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Downtown Toronto's "Entertainment Hotel" - the Delta Chelsea – is perfect for fun filled, great value summer getaways that are closer to home. Call 1-800- CHELSEA or visit for great rates and packages. One call does it all, with exclusive deals on Toronto's hottest events, attractions and shows. "Show your key and save" at Toronto events, attractions and theatre partners.

The Delta Chelsea is just steps from Toronto's best shopping and attractions and is your ideal base to catch a Show this summer. Like "Rock of Ages" where a small town girl and a big city rocker fall in love to the greatest songs of the '80s. Or "Legally Blonde the Musical" where Sorority star Elle Woods sets out to go where no Delta Nu sister has ever gone before: Harvard Law. There's "Rain" - a Beatles Tribute, or "How Now Mrs Brown Cow" – an Anglo Irish comedy phenomenon.

Families will love the Kid Centre, the huge family pool and Club 33 Teen Lounge. For more fun and thrills, there's a one hundred and thirty foot Corkscrew indoor waterslide. Plus an all-inclusive summer program for kids, CAMP CHELSEA and supervised evening child care.

All summer long guests can enjoy Chelsea Beach on Toronto Island Park. The beach is life guarded and has a Blue Flag rating, the international eco-label awarded for excellence in water quality. Other amenities nearby include Centreville Amusement Park (discounted tickets are available to all Chelsea guests), bike and boat rentals, snack bars and restaurants. For convenience, Delta's association with Toronto Tours allows guests to access discounted roundtrