advantage of all the fun, thrills and food that cover the grounds. A great family event!

T: (519) 438-7203
W: www.westernfair.com 2

Sep 12, The Hastings Highlands Hilly Hundred

Bancroft, Central Ontario

The Toughest Century Tour in Ontario weaves its way through The Canadian Shield, ancient granite bedrock, lakes and hardwood forests. Many checkpoints, breakfast, lunch and BBQ are included in your fee.

T: (613) 332-1969
W: www.tripsandtrails.ca 4

Sep 12, Harvest Festival

Brooklin, Greater Toronto Area

Harvest Marketplace sets the scene. Wagon rides, local entertainment, Brooklin Mini Idol Competition and kids' crafts games.

T: (905) 430-4306
W: www.brooklin.whitby.ca 1

Sep 12, Kettleby Fall Fair

Kettleby, Central Ontario

Family-focused fun at the quaint harvest fair in a charming historic village park setting. Entertainment, hand-made arts and crafts, games, pony rides, petting zoo, noon-time parade down the quaint main street.

T: (905) 503-1003
W: www.village.kettleby.on.ca 4

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Sep 12, Bath Fall Fair

Bath, Eastern Ontario

Fall Fair on the grounds of the FG House, Main St. A variety of vendors with antiques, crafts, baking, plants, books, children's activities, BBQ and music.

T: (613) 352-9911

W: www.ontariofairs.org ♿ 5

Sep 12, Milliken Mills Children's Festival

Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Children enjoy a fun filled day with a large variety of games, rides, activities, arts and crafts food vendors, market area and stage entertainment all day.

T: (905) 477-7000

W: www.markham.ca ♿ 1

Sep 12, Binder Twine Festival

Kleinberg, Greater Toronto Area

Unique crafts, great entertainment, Olde Tyme activities including the Queen Contest, and great food await the entire family. See ad on page 19.

T: (905) 893-3083

W: www.bindertwine.ca 1

Sep 12, Riverfest

Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario

Join Riverfest at the Kam River Heritage Park. Reconnect with the river or discover it for the first time! Tug boat and Via Rail train tours, entertainment, concessions and a children's area, too!

T: (807) 625-2487

W: www.ThunderBay.ca/riverfest ♿ 7

Sep 12, McKellar Agricultural Fall Fair

McKellar, Northern Ontario

An old fashioned fair with log sawing, arm wrestling, animals, horse competition, live entertainment, food, vendors, exhibits, games and activities for all ages.

T: (705) 389-2842

W: www.township.mckellar.on.ca ♿ 7

Sep 12 – 13, 9th Annual Traditional Pow Wow

Midland, Central Ontario

We invite you to come and share in a wonderful experience at the Ste. Marie Park on the Wye River. Great native food, beautiful crafts, traditional dancing and drumming.

T: (705) 526-5589

W: www.gbnfc.com ♿ 4

Sep 12 – 13, Warkworth Fall Fair

Warkworth, Central Ontario

Featuring 4H and beef shows, elimination car draw, Truck Show and Shine, classic car show, home-craft exhibits, demolition derby and tractor pull.

T: 1-888-653-1556

W: www.visittrenthills.ca ♿ 4

Sep 12 – 13, Long Sault Regatta

Long Sault, Eastern Ontario

HOTTEST SHOW ON H2O is racing into Ontario! Named "Race of the Year" by Canadian Power Boating Federation. More than 110 hydroplanes compete at Mille Roches Beach, on the Long Sault Parkway.

T: (613) 543-4328

W: www.stlawrenceparks.com ♿ 5

Sep 12 – 13, Akwesasne International Pow Wow

Cornwall Island, Eastern Ontario

Good drumming, good food, good company. Our invitation is open to the public every year to come and share this wonderful experience on the shores of the St. Lawrence River at the A'nowara'ko:wa Arena.

T: (613) 575-2467

W: www.akwasasene.ca 5

Sep 12 – 13, Taste of the Kingsway Festival

Etobicoke, Greater Toronto Area

This annual fall festival held along Bloor Street West, (from Prince Edward Dr. to Montgomery Rd.) is a food and entertainment extravaganza. Over 250,000 people attended in 2008.

T: (416) 239-8243

W: www.thekingswaytoronto.ca ♿ 1 ★

Sep 12 – 13, 15th Annual GWN Dragon Boat Challenge

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Hailed as the best dragon boat event ever in 2007, the GWN Dragon Boat Challenge attracts 200 teams and 5000 paddlers to the Toronto waterfront for a weekend of racing and fun. Free to spectators.

T: (416) 962-8899

W: www.gwndragonboat.com 1 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Sep 12 – 13, Wild for The Arts Festival

Port Elgin, Southwestern Ontario

Free family fun - writing and art inspired by nature; campground studio tour and sale; unique canvas, children's art and writing activities, campfire. Musical interludes in the woods.

T: (519) 389-6231

W: www.friendsofmacgregor.org ♿ 2

Sep 12 – 13, Monarch Days

Cambridge, Southwestern Ontario

View migration exhibits that explain the incredible journey the Monarch Butterflies make every fall. Learn about how you can help save our Monarchs as well as attract Monarchs to your garden.

T: (519) 653-1234

W: www.wingsofparadise.com ♿ 2

Sep 12 – 20, Cinéfest Sudbury

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Cinéfest Sudbury has developed into a 9-day event, evolving into a major cultural tourism event. It is a favourite destination for serious Cinefiles.

T: (705) 688-1234

W: www.cinefest.com ♿ 7

Sep 12 – 20, Fall Migration Hikes

Leamington, Southwestern Ontario

Witness the phenomena which made Point Pelee a National Park. Join a park interpreter for a two hour tour of the world-famous tip in search of migrating birds, dragonflies and monarchs.

T: (519) 322-2365

W: www.pc.gc.ca/pointpelee ♿ 2

Sep 12 – 27, Applefest

Winona, Southwestern Ontario

Pick your own apples, freshly baked apple desserts, apple cider, fudge, train rides, petting farm.

T: (905) 643-1015

W: www.puddicombefarms.com ♿ 2

Sep 13, 2009 Brockville Annual Fly-In

Brockville, Eastern Ontario

Watch dozens of aircraft of all shapes and sizes. See vintage and exotic planes. Expect a few historic surprises. Free parking and admission.

T: (613) 342-4100

W: www.brockvilleflyingclub.com ♿ 5

Sep 13, Annual Great War Flying Museum's Open House and Fly-in

Caledon, Greater Toronto Area

Watch the pilots of the Great War Flying Museum fly their own replicas of WWI fighters, including a Fokker Tri-Plane as flown by the Red Baron.

T: (905) 838-4936

W: www.greatwarflyingmuseum.com ♿ 1

Sep 13, Round the County Ag Tour

Ridgetown, Southwestern Ontario

Self-guided driving tour through various rural countryside and agri-food operations. An opportunity to visit local agriculture operations and farms that may not be normally be open to the public.

T: (519) 674-1595

W: www.ofa.on.ca/kent 2

Sep 14 – 20, New Liskeard Fall Fair

Haileybury, Northern Ontario

Harvest Queen, agricultural displays, horse, cattle and sheep shows and a midway. A full family event!

T: (705) 672-3363

W: www.temiskamingshores.ca ♿ 7 ★

Sep 15 – 16, Brussels Fall Fair

Brussels, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy our Fall Fair, with opening ceremonies, parade, midway, homecrafts, school and farm exhibits, 4H beef and sheep, and lots more!

T: (519) 887-6687 2

Sep 17 – 19, The Prince Edward County Music Festival

Pictou, Eastern Ontario

Three nights of magnificent classical music with renowned guest musicians in an acoustically outstanding venue.

T: (613) 393-3798

W: www.pecmusicfestival.com ♿ 5

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Sep 17 – 19, Canada DanceSport IDSF World Ranking Ballroom Dance Tournament Kingston, Eastern Ontario



The world takes centre stage in Kingston as the brightest stars of ballroom dance compete in one of North America's largest tournaments! Hosts to the Senior I Standard World Championships!

See ad on page 89.

T: (613) 634-2068

W: www.canadadancesport.com ♿ 5

Sep 17 – 20, 179th Kingston Fall Fair Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Livestock shows, indoor horse shows, 4H Achievements, judged competitions, homecrafts, baking, photography, flowers, fruits and vegetables, grain, entertainment, food, vendors, midway and more.

T: (613) 542-6701

W: www.kingstonfair.com ♿ 5

Sep 17 – 20, Toronto In-Water Boat Show Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The 12th annual Toronto In-Water Boat Show is the Ontario's largest in-water boat show. Visitors can get a first glance at new boat models for 2010, purchase current models at reduced prices!

T: (416) 314-9900

W: www.torontoboatshow.com ♿ 1

Sep 18 – 19, Biketoberfest Fenwick, Niagara Falls and Region

Motorcycle event with Show and Shine, live music, refreshment, vendors, dice run. Friday there will be a Ride of the Flags. Harley Davidson Deluxe Limited Edition is raffled off Sat. at 5pm.

T: (905) 892-6004

W: www.biketoberfest.ca ♿ 3

Sep 18 – 20, Strong Agricultural Fall Fair Sundridge, Central Ontario

Celebrating our 125th Anniversary. Focus on family fun with log sawing, nail driving, bail toss, light horse events, displays of needlework, domestic science, children's art and photography.

T: (705) 384-0711 ♿ 4

Sep 18 – 20, The Port Hope & District Agricultural Society Annual Fall Fair Port Hope, Central Ontario

Enjoy agricultural, domestic and children's exhibits, midway, ATV show, demolition derby, stage shows, 4H, livestock competitions, horse pull, vintage tractor and antique cars.

T: (905) 396-3247

W: www.porthopetourism.ca ♿ 4 ★

Sep 18 – 20, Bracebridge Fall Fair & Horse Show Bracebridge, Central Ontario

Enjoy old fashioned fall fair fun! Check out the horse pulls, antique garden and tractor pulls, culinary and fibre arts, horticultural displays, youth and junior exhibits, entertainment and midway rides.

T: (705) 645-4223

W: www.town.bracebridge.on.ca 4 ★

Sep 18 – 20, Feversham Fair Feversham, Southwestern Ontario

Feversham Fall Fair is an old time Country Fair featuring exhibits, tractor pulls, horse shows, livestock and more. Kids are entertained in the Kids' Zone. Games and activities for all ages.

T: (519) 922-2931

W: www.ontariofairs.com ♿ 2

Sep 18 – 20, Harriston-Minto 150th Fall Fair Harriston, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy a wide variety of events including, midway, beer garden, horse, goat, cattle, dog shows, tractor shows and classic car shows, demolition derby and much much more!

T: (519) 338-2511

W: www.harristonmintofair.ca ♿ 2 ★

Sep 18 – 20, Lucknow Fall Fair Lucknow, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy an ambassador pageant, parade, livestock shows, entertainment, displays and children activities. This year's theme is: "Canadian Maple".

T: (519) 395-4010

W: www.lucknowagsociety.ca 2

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Sep 18 – 20, Milverton Fair Milverton, Southwestern Ontario

"Renew your Energy" at the 146th Milverton Fair. Children's activities and shows, interactive energy exhibits, cattle and western horse shows, tractor, truck and ATV pulls, demolition derby and more.

T: (519) 595-4424

W: www.milvertonfair.ca ♿ 2

Sep 18 – 20, Rendezvous Belle Rivière "A Little Bit of French Next Door" Street Festival Belle River, Southwestern Ontario

Our first event was superb! The festival criteria includes language, atmosphere, music and food! The French in our community love entertainment, socializing and dancing! Bienvenu!

T: (519) 728-4624

W: www.rendezvousbelleriver.com ♿ 2 ★

Sep 18 – 20, Eden Mills Writers' Festival Eden Mills, Southwestern Ontario

By the river, mill, cottage, meadow and stream, over 40 authors read at the Eden Mills Writers' Festival. Workshops on Friday and Saturday. Main festival readings, music, books for sale on Sunday.

T: (519) 826-0876

W: www.edenmillswritersfestival.ca ♿ 2 ★

Sep 18 – 27, Niagara Wine Festival St. Catharines, Niagara Falls and Region

Join the "Wine Country" celebration of Niagara's internationally acclaimed grape and wine industry the last ten days of September. Named one of North America's Top 100 Events by the ABA.

T: (905) 688-0212

W: www.niagarawinefestival.com 3 ★

Sep 19, Nine Mile Portage Heritage Festival Barrie, Central Ontario

Take a journey back in time! Hike the trail and enjoy historic reenactments, demonstrations, activities, and entertainment for all ages at Fort Willow. Free parking and shuttle available.

T: (705) 739-4285

W: www.barrie.ca 4 ★

Sep 19, Royal Medieval Faire Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

Now in its 12th season, the faire is an interactive day consisting of vendors, hands-on displays, food and beverage, games, celtic music, magic, swordplay, celi plus much more!

T: (519) 747-8733

W: www.royalmedievalfaire.org ♿ 2

Sep 19 – 20, Brantford International Jazz Festival Brantford, Southwestern Ontario

Visit Harmony Square - Downtown Brantford and celebrate great jazz music. Internationally recognized main stage artists, local stage artists and the next generation youth stage. Celebrate Jazz Music!

T: (519) 753-1543

W: www.brantfordjazzfestival.com ♿ 2 ★

Sep 19 – 20, Fall Fair at Upper Canada Village Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

Join in the excitement of a traditional 1860s fall fair. See heritage livestock, an old-fashioned exhibit hall and shows, join in games and enjoy snacks at 25 cents each.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.uppercanadavillage.com ♿ 5

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Sep 19 – 20, Bushplane Days

Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Ontario


Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Flight in Canada with Bushplane Days! Bigger than ever, it will feature amazing air shows, chartered flights, special guests, Science North kids' exhibits and more!

T: (705) 945-6242

W: www.bushplane.com ♿ 7 ★

Sep 19 – 20, St. George Apple Fest & Craft Show

St. George, Southwestern Ontario

Winners of Shining Star award and Top 100 festivals. We offer apples, pies, dumplings, entertainment, crafts, children's activities, food and fun. Coaches welcome by pre-arranging.

T: (519) 448-1344

W: www.stgeorgeapplefest.com ♿ 2

Sep 22 – 26, International Plowing Match

Earlton, Northern Ontario

See antique displays, competitive plowing, live entertainment, modern farm machinery demos, over 500 exhibitors in Tented City. Visit website for a full listing of IPM events. See ad on page 91.

T: (519) 767-2928

W: www.ipm2009.net ♿ 7 ★

Sep 23 – Oct 4, Algoma Fall Festival: Rendezvous

Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Ontario

Two week long event beginning with school tours and ending with a three-day event celebrating the life of the voyageurs during the fur trade in Northern Ontario.

T: (705) 759-5443

W: www.cityssm.on.ca ♿ 7

Sep 24 – 27, Brighton Applefest

Brighton, Eastern Ontario

Celebrating 35th Anniversary. Festival activities include street fair with over 100 vendors, juried art show and sale, car show, live band entertainment, parade, dance, children's show and more!

T: (613) 475-5104

W: www.applefest.reach.net ♿ 5

Sep 25 – 27, All-Canadian Jazz Festival

Port Hope, Central Ontario

Fabulous weekend filled with the sounds of jazz, join in the Saturday jazz parade, food tents, beer garden.

T: (905) 885-1938

W: www.allcanadianjazz.ca ♿ 4 ★

Sep 25 – 27, Drumbo Fair

Drumbo, Southwestern Ontario

Special horse events for 2009! Children's Village activities: wristband for unlimited fun. Petting farm, dog agility show, horse drawn wagon rides, draft horse show. Entertainment included with admission.

T: (519) 463-5228

W: www.drumbofair.com ♿ 2

Sep 25 – 27, Ancaster Fair

Ancaster, Southwestern Ontario

Our first year in our brand new facility. Come out and be a part of a new experience while enjoying traditional family fun and seeing farm animals, demolition derbies, arts and crafts. Come have fun!

T: (905) 648-6198

W: www.ancasterfair.ca ♿ 2

Sep 25 – Oct 12, Headwaters Arts Festival

Alton, Southwestern Ontario

17-day artistic extravaganza that celebrates the very best creative talent this province has to offer. Events located in Caledon, Orangeville, Erin, Hockley and other parts of the Hills of Headwaters.

T: (519) 943-1149

W: www.headwatersartsfestival.com ♿ 2

Sep 25 – Nov 7, Fort Fright - Festival of Fear

Kingston, Eastern Ontario

Our scare attraction comes alive Tuesday - Saturday Evenings after dark... our ghouls come to life after the sun goes down! See ad on page 24.

T: (613) 542-7388

W: www.forthenry.com ♿ 5 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Sep 26, TASTE! A Celebration of Regional Cuisine

Pictou, Eastern Ontario


An annual one-day epicurean experience, TASTE! showcases the finest artisanal products, wines, beers, cider and cuisine that Ontario's Gastronomical Capital, Prince Edward County, has to offer.

T: 1-866-845-6644

W: www.tastecelebration.ca ♿ 5 ★

Sep 26, Doors Open Brant

Brantford, Southwestern Ontario

Investigate 18 unique sites from Brantford, Brant County, Six Nations, New Credit. All locations are new this year. Many not normally open to the public but this day from 10am - 4pm, free admission.

T: 1-800-265-6299

W: www.doorsopenbrant.ca 2

Sep 26, Harvest Festival

Keswick, Greater Toronto Area

Visitors will enjoy a display of antique farm equipment, a bake sale, local produce for sale, children's crafts, historic demonstrations, live music and more.

T: (905) 476-4301

W: www.georginapioneervillage.ca ♿ 1

Sep 26, Rocklyn Agricultural Society Fall Fair

Meaford, Southwestern Ontario

Traditional fall fair includes Men's Pie Baking Contest, Junior Farmers Olympics, 4H calf show, pet show, baby and toddler show, exhibits.

T: (519) 538-1759

W: www.ontariofairs.com ♿ 2

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 1-877-647-6910

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Sep 26, Wellesley Apple Butter & Cheese Festival

Wellesley, Southwestern Ontario

Family festival including pancake breakfast, crafts, farm and cider mill tours, food vendors (apple fritters/dumplings, pigtails, schnitzel), quilt auction, horseshoe tournament, antique cars.

T: (519) 656-2078

W: www.wellesleyabcfestival.ca ♿ 2 ★

Sep 26, Apple Festival

Stoney Creek, Southwestern Ontario

Join us for fall-time harvest fun in Battlefield Park. Pancake breakfast, games, wagon rides, pumpkin decorating, demonstrations, entertainment, tours of the Museum and Monument.

T: (905) 662-8458

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ♿ 2 ★

Sep 26 – 27, 25th Annual Applefest

Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Markham Museum's 25th annual salute to the wonderful apple! The Museum operates its own apple cider mill and offers samples to visitors. Join us for rides, music, food, and family fun!

T: (905) 294-4576

W: www.markhammuseum.ca ♿ 1 ★

Sep 26 – 27, Savour Stratford Perth County Culinary Festival

Stratford, Southwestern Ontario

Sip, sample and savour the best of Stratford's culinary and arts culture celebrating Stratford's chefs, Perth County farmers and food artisans. BBQs, demos and tastings, food work shops, outdoor concerts.

T: (519) 271-5140

W: www.savoursstratford.com 2 ★

Sep 26 – 27, Ruthven Apple Festival

Ruthven, Southwestern Ontario

Family fun in a country atmosphere at Colasanti's in Ruthven, Ontario. Over 100 craft and food vendors, car show, children's rides and games, non-stop musical entertainment, parade. Celebrating 30 years.

T: (519) 776-6483

W: www.communitylivingessex.org ♿ 2 ★

Sep 26 – Oct 4, Muskoka Autumn Studio Tour

District of Muskoka, Central Ontario

Canada's original artist studio tour, now in its 31st year invites you into the studios of the premier artists of Muskoka region at a beautiful time of the year. Sep 26-27 and Oct 3-4.

T: (705) 789-2843

W: www.muskokastudiotour.com 4

Sep 26 – Oct 25, Harvest Fall Festival

Milton, Greater Toronto Area

Come to Springridge and enjoy a day of Fall Fun. Wagon rides and corn trails, professional puppet show, visiting the animals, jumping on the straw bales, BBQ, luncheon/bake counter, home décor and more.

T: (905) 878-4908

W: www.springridgefarm.com 1

Sep 26 – Oct 31, Thunder Bay Pumpkinfest

Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario

Tons of Pumpkins, 'BOO' Barn, Pumpkin Catapult, Seven Mazes, Pumpkin Train, Pumpkin Slingshots, Pumpkin Pie. Family Fun!

T: (807) 475-5615

W: www.gammondalefarm.com ♿ 7

Sep 27, Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Fast, Flat and Festive, marathon, half-marathon and 5k run along Toronto's scenic waterfront. Raised over 1.4 million for over 60 charities in 2008. Run, Pledge, Cheer!

T: (416) 944-2765

W: www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com 1 ★

Sep 27, The Word On The Street Toronto

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Celebrate reading, writing and literacy at Canada's largest book and magazine festival. Featuring 250+ book and magazine exhibitors and 200+ authors on 18 stages. Come see what all the type is about!

T: (416) 504-7241

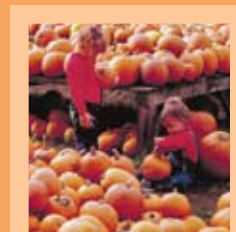
W: www.thewordonthestreet.ca ♿ 1 ★

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Fabulous Fall

Celebrate with old friends and new at **Kitchener-Waterloo's Oktoberfest**, the largest event of its kind outside



of Germany. Experience the incredible monster **Pumpkinfest in Port Elgin** and the **Keene Pumpkin Festival** with pumpkin weigh-in and tons of family fun. Rural Ontario is spectacular at the **Norfolk County**

Fair and Horse Show. Savour fall flavour at the **Niagara Food Festival in Welland**. Enjoy splendid autumn colour while **touring the studios** of artists and artisans in **Haliburton, Dundas, Barry's Bay, Caledon and Brampton**. Visit **Rockton World's Fair** for some old-fashioned country fun and one of the largest

combined heavy horse shows in Canada. Have a spook'tacular good time at **Brantford's Ghost Encounters** or take a candlelit guided walking tour through haunted **Fort George at Niagara-on-the-Lake**.



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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO

Oct 1, Fall Celebrations

Visit www.ontariotravel.net for information on fall and winter celebrations in communities throughout Ontario in the Fall & Winter Celebrations Supplement.

Oct 1 – 3, Bobcaygeon Fall Fair

Bobcaygeon, Central Ontario

Homecrafts and produce, pioneer tent, livestock, horse show, demolition derby, tractor pull, live entertainment in the arena, midway, free shuttle bus service, Saturday night dance.

T: (705) 738-2202

W: www.bobcaygeon.org 4

Oct 1 – 4, Markham Fair

Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Canada's largest 4 day fall fair with many entertaining and educational events for all ages. It is always held on the weekend before Thanksgiving.

T: (905) 642-3247

W: www.markhamfair.ca 1 ★

Oct 1 – 4, 137th Annual Caledonia Fair

Caledonia, Southwestern Ontario

Nostalgic for the country fair of your memories? Experience the sounds, sights and delights of the Caledonia Fair. Livestock, homecraft, food midway, and continuous entertainment.

T: (905) 765-6861

W: www.caledoniafair.com 2

Oct 2 – 4, Niagara Food Festival

Welland, Niagara Falls and Region

Celebrate the Peninsula's Tastiest Party on Merritt Island in Welland. With over 40 wineries, and food vendors showcasing their finest delights. See ad on page 94.

T: (905) 735-1700

W: www.niagarafoodfestival.com 3 ★

Oct 2 – 4, Autumn Leaves Studio Tour

Mount Forest, Southwestern Ontario

Tour 23 studios and over 56 artists and artisans while travelling the picturesque countryside of Wellington and Grey Counties.

T: 1-888-445-4312

W: www.autumnleavesstudiotour.ca 2

Oct 2, Scarecrow Invasion & Family Festival

Meaford, Southwestern Ontario

Thousands of scarecrows inhabit Meaford from mid-Sept to mid-Oct culminating with the Parade and Family Festival on October 2nd to kick off the Big Fall Weekend.

T: (519) 538-1640

W: www.visitmeaford.ca 2

Oct 2 – 4, Howick Turnberry Fall Fair

Gorrie, Southwestern Ontario

Bring the family out to the fall fair! There will be home craft exhibits, horse shows, agricultural displays, entertainment and a midway.

T: (519) 335-3269

W: www.howickagsociety.org 2

Oct 3, Heritage Day

Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Region

Craft vendors, home baked pies and cinnamon rolls, horse and buggy rides, free jump 'n bounce play area, tea room, live entertainment, Niagara Antique Power display, car show. Something for everyone!

T: (905) 871-6980

W: www.heritageday.ca 3 ★



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Oct 3, International Flavours

Georgetown, Greater Toronto Area

A Taste of Downtown Georgetown features the restaurants and food venues in Downtown and you are invited! Sample Indian, Irish, Italian, Thai, Chinese, gourmet, confectioneries and more!

T: (905) 873-4970

W: www.downtowngeorgetown.com 1

Oct 3 – 4, Nuit Blanche

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

For one sleepless night discover art in galleries, museums and unexpected places. Four exhibitions from five Canadian curators will transform Toronto's streets for the edition of Scotiabank Nuit Blanche.

T: (416) 410-9242

W: www.sciotiabanknuitblanche.ca 1

Oct 3 – 4, Port Elgin Pumpkinfest

Port Elgin, Southwestern Ontario



1000+ lb pumpkins, 1000s of antique and classic cars, Tons of Family Fun Second to None! Come experience Port Elgin Pumpkinfest! See ad on page 95.

T: 1-800-387-3456

W: www.pumpkinfest.org 2 ★

Oct 3 – 4, Festival of the Senses

Calabogie, Eastern Ontario

Participants indulge their senses at 25 venues and establishments in and around villages of Calabogie and Burnstown. Sense of Colour has 21 artists. Discovery Sense has 16 geocaches.

T: (613) 752-2500

W: www.calabogie.org 5

Oct 3 – 4, Stable Tour 2009

Headwaters Region, Southwestern Ontario

Head to the Hills of Headwaters for the 2009 Stable Tour. Get behind-the-scenes look at some of Ontario's finest equine stables. Follow the map for this weekend for weekend of FREE family fun!

T: 1-800-332-9744

W: www.horsesinthehills.ca 2



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www.caledonhillsstudioadventure.com

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Oct 3 – 11, Haliburton County Studio Tour Haliburton, Central Ontario

Come visit the studios of Haliburton County's artists and crafts people while enjoying the autumn colours of the Highlands.

T: (705) 286-1556

W: www.haliburtonstudiotour.on.ca 4

Oct 3 – 4, Dundas Studio Tour Dundas, Southwestern Ontario

Designed to explore the artist's intimate relationship with food and art, the Dundas Studio Tour will take you into the studio and beyond. Purchase works of art directly from our family of 28 artists.

T: (905) 379-7353

W: www.dundasstudiotour.ca 2

Oct 3 – 4, Madawaska Valley Studio Tour Barry's Bay, Eastern Ontario

Enjoy breathtaking scenery and splendid autumn colour, while touring the studios of the artists and artisans of the rugged and picturesque Madawaska Valley.

T: (613) 625-2921

W: www.madawaskastudiotour.com 5

Oct 3 – 4, Caledon Hills Studio Adventure Caledon, Greater Toronto Area



Enjoy a visit to our local studios in the picturesque Caledon Hills and countryside to see one-of-a-kind works of art. See ad on page 95.

T: (905) 880-2029

W: www.caledonhillsstudioadventure.com 1

Oct 3 – 4, Studios of Brampton Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Tour various professional artists studios throughout Brampton and see how they work. See ad on page 96.

T: (905) 874-2919

W: www.studiosofbrampton.com 1

Oct 3 – 31, Amish Tours

Millbank and Area, Southwestern Ontario

Step back in time and visit the Amish people of Perth County who are opening their doors to the general public on Saturdays in October.

T: (519) 595-7570

W: www.visitperth.ca 2

Oct 4, Applefest

Keene, Central Ontario

Lang's yearly tribute to the apple. Enjoy freshly baked apple treats, mulled apple cider, cider pressing, threshing demonstrations, free horse drawn wagon rides and live entertainment.

T: (705) 295-6694

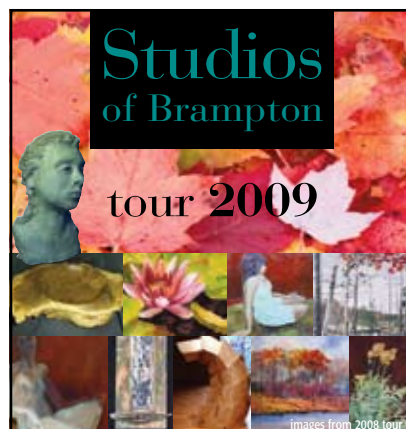
W: www.langpioneerillage.ca 4

Oct 4, Downsview Park's Fall Fair Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Free fun in the outdoors with seasonal activities for the whole family to enjoy.

T: (416) 952-2222

W: www.downsviewpark.ca 1 ★



Join us the first weekend in October for a free, self-guided tour to meet our Brampton Artists, view their studios and watch as they create their masterpieces. This is also a great opportunity to purchase some one-of-a-kind artwork and support the arts.

Sat, Oct 3rd & Sun, Oct 4th, 2009

from 10am to 5pm daily

Call (905) 874-2919 to order your FREE

Studios of Brampton guide, or visit

www.StudiosofBrampton.com

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Oct 4, Waterfowl Day

Ingleside, Eastern Ontario

A great family day! Experts on migratory birds, children's activities, canteen, silent auction and many other educational and fun activities for the whole family.

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.stlawrenceparks.com 5

Oct 6 – 12, Norfolk County Fair & Horse Show Simcoe, Southwestern Ontario

Something for everyone. Meet farm animals, view competitions, enjoy the arts and entertainment. Savour tasty food and the thrills of the midway. See the largest horse show in Canada. Fun for all!

T: (519) 426-7280

W: www.norfolkcountyfair.com 2 ★

Oct 9 – 12, Rockton World's Fair

Rockton, Southwestern Ontario



Enjoy old fashioned country fun, one of the largest combined heavy horse show in Canada. North American Six Horse Hitch Classic Series, beef dairy cattle, demo derby, family

entertainment and midway.

T: 1-866-985-2002

W: www.rocktonworldsfair.com 2 ★

Oct 9 – 12, Ball's Falls Thanksgiving Festival Niagara, Niagara Falls and Region

2009 marks the 35th annual award-winning festival featuring over 130 juried artisans. Fun for the whole family with daily entertainment, heritage demonstrations, children's activities and much more.

T: (905) 788-3135

W: www.npca.ca 3 ★

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 (519) 570-HANS

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Oct 9 – 12, Images Thanksgiving Studio Tour Barrie, Central Ontario

This free, self-guided tour takes you to the studios of some of Canada's most outstanding artists and crafts people. Explore fascinating studio settings and enjoy one-of-a-kind shopping!

T: (705) 835-6213
W: www.images-studio-tour.com 4

Oct 9 – 17, Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario



Canada's Greatest Bavarian Festival offers something for everyone with 17 exciting festhallen and over 30 Family and Cultural Events. Canada's largest Thanksgiving Day

parade is Mon. Oct. 12th. See ad on page 97.
T: 1-888-294-4267

W: www.oktoberfest.ca 2 ★

Oct 9 – 18, Traditional Thanksgiving Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Woodside was awarded with the 2008 Family & Cultural Events Award from Oktoberfest. So there's no better time than the fall of 2009 to enjoy the beauty and history of Woodside! Don't forget your camera!

T: (519) 571-5684 x 25
W: www.pc.gc.ca 2

Oct 10 – 11, Thanksgiving Harvest Festival Midland, Central Ontario

Celebrate the Fall season with fun children's activities, pumpkin decorating, and over 40 outstanding artisans and crafters. See ad on page 33.

T: (705) 526-7838 4 ★
W: www.saintmarieamongthehurons.on.ca

Oct 10, Fights at the Aud Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Experience the action and drama of Fights at the Aud, a premiere martial arts competition held at an Oktoberfest festhalle, featuring Ontario's best Muay Thai fighters.

T: 1-888-294-4267
W: www.oktoberfest.ca 2 ★

Oct 10 – 12, Blue Mountains Apple Harvest Festival Collingwood, Central Ontario

Celebrate the bounties of fall in Apple Country! Guided hikes, horse and carriage rides, Thornbury Fish Ladder, live bands, gondola rides, fall colour driving route, Taste of the Harvest, apple pie!

T: (705) 445-0231
W: www.VillageAtBlue.com 4 ★

Oct 10 – 12, Woodbridge Fall Fair Woodbridge, Greater Toronto Area

Join us as we celebrate the 162nd Woodbridge Fall Fair! Rides, games, music, food, crafts and animals are all part of the fun. Thanksgiving weekend. Kipling Avenue just north of Hwy. 7.

T: (905) 265-1782
W: www.woodbridgefair.com 1

Oct 10 – 13, Brigden Fall Fair Brigden, Southwestern Ontario

Lambton County's largest fair highlighting livestock shows, Exhibit buildings displays, commercial vendors, live local entertainment, baby show, parade, exciting attractions and so much more.

T: (519) 864-1197
W: www.brigdenfair.ca 2 ★

Oct 11, Ottawa Fall Colours Marathon, Half Marathon, 5 & 10 Km Run Ottawa, Ottawa Region

A Boston Qualifier! The weekend celebrates running and duathlon. Something for everyone with a variety of run distances in a beautiful country setting in the "Big City".

T: (613) 859-3608
W: www.somersault.ca 6

Oct 11, Rocktoberfest Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Rock and Polka come together at the Molson Canadian Rocktoberfest Haus Party. Check our website to find out which Canadian band will perform in 2009!

T: 1-888-294-HANS
W: www.oktoberfest.ca 2 ★

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Oct 12, Unionville Little Oktoberfest Unionville, Greater Toronto Area

Music and entertainment all weekend long. Enjoy the holiday filled with great food, a fun atmosphere and festivities with an old Bavarian flare.

T: (905) 477-0771
W: www.unionvilleinfo.com 1

Oct 12, Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest Thanksgiving Day Parade Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Canada's largest Thanksgiving Day Parade starts at 8:30 am in Waterloo and makes its way down King St. to Kitchener. Reserve bleacher seating available at Hans Haus. Nationally televised on CTV.

T: 1-888-294-4267
W: www.oktoberfest.ca 2 ★

Oct 12, Harvest Festival Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Celebrate the harvest on Thanksgiving Monday. Live entertainment, train and wagon rides, children's fun tent with face painting and bouncy train, also a pumpkin patch.

T: (905) 643-1015
W: www.puddicombebarns.com 2

Oct 14 – 18, imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Our 10th Anniversary brings together the best in Aboriginal Film, Video, Radio and New Media from around the world.

T: (416) 585-2333
W: www.imagineNATIVE.org 1

Oct 15 – Nov 1, Savour Vaughan Vaughan, Greater Toronto Area

Join us once again for Savour Vaughan - A Celebration of Fine Flavours! This event is dedicated to shining the spotlight on Vaughan's cultural diversity through fine dining at a fixed price.

T: (416) 745-6730
W: www.savourvaughan.com 1

Oct 16 – 18, Migration Festival Kingsville, Southwestern Ontario

40th Anniversary of this weekend honouring Jack Miner, heritage and waterfowl migration in Kingsville. Events include: outdoor show, parade, kids' activities, falcon show, wine tasting and more!

T: (519) 733-2123
W: www.town.kingsville.on.ca 2 ★

Oct 16 – 18, 7th Annual Hike Haliburton Festival Haliburton Highlands, Central Ontario

This Festival has over 25 themed guided hikes, horseback rides, mountain biking adventures and dog friendly walks that participants one enjoy over this three-day festival. Even an exciting photo contest!

T: (705) 489-4049
W: www.trailsandtours.com 4 ★

Oct 16 – 18, 19th Annual Orillia Jazz & Blues Festival Orillia, Central Ontario

Various Jazz and Blues entertainment at a variety of venues throughout Orillia.

T: (705) 329-0001
W: www.orilliajazzfest.ca 4

Oct 16 – 24, Ghost Encounters Brantford, Southwestern Ontario

"Ghost Encounters" is Haunted Hayrides and a Haunted Barn, held at Brantwood Farms to raise funds for adults with physical disabilities at Participation House Brantford.

T: (519) 756-1430 x 273 2 ★
W: www.participationhousebrantford.org

Oct 16 – 25, Barrie Film Festival Barrie, Central Ontario

12th annual film festival showcasing the finest Canadian Independent and World cinema, also includes special guest questions and answers, galas, shorts competition and Director's brunch.

T: (705) 481-1004
W: www.barriefilmfestival.ca 4

Oct 16 – Nov 1, Hallowe'en Ghost Tours at Fort George Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

Candlelit guided walking tour through haunted Fort George. Real stories, real ghosts, not a haunted hay ride. Visit website or call. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

T: (905) 468-6621
W: www.niagaraghhosts.com 3

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Oct 17 – 18, 7th Annual Studio Tour & Art Sale

Richmond Hill, Greater Toronto Area

Richmond Hill artisans and their guests will open doors to their homes and studios to display and demonstrate their recent work. The tour will showcase some of the most impressive art in Canada.

T: (905) 787-1441 x 222

W: www.richmondhill.ca/studiotour ♿ 1 ★

Oct 17 – 18, Arab Pride - Heritage Day

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The Canadian Arab Federation in partnership with Harbourfront Centre presents the diverse dance, music, food, film, poetry and literature for the Arab States region.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com ♿ 1 ★

Oct 17 – 18, 9th Annual Stouffville Studio Tour

Stouffville, Greater Toronto Area

A diverse artwork selection of acrylic, encaustic, oil, sumi-e, watercolour paintings, graphite drawings, jewellery, pastels, pottery, wood block printing and more. Enter for a chance to win \$200.

T: (905) 642-1721

W: www.stouffvillestudiotour.com 1

Oct 21 – 31, International Festival of Authors

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The International Festival of Authors (IFOA) includes readings, interviews, lectures and round table discussions by the best writers of contemporary world literature.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.readings.org ♿ 1

Oct 22 – 26, Toronto International Art Fair

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Art Toronto 2009, the 10th annual Toronto International Art Fair, Canada's modern and contemporary art fair featuring over 100 galleries from over 14 countries at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

T: 1-800-663-4173

W: www.tiafair.com ♿ 1

Oct 23 – 24, Legends of the Night

Leamington, Southwestern Ontario

As Halloween approaches we hear many spooky legends about creatures of the night. Join a park interpreter around the campfire. Free entry. Contact the park for more details.

T: (519) 322-2365

W: www.pc.gc.ca/pointpelee 2

Oct 23 – 25, Annual Vintage Film Festival

Cobourg, Central Ontario

A festival of Classic Movies from silents with piano accompaniment, to favourites of the forties. Over the weekend, a total of up to 13 movies are shown, which cover the full range of genres.

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.vintagefilmfestival.ca 4

Oct 23 – 31, Thunder Bay Haunted Corn Field

Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario

Dare to be Scared! 'High Startle! NO GORE!' The nightmare lasts about one hour! How fast can you run?

T: 1-888-705-3646

W: www.gammondalefarm.com ♿ 7

Oct 23 – 31, Halloween Week at Dynamic Earth

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Tour the 'Tunnel of Terror' if you dare. Show up in costume to win spooky prizes at Northern Ontario's Halloween Headquarters!

T: 1-800-461-4898

W: www.dynamicearth.ca 7

Oct 24, Keene Pumpkin Festival

Keene, Central Ontario

Events include: corn maze, giant pumpkin weigh-off, antique car show, farmers market, pumpkin pyramid, petting zoo, pony rides, kids corner, home decorating challenge, all day entertainment, parade.

T: (705) 295-6172

W: www.thekeenepumpkinfestival.com ♿ 4 ★

Oct 24 – 25, Family Fun Days

Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

A fun filled weekend that involves wagon rides, the heritage haunted barn, family entertainment, children's games, hot apple crisp and cider, fresh produce, and interactive displays.

T: (519) 748-4690

W: www.stecklehomestead.ca 2

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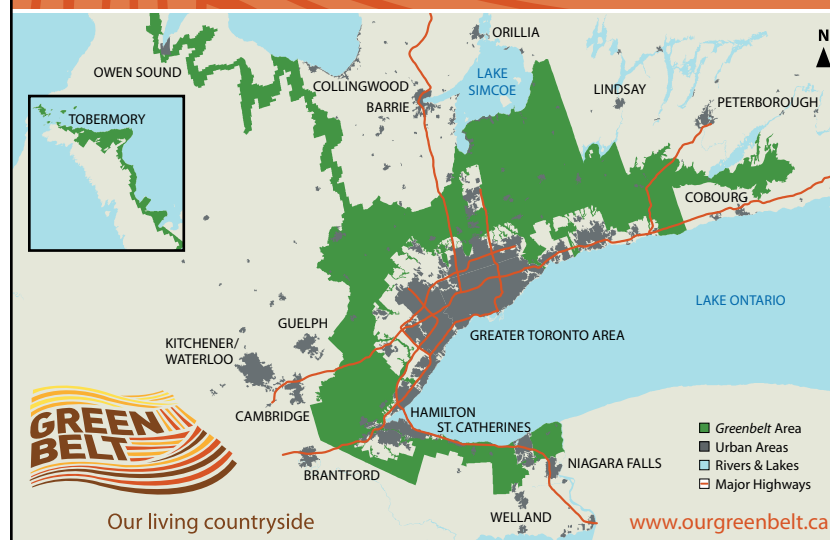
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Holiday Spirit

As the holiday season approaches, many communities throughout Ontario start the celebrations with holiday



parades. Partake in the Yuletide spirit at a **Santa Claus Parade in Toronto, Hamilton, Gravenhurst or Orillia**. Charming **holiday light displays** illuminate the crisp evenings in **Niagara Falls, Owen Sound,**

Sarnia, Amherstburg, Goderich and many other Ontario communities. Taking place amidst the glow of over 2,000 candles is **Sainte-Marie's "First Light"**, an inspiring event alive with music, children's crafts, and Aboriginal drumming. The **Windsor International Film Festival** showcases over 30 independent films

from Canada and abroad. Visit **Toronto's Royal Winter Fair**, the largest indoor combined agricultural, horticultural, canine and equestrian event in the world. For that perfect gift, check out **Toronto's Annual Swedish Christmas Festival** or **In the "Nick" of Time** in **Buckhorn**, both venues offer unique hand-crafted gifts.



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Nov 1, Fall & Winter Celebrations

Visit www.ontariotravel.net for information on fall and winter celebrations in communities throughout Ontario in the Fall & Winter Celebrations Supplement.

Nov 1 – 29, Peterborough Festival of Trees Peterborough, Central Ontario

Come and experience the magic of the holiday season! Enjoy many events such as the Food Festival, fashion show, holiday house tour, celebrity lunch, family night, gingerbread house and many more. See website for details of events.

T: (705) 743-1705

W: www.pfot.org ♿ 4

Nov 5 – 8, Big Nickel Hockey Tournament Sudbury, Northern Ontario

AAA Hockey Tournament taking place at various arenas throughout the City of Greater Sudbury.

T: (705) 522-4305

W: www.bignickelhockey.com ♿ 7

Nov 6 – 8, The Maker's Hand Picton, Eastern Ontario

Browse Eastern Ontario's most exciting show and sale for unique pieces from a collection of work including wood, metal, mixed media, glass, jewellery, clay, fibre and wearable art.

T: (613) 476-4811

W: www.themakershand.com ♿ 5

Nov 6 – 15, Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The place where entertainment meets education. It's the largest indoor combined agricultural, horticultural, canine and equestrian event in the world! It's back for its biggest year ever.

T: (416) 263-3400

W: www.royalfair.org ♿ 1 ★

Nov 6 – 15, Windsor International Film Festival Windsor, Southwestern Ontario



The festival showcases over 30 independent films from Canada and abroad across numerous venues - Casears Windsor, Palace Cinemas, Art Gallery of Windsor, Ecole Seconaire

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T: (519) 255-6530

W: www.windsorfilmfestival.ca ♿ 2 ★

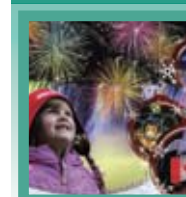
Nov 7, Owl Prowl Exeter, Southwestern Ontario

Come learn about the exciting world of owls at the Morrison Dam Conservation Area. Hear the haunting cry of the Eastern Screech Owl and bring a mug for hot chocolate.

T: (519) 235-2610

W: www.abca.on.ca 2

Nov 11 – Jan 4, Winter Festival of Lights Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region



As Canada's largest lights festival, we offer an illuminating experience to over 1 million people with dazzling lights and animated displays, including the world-famous Enchantment

of Disney displays.

T: 1-800-563-2557

W: www.wfol.com ♿ 3 ★

Nov 11, The 24th Annual Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

The Toronto Zoo invites veterans and the general public to join in remembering to honour the many wartime sacrifices that Canadians have made. Veterans wishing to take part, meet at the Main Entrance.

T: (416) 392-5929

W: www.torontozoo.com ♿ 1

Nov 11 – 13, Huron Pioneer Threshers and Hobby Show

Blyth, Southwestern Ontario

Threshers campgrounds off Hwy #4 and City Rd. #25. Steam engines, antique tractors, vehicles, music. Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide presentation. 1926 Brooks steam car.

T: (519) 523-9100

W: www.blythsteamshow.on.ca ♿ 2

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Nov 12 – 15, Festival of Trees

Bobcaygeon, Central Ontario

Come out and enjoy local entertainers and stroll through the many displays of decorated wreaths and trees. Most of the displays will be raffled off or auctioned!

T: (705) 738-6163

W: www.kawarthasettlersvillage.com ④

Nov 13 – Jan 1, Fireworks Over the Falls

Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region

During the Winter Festival of Lights enjoy spectacular fireworks as they explode high over the mighty falls at 9pm. From the comfort of your hotel room or at various locations near the falls.

T: 1-800-563-2557

W: www.WFOL.com ③ ★

Nov 14, Hamilton Santa Claus Parade

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

A community Santa Claus Parade with bands, floats, vehicles and marching groups. Fun for the entire family!

T: (905) 387-2682

W: www.hamiltonsantaparaade.com ② ★

Nov 15, Toronto Santa Claus Parade

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Ho! Ho! Ho! St. Nick is coming to town! The many colourful floats will gladden your heart and warm your spirit getting everyone ready for Christmas. Dress warm and bring your lawn chairs if you must. The Santa Claus parade is always a spectacle that is not to be missed! Check website for more details.

W: www.thesantaclausparade.org ①

Nov 14 – 21, Niagara Falls Comedy Fest

Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region

If laughter is the cure for all that ails you, then you won't want to miss the Niagara Falls Comedy Fest. Past performers have included Brent Butt, John Pinette, Jeremy Hotz and Nikki Payne.

T: 1-800-563-2557

W: www.niagarafallscomeodyfest.com ③

Nov 14 – Dec 20, Festival of Trees

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Catch the spirit over the Holidays by viewing and bidding on over 60 beautifully decorated wreaths and Christmas Trees while enjoying musical performances by local musicians and activities for the kids.

T: (705) 677-4115

W: www.mysudbury.ca ⑦ ★

Nov 17 – Dec 23, Victorian Christmas 2009

Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario

Experience the enchantment of an authentic Victorian Christmas in the childhood home of local hero, Billy Bishop, as you enjoy a cup of hot cider and some Christmas goodies.

T: (519) 371-0031

W: www.billybishop.org ②

Nov 17 – Dec 30, Christmas at the Castle

Baden, Southwestern Ontario

Tour Castle Kilbride National Historic Site decked out in full Victorian Christmas splendour!

T: (519) 634-8444

W: www.castlekilbride.ca ②

Nov 19 – 22, Waterloo Festival for Animated Cinema

Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

The Waterloo Festival for Animated Cinema is an annual public film festival for full-length animated feature films from around the world. There is no other film festival anywhere like it!

T: (519) 888-6683

W: www.wfac.ca ②

Nov 19 – 29, Tour Thousands of Nativities

Walkerton, Southwestern Ontario

For a great Christmas experience, tour Thousands of Nativities, a combined effort of communities, schools and churches in the Saugeen area.

T: (519) 392-6780 ②

Nov 20 – Jan 1, Celebration Of Lights

Samia, Southwestern Ontario

Annual event includes many displays and thousands of lights - along with a 72' arch over Front St. - light up Centennial Park. Opening ceremonies include fireworks, entertainment, trolley rides, and more.

T: (519) 344-8422

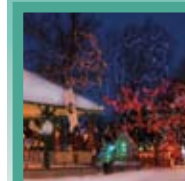
W: www.celebrationoflights.com ② ★

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Nov 20 – Jan 3, Festival of Northern Lights

Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario



Catch the magic of the holiday season by visiting Owen Sound's Festival of Northern Lights. Over 350 displays and 18 km of light strings transform the downtown and Harrison Park

into a wonderland.

T: (519) 376-1440 x 225

W: www.festivallights.ca ② ★

Nov 20 – Jan 4, River Lights Winter Festival

Amherstburg, Southwestern Ontario



Don't miss the amazing "Symphony of Lights" synchronized show along with spectacular illuminated displays! Events galore, hot chocolate, carriage rides and fun for the whole family.

T: (519) 736-4642

W: www.riverlights.ca ② ★

Nov 21, Gravenhurst Santa Claus Parade

Gravenhurst, Central Ontario

A community wide event brings people of all ages out to enjoy the Christmas season.

T: (705) 687-3412

W: www.gravenhurst.ca ④ ★

Nov 21 – 22, Annual Swedish Christmas Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

At this annual festival there will be a large sale of handmade Swedish crafts and Christmas decorations, plus baked goods and delicacies, a Lucia pageant, and Swedish folk-dancing and singing.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com ① ★

Nov 21 – Jan 4, Festival of Lights

Goderich, Southwestern Ontario

Let Goderich warm your heart and set the tone for the festive season with yuletide joy, glittering lights and magical displays. Take in music, art, drama and a variety of events which sparkle in our town.

T: 1-800-280-7637

W: www.goderich.ca ② ★

Nov 21 - Jan 3, The McQuesten Childhood Christmas at Whitehern Historic House & Garden

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy this special time of year as the McQuestens look back on the Christmas of their childhood featuring Victorian toys and decorations contrasted with music and treats from the late 1930s.

T: (905) 546-2018

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ② ★

Nov 21 – Jan 4, Fantasy of Lights

Kingsville, Southwestern Ontario

A spectacular viewing of holiday lights, displays and music throughout the winter season, featuring Opening Ceremonies, Dinner with Santa, Santa Clause Parade, Christmas Ball and New year's Eve Night!

T: (519) 733-2123

W: www.fantasyoflights.ca ② ★

Nov 22, Orillia Santa Claus Parade

Orillia, Central Ontario

Join us for one of the largest Christmas parades north of Toronto! This year we celebrate "Christmas Melodies" with over 100 floats, bands and Santa Claus himself! Downtown Orillia.

T: 1-888-326-4424

W: www.orillia.com ④ ★

Nov 26 – 28, First Light 10th Anniversary

Midland, Central Ontario



Come enjoy the 10th Anniversary of Sainte-Marie's "First Light" event amidst the glow of over 2,000 candles. Music, children's crafts, Aboriginal drumming, costumed staff and much more.

See ad page 33.

T: (705) 526-7838 ④ ★

W: www.sainte-marieamongthehurons.on.ca

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Nov 26 – Dec 24, Off Canvas

Ottawa, Ottawa Region

Off Canvas praises art that defies the two dimensional limitations of a canvas. A holiday treat, the exhibition presents sculptures, three dimensional works on canvases and artworks in mixed media.

T: (613) 614-4308

W: www.parkdalegallery.com 6

Nov 27, Olde Fashioned Christmas and Festival of Lights

Keswick, Greater Toronto Area

Take a step back in time to enjoy the sights, smells and sounds of 19th century Christmas. Live music, tree decorating, crafts, bake sale, historic demonstrations and more!

T: (905) 476-4301

W: www.georginapioneervillage.ca 1

Nov 27 – 29, Christmas Festival

Gananoque, Eastern Ontario

Christmas Festival including Festival of Trees, silent auction, raffle, gift shop, Mrs. Klaus Kitchen, children's craft corner, cookie decorating and games, entertainment and much more.

T: (613) 382-6700

W: www.dreamsinmotion.ca 5

Nov 27 – Dec 31, Downsview Park's Trail of Lights

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Downsview Park is home to Canada's largest walk-through holiday light show. Follow the 2 km route to experience 400,000 LED lights in hundreds of light displays and warm up with activities and treats.

T: (416) 952-2222

W: www.downsviewpark.ca 1 ★

Nov 27 – Jan 4, Christmas Magic in Cobourg

Cobourg, Central Ontario

Christmas Magic transforms Victoria Park and the Waterfront into a dazzling display of over 100,000 coloured lights.

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.cobourgtourism.ca 4 ★

Nov 28 – 29, In the "Nick" of Time

Buckhorn, Central Ontario

Over 45 exhibitors with a variety of hand crafted gift items. Find a unique gift for that special person on your list.

T: (705) 657-8833 4 ★

W: www.buckhorncommunitycentre.com

Nov 28 – Dec 13, Holiday Traditions

Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Ho Ho Ho! Santa Claus is coming to RBG and he's bringing lots of holiday entertainment and fun stuff to do. Pictures with Santa, shopping, entertainment, and arts and crafts.

T: (905) 527-1158

W: www.rbg.ca 1 ★

Nov 28 – Jan 3, Simcoe Christmas Panorama

Simcoe, Southwestern Ontario

Our "River of Lights" is making spirits bright every evening 5:30pm-11pm. Visit Ontario's oldest Christmas light event. Experience the magic created with thousands of lights and over 60 displays.

T: (519) 426-1022

W: www.simcoe panorama.ca 2 ★

Nov 28 – Jan 3, Upper Canada Village's Alight at Night Festival

Morrisburg, Eastern Ontario

Stroll around historic Upper Canada Village, adorned with a quarter million lights. Horse-drawn wagons, carriage rides for two, Toy Train rides for kids of all ages, skating, dining, shopping and more!

T: 1-800-437-2233

W: www.alightatnight.ca 5

Nov 28 – Jan 3, Victorian Christmas at Dundurn National Historic Site

Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Experience a "Victorian Christmas" as Sir Allan MacNab and his family might have enjoyed in 1855. Cedar garlands grace the drawing room, and the dining room is set for a gracious Christmas feast.

T: (905) 546-2872

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums 2 ★

Nov 28 – 30, Christmas Concert Series

Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region

Past Christmas Concert Series performers have included Daniel O'Donnell, Randy Travis, Debbie Reynolds, Patti Page, Ray Price, and many more! Visit website for concert announcements.

T: 1-800-563-2557

W: www.wfol.com 3 ★

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ONTARIO



Winter Wonderland

There are great holiday events that happen throughout December from parades and craft



shows, to horse-drawn carriage rides and photos with Santa. For a complete listing of Holiday Celebrations visit www.ontariotravel.net.

Your family can celebrate 2010 at **New Year's Eve Celebrations** in several cities in Ontario: **Niagara Falls, Barrie, Scarborough** or

North Bay, to name a few. You may be tempted to hibernate come January, but with great festivals like the **Ontario Winter Carnival Bon Soo** in **Sault Ste. Marie**, **Winterlude** in **Ottawa** or the **Cobourg Winter Festival**, who would want to? Delicious fun for the whole family can be had

at **maple syrup festivals** in **Prince Edward County, Elmira and Wingham**. In **Toronto** the **International Boat Show and Motorcycle SUPERSHOW** will be a welcome escape on those "gray-days". Canada's largest flower and garden show **Canada Blooms**, is sure to get you warmed up for the spring days ahead.



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Dec 1, Winter Celebrations

Visit www.ontariotravel.net for information on fall and winter celebrations in communities throughout Ontario in the Fall & Winter Celebrations Supplement.

Dec 1 – 23, Victorian Christmas at Woodside National Historic Site Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy the opportunity to see, hear, touch and taste the many sights, sounds and aromas of a late Victorian home decorated for the festive season. Visit Kitchener's heritage treasure!

T: (519) 571-5684 x 25
W: www.pc.gc.ca 2

Dec 3, Paying a Call: Yuletide Evening Tour Baden, Southwestern Ontario

During the Victorian era, paying a call was a popular custom. Paying a call meant to visit someone in their home. We invite you to tour the fully decorated Castle Kilbride National Historic Site.

T: (519) 634-8444
W: www.castlekilbride.ca 2

Dec 3 – 6, Christkindl Market Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Come for the food and stay for the bands, choirs, dancers, Railway display, Christkindl, organ grinder, Kinderecke (crafts) and over 70 vendors. "Festival of German Christmas" at Kitchener City Hall. See ad on page 109.

T: (519) 741-2387
W: www.christkindlcanada.com 2 ★

Dec 3 – 27, Christmas Evening Tours Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Enjoy a unique opportunity to see Dundurn Castle decorated for Christmas in the evening. Begin your evening with carol singing in the front hall and enjoy an assortment of traditional Christmas food served in the historic kitchen.

T: (905) 546-2872
W: www.hamilton.ca/museums 2 ★

Dec 4, Festival of Lights Bracebridge, Central Ontario

The official holiday lighting of downtown Bracebridge. Families enjoy music, mascots, and a variety of children's activities. The finale is a holiday fireworks show by the Rotary Club of Bracebridge.

T: (705) 645-3037
W: www.town.bracebridge.on.ca 4 ★

Dec 4 – 6, Canadian Snowcross Championships Searchmont, Northern Ontario

The worlds best snowmobile racers compete for the first time in Canada to start the 2009 racing season. Hundreds of International racers will race over huge jumps at Searchmont Ski Resort.

T: (905) 868-6145
W: www.snowcross.com 7 ★

Dec 5, Christmas Spirit Walk Aylmer, Southwestern Ontario

Stroll along a candle lit path through the Springwater Forest and join local performers as they celebrate the spirit of Christmas. Sip on a hot beverage and see who awaits you at the end of the trail!

T: (519) 773-9037
W: www.catfishcreek.ca 2

Dec 5 – 6, Christmas by Candlelight Keene, Central Ontario

Get into the spirit of the season with a traditional Pioneer Christmas featuring horse and sleigh rides, carollers, demonstrations, festive foods and a visit from Father Christmas. Live music.

T: (705) 295-6694
W: www.langpioneeervillage.ca 4

Dec 5 – 6, Frost Frenzy Collingwood, Central Ontario

Discover the magic of the holidays in the Village. Horse drawn carriage rides, Santa pictures, carolers, outdoor fire pit, wreath contest, shopping and dining galore!

T: (705) 445-0231
W: www.VillageAtBlue.com 4 ★

Dec 5 – Jan 2, Wonders of Winter Waterloo, Southwestern Ontario

We have over 80 displays, both static and animated, with a total of 100,000 lights. The displays range from Santa Claus, nursery rhymes, a unique nativity scene and many other surprises.

T: (519) 725-1086
W: www.wondersofwinter.ca 2

Dec 6 – Jan 13, Burlington Lakeside Festival of Lights Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Burlington's unofficial "Welcome to Winter" event. Enjoy the magic of the season at the Lakeside Festival of Lights in beautiful Spencer Smith Park.

T: (905) 333-9868
W: www.burlingtonfestivaloflights.com 1

Dec 10, Rockwood Farmers' Parade of Lights Rockwood, Southwestern Ontario

Farm equipment adorned with Christmas lights travel the streets of Rockwood. This event is strictly non-commercial and without advertising.

T: (519) 856-4496
W: www.rockwoodfarmersparade.org 2

Dec 11 – 24, The Christmas Story Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

A Toronto tradition since 1938. Professional musicians and a volunteer cast present this charming nativity pageant.

T: (416) 598-8979
W: www.holytrinitytoronto.org 1

Dec 12, Winter Festival Candle Light Stroll Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region

Enjoy a traditional candle light stroll with Victorian-era characters, choirs, bell ringers, a live nativity scene and Santa along with horse and carriage rides, hot chocolate and roasted chestnuts.

T: 1-800-563-2557
W: www.wfol.com 3 ★

Dec 12, A Candlelight Christmas Vandorf, Central Ontario

Join our costumed staff for an evening tour. Explore Victorian Christmas traditions, sample 19th century foods, enjoy a horse drawn sleigh ride, and Christmas carols.

T: 1-888-290-0337
W: www.townofws.com/museum 4

Dec 12 – 31, Sparkles in the Park Guelph, Southwestern Ontario

View festive light displays, enjoy free carousel rides and visit with Santa. Event wraps up with New Year's Eve Party and fireworks display.

T: 1-800-334-4519
W: www.visitguelphwellington.ca 2

Dec 13, Christmas Festival at Wellington County Museum & Archives Fergus, Southwestern Ontario

Begin the festive season with our annual Christmas Festival. Entertainment, activities, displays, lunch and Christmas baking.

T: (519) 846-0916
W: www.wcm.on.ca 2



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Dec 14, Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay
Brockville, Eastern Ontario

Celebrate Canada when the Olympic torch visits our city.

T: (613) 342-4357

W: www.brockvilletourism.com ♿ 5 ★

Dec 17, Olympic Torch Relay Celebration
Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Catch the Olympic Spirit in person by attending the Olympic Torch Relay. Markham is one of the celebration venues as the Torch tours across Canada and heads to Vancouver for the 2010 Winter Olympics.

T: (905) 477-7000

W: www.markham.ca ♿ 1 ★

Dec 19, The Simple Joys of Christmas at Battlefield House Museum
Stoney Creek, Southwestern Ontario

Gather your family together, and step back in time to experience an early 19th century Christmas evening. Be warmed and welcomed by a crackling fire and relive a holiday when tallow candles lit the way.

T: (905) 662-8458

W: www.hamilton.ca/museums ♿ 2 ★

Dec 19 – 23, Village Lantern Tours
Markham, Greater Toronto Area

Take a lantern-lit tour through the beautifully lit 25-acre site. Learn about the holiday traditions of Markham's first settlers. Seasonally themed crafts including making lanterns and dipping candles.

T: (905) 294-4576

W: www.markham.ca ♿ 1 ★

Dec 21 – 22, Woodside by Lamplight
Kitchener, Southwestern Ontario

Step back to a 1890s Christmas evening and experience Woodside by candlelight and lamplight. Sample roasted chestnuts by the fire, enjoy baked goodies in the kitchen and listen to music in the parlour.

T: (519) 5684 x 25

W: www.pc.gc.ca ♿ 2

Dec 26, The 34th Annual Christmas Treats Walk

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

Don't miss this much loved annual event where Siberian Tigers, Reindeer and other animals receive their seasonal goodies. Strolling Carollers and FREE Hot Chocolate following the walk.

T: (416) 391-5929

W: www.torontozoo.com ♿ 1

Dec 31, New Year's Eve Niagara Falls
Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls and Region



The countdown to 2009 has already begun and we want you to celebrate in Niagara Falls! Spectacular fireworks over the falls to ring in the New Year, along with world-class

musical entertainment!

T: 1-877-642-7275

W: www.niagaraparks.com 3 ★

Dec 31, The 7th Annual New Year's Eve Family Countdown

Scarborough, Greater Toronto Area

Join some true party animals this New Year's Eve at the Toronto Zoo! This outdoor family-fun event starts 2010 off right with lots of great music, entertainment, animal visitors and more.

T: (416) 392-5929

W: www.torontozoo.com ♿ 1

Dec 31, New Year's Eve in Brampton
Brampton, Greater Toronto Area

Join the best party in town, from Gage Park to Rose Theatre in Downtown Brampton! It features live entertainment all night long and two fireworks displays at 9pm and midnight. Ice-skating, street performers, marshmallow roasting on an open fire!

T: (905) 874-2315

W: www.brampton.ca 1 ★

Dec 31, Families First New Year's Eve Event
North Bay, Northern Ontario

Free family-oriented New Year's Eve celebration: snow golf, skating, swimming, live entertainment, fireworks, glow in the dark Frisbee, scavenger hunt, guitar hero wars, sliding, bonfire and more.

T: (705) 474-0626 x 2335

W: www.cityofnorthbay.ca ♿ 7 ★

Dec 31, Family First Night
Aurora, Greater Toronto Area

Ring in the New Year early with your family and friends. Enjoy wagon rides, bonfire, swimming, skating, games, children's activities and so much more.

T: (905) 726-4762

W: www.e-aurora.ca ♿ 1 ★

Dec 31, Barrie's Downtown Countdown
Barrie, Central Ontario

Ring in 2010 at the largest New Year's Eve celebration in Central Ontario! The alcohol-free festivities include skating, horse-drawn wagon rides, midway rides, fireworks and live entertainment.

T: (705) 739-4285

W: www.barrie.ca ♿ 4 ★

Dec 31 – Oct 1, Oshawa Celebrates 2010
Oshawa, Greater Toronto Area

Oshawa rings in the New year with a Free Event at the General Motors Centre, our state of the art entertainment facility. We have free skating, a headliner musical act and New Year's countdown.

T: (905) 436-3892

W: www.oshawa.ca ♿ 1 ★

Jan 9 – 17, Toronto International Boat Show
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Celebrating 52 years as the best place to see and buy boats, gear and accessories, Canada's premier boat show boasts more than 1,500 boats and hundreds of booths.

T: (905) 951-0009

W: www.torontoboatshow.com ♿ 1

Jan 15 – 17, North American International Motorcycle SUPERSHOW
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

North America's largest Motorcycle Show, featuring the new model motorcycles, dealer displays, accessories and aftermarket products, over 70 club displays, three stages, special guests, and custom bikes.

T: (905) 655-5403

W: www.supershowevents.com ♿ 1

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Winterlude.ca

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Canada's winter celebration!

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Jan 16 – 17, Tim Horton's Georgian Cup Snowcross

Owen Sound, Southwestern Ontario

Canadian Snowmobile racers will compete on a 1/2 mile race course at Victoria Park for the prestigious Georgian Cup. Proceeds support the local hospital.

T: (905) 868-6145

W: www.snowcross.com ♿ 2 ★

Jan 22 – 24, Snowfest

Samia, Southwestern Ontario

Snow and Ice Sculptors from around the world carving eight foot columns of snow into art. Children's activities and gorgeous creations to view.

T: (519) 336-5230

W: www.snow-sculpting.com 2

Jan 22 – 24, Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships

Huntsville, Central Ontario

Hosted at Deerpark Resort in Huntsville with 24 pond hockey rinks scattered on six acres of open ice, an amazing way to experience Canada's favourite pastime in beautiful Muskoka.

T: 1-888-381-2945 x 310

W: www.canadapondhockey.ca 4

Jan 30 – Feb 2, Wiarton Willie Festival

Warton, Southwestern Ontario

Warton Willie Festival is a celebration of Groundhog Day. This annual celebration has taken place in Warton for over 50 years and sponsors events for people of all ages over a four day period. Check website for details.

T: (519) 534-1400 x 123

W: www.warton-willie.org 2 ★

Feb 5 – 14, Bon Soo Winter Carnival 2010

Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Ontario



75 indoor and outdoor events for the entire family. Bon Soo is one of the largest winter carnivals in Northern Ontario. Events include entertainment, Polar Bear Swim and Snomadness events.

T: (705) 759-3000

W: www.bonsoo.on.ca ♿ 7 ★

Feb 5 – 21, Winterlude

Ottawa, Ottawa Region



Three fun-filled weekends of excitement! Skating on the world's longest skating rink, glittery ice snow sculptures, playing in Snowflake Kingdom and the largest snow

playground on the continent and meeting the Ice Hog family - all this and much more. See ad on page 111.

T: 1-800-465-1867

W: www.winterlude.gc.ca ♿ 6 ★

Feb 6 – 7, Barrie Winterfest and Festival of Ice

Barrie, Central Ontario



Winter fun for the whole family! Grab your mittens and enjoy wagon rides, snow slide, dog sled rides, lumberjack show, ice sculptures, polar bear swim and much more. Indoor activities too!

T: (705) 739-4285

W: www.barrie.ca ♿ 4 ★

Feb 6 – 14, Kuumba

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Harbourfront Centre celebrates African Heritage Month with two weekends full of lively entertainment. The public can explore and celebrate the heritage, traditions and culture of African-Canadians in music, comedy, dance, food, film and more.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com ♿ 1 ★

Feb 13 – 14, Beaver Cup Pond Hockey Festival

Ottawa, Ottawa Region

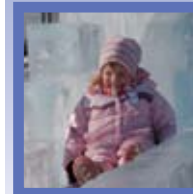
One Dam Cool Hockey Experience. Register online. Relive your childhood memories playing pond hockey in the great outdoors. Open to men (24+) and women (19+). Check out Mascots on Ice and NHL Alumni Game.

T: (613) 485-0909

W: www.beavercuppondhockey.com ♿ 6

Feb 20 – 21, Cobourg Winter Festival

Cobourg, Central Ontario



A fun filled weekend for the entire family. Fireworks, ice carving, ice maze, snow shoes, hayrides, harbourfront zoo, West Coast Lumberjack Show and much more!

T: 1-888-262-6874

W: www.cobourgtourism.ca 4 ★

Feb 20 – 21, Cannington Dog Sled Races & Winter Carnival

Cannington, Greater Toronto Area

Join us for a fun-filled weekend of dog sled races, pancake breakfasts, ice sculptures and a variety of crazy outdoor activities for kids. Live music, a comedy show-great family fun!

T: (705) 432-3229

W: www.canningtondogsledraces.com 1



Feb 20 – 21, Canadian Ice Fishing Championship

Sutton, Central Ontario

Come and enjoy Ice Fishing at its best! Thousands of dollars in cash and prizes. Funds raised to help support the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Foundation.

T: 1-888-448-0000

W: www.cifc.org 4

Mar 13 – 15, Family Fun Fest

London, Southwestern Ontario

London's largest indoor festival. Fun for the whole family, with family entertainment, rides and games. A great way to take advantage of the March Break.

T: (519) 438-7203

W: www.westernfair.com ♿ 2 ★

Mar 19 – 23, Canada Blooms

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Canada's largest flower and garden show. Celebrating Spring in Ontario with over 30 designer gardens, over 200 exhibitors and Canada's top garden experts speaking about the best of Canada gardens.

T: 1-800-730-1020

W: www.canadablooms.com ♿ 1 ★

Mar 20 – Apr 4, Buckhorn MapleFest

Buckhorn, Central Ontario

Maple syrup demonstrations, hay rides, music, toffee on snow, kids corral, walking tours, pancake breakfast at the sugar bush and many other events in the community of Buckhorn.

T: (705) 657-2134

W: www.mcleanberryfarm.com 4

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For additional
festival and event listings,
visit www.ontariotravel.net
for the Canada Day,
Holidays & Winter Celebration
supplements.

www.ontariotravel.net



Mar 27 – 28, Maple in the County
Prince Edward County, Eastern Ontario



A great family event showcasing the County as "the sweetest spot in spring." Take in a pancake breakfast, maple themed meals, sugar bush tours, sap house demos,

wagon rides and more.

T: 1-866-845-6644

W: www.thecounty.ca/maple 5 ★

Apr 1 – Oct 31, Doors Open Ontario 2010
Province Wide

Explore the province's heritage sites during Doors Open Ontario 2009. Community events run from April - October. Call 1-800-ONTARIO for the Doors Open Ontario Guide or visit our website.

T: (416) 325-5000

W: www.doorsopenontario.on.ca 1 ★

Apr 1 – Nov 1, Shaw Theatre Festival
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls and Region

One of the world's finest theatre companies, the Shaw Festival is a celebration of plays by Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries and plays about the period of Shaw's lifetime.

T: 1-800-511-7429

W: www.shawfest.com 3

Apr 3, Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny River Race
Port Hope, Central Ontario

The Annual Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny River Race is a 10 km race along the Ganaraska River for kayaks, canoes and crazy crafts.

T: (905) 885-2522

W: www.porthope.ca 4 ★

Apr 2 – 4, Northern Aboriginal Festival
Sudbury, Northern Ontario

The Northern Aboriginal Festival is part of the 125 Greater Sudbury Anniversary celebrations and will include a PowWow and a vendors market featuring food, crafts, Native artisans, and information.

T: (705) 674-4455

W: www.mysudbury.ca 7 ★

Apr 2 – 4, Dayco National Snowcross Championships
Barrie, Central Ontario

Hundreds of the world best snowmobile racers will compete on the Horseshoe ski hills for Canadian National Championships. The event also features demo rides on the new 2010 model snowmobiles.

T: (905) 868-6145

W: www.snowcross.com 4 ★

Apr 2 – 4, Festival of Brass
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Hannaford Street Silver Band's 6th annual Festival of Brass presents three concerts of youth, community and professional music-making.

T: (416) 366-7723

W: www.stlc.com 1

Apr 3, Elmira Maple Syrup Festival
Elmira, Southwestern Ontario

Family event to welcome Spring featuring pancakes with Maple Syrup, Sugarbush Tours, Craft Show and Sale, Antique and Collectibles Show and Sale, Toy Show and Sale, Petting Zoo, mall with food and craft vendors.

T: (519) 669-2605

W: www.elmiramaplesyrup.com 2

Apr 4, Easter Around the World
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

The Community Folk Art Council of Toronto and its member groups will be bringing together 18 different ethnic communities with Easter displays at the 44th Annual Easter Around the World Festival!

T: (416) 368-8743

W: www.cfactoronto.com 1

Apr 4, Annual Swanning Release
Stratford, Southwestern Ontario

The Swans will be released from their winter quarters and marched to the Avon River to the sounds of the Perth County Pipe Band.

T: (519) 271-5140

W: www.welcometostratford.com/swans 2

Apr 3 – 4, Toronto Spring Motorcycle Show
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Toronto's Spring Motorcycle Marketplace for the best prices on all your riding needs. Dealer displays, stage events, accessory superstores, club displays, custom bike competition, and special guests.

T: (905) 655-5403

W: www.supershows events.com 1

Apr 3 – 4, 9th Annual Maplefest
Hastings, Central Ontario

Celebrate Spring! Pancakes, sausage, maple baking, tours, hiking trails, family activities, taffy on snow, fresh maple syrup sales.

T: (705) 696-3511 4

Apr 4, The Storytelling Festival of Toronto
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Harbourfront Centre and The Storytelling Festival of Toronto present a day of storytelling from around the world for all ages.

T: (416) 973-4000

W: www.harbourfrontcentre.com 1 ★

Apr 8 – 10, Fiddle and Step
Wingham, Southwestern Ontario

Come on down and witness the best fiddling, step dancing and singing in town!

T: (519) 357-4082

W: www.winghamheritagetheatre.com 2 ★

Apr 10 – 11, Hot Cross Buns
Hamilton, Southwestern Ontario

Visit Dundurn Castle this Easter Weekend and try your hand at Victorian inspired Easter activities and sample hot cross buns in the historic kitchen. Fun for the whole family.

T: (905) 546-2872

W: www.hamilton.ca 2 ★

Apr 8 – 10, Belmore Maple Syrup Festival
Wingham, Southwestern Ontario

Maple syrup demonstration, entertainment, crafts and homemade pancakes.

T: (519) 335-3748

W: www.huroncounty.ca 2 ★

Apr 10 – Nov 1, Stratford Shakespeare Festival
Stratford, Southwestern Ontario

North America's leading repertory theatre invites you to experience the best plays ever written, brought to dazzling life on four stages. From Shakespeare to musicals, be moved, entertained and enthralled.

T: (519) 273-1600

W: www.stratfordshakespearefestival.com 2

Apr 14 – 18, Kaleidoscope
Burlington, Greater Toronto Area

Arts Burlington and the BAC present a colourful, family-oriented weekend, offering a kaleidoscope of artwork on exhibition, sales, demonstrations, and hands-on activities.

T: (905) 632-7796

W: www.burlingtonartcentre.on.ca 1

Apr 16 – 17, Springtime Canal Bank Shuffle
Thorold, Niagara Falls and Region

A two-day Blues festival at various locations throughout Thorold.

T: (905) 680-9477

W: www.canalbankshuffle.com 3

Apr 16 – 18, 10th Annual Halton Eco Festival
Oakville, Greater Toronto Area

A free-to-attend, earth day environmental fair for sustainability featuring educational presentations, kids fun zone and informative displays by environmentally-friendly businesses and organizations.

T: (905) 849-5501

W: www.haltonecofest.ca 1

Apr 15 – 25, Toronto Hispano-American Film Festival
Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Soak up the culture and talent of the Hispanic-American film community in the city renowned for its status as Hollywood North.

T: (416) 769-8048

W: www.hispanoamericanfilm.com 1

Apr 17, Earth Day Celebration
Port Rowan, Southwestern Ontario

Environmental fun for the whole family! Plant a tree, go on a hike, crafts, pond study and more outdoor fun. Meet at the Conservation Education Centre.

T: (519) 586-2201

W: www.lprca.on.ca 2

Apr 17 – 25, 18th Annual Toronto Jewish Film Festival

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

Join over 30,000 audience members at the World's largest Jewish Film Festival. See films from over 14 countries. The only film festival to offer food to its audiences.

T: (416) 967-1528

W: www.tjff.com ♿ 1

Apr 18 – May 18, Festival of the Arts

Alliston, Central Ontario

Art on Main Streets of South Simcoe communities; Music Festival with professional adjudications; choral workshops and concert; showcase of South Simcoe Arts! See website for more information.

T: (705) 435-2378 ♿ 4 ★

W: www.southsimcoeartscouncil.com

Apr 17 – May 2, Springfest

Milton, Greater Toronto Area

Pony rides, face painting, crafts, baby animals, tractor track, giant sandbox, wagon ride and farm tour, straw mazes, farm market, bakery and more!

T: (905) 878-4908

W: www.springridgefarm.com 1

Apr 17 – May 8, 29th Annual Orillia Perch Festival

Orillia, Central Ontario

Fun, family fishing derby! Great prizes. Adult and children's categories. Special OPP Kids Day May 2nd. Live release program. Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching. Just fish to win!

T: (705) 326-4424

W: www.orillia.com/perchfestival 4

Apr 21, Earth Day

Newmarket, Greater Toronto Area

Come to our nature reserve, then visit the website to help us save this beautiful urban greenspace for future generations. Earth Day 2009 has many activities across Ontario.

T: 1-800-440-2366

W: www.treesintrust.com 1

Apr 22 – 25, La Salon du Livre du Grand Sudbury

Sudbury, Northern Ontario

Don't miss the most important francophone literary event in Ontario. This is a festival of authors, a celebration of the arts and a cultural happening for people of all ages.

T: (705) 675-1149

W: www.lesalondulivre.ca ♿ 7

Apr 24, Perth Festival of the Maples

Perth, Eastern Ontario

Free outdoor festival with over 100 artisans, food vendors and maple syrup producers plus a petting zoo, live musical entertainment, children's entertainment all within a hour commute of Ottawa.

T: 1-888-319-3204

W: www.perthchamber.com ♿ 5 ★

Apr 24, Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival

Elmvale, Central Ontario

Enjoy the sweet taste of Spring. Many of our 30,000 visitors have told us we're the best Maple Syrup Festival in Ontario.

T: (705) 322-6613

W: www.elmvalemaplesyrup.ca 4

Apr 25, Earth Day

Toronto, Greater Toronto Area

This annual Earth Day festival celebrates the environment and helps raise awareness about sustainable living. Events include plantings, family activities, a vendor village and performers. Fun for all.

T: (416) 952-2222

W: www.downsviewpark.ca ♿ 1 ★

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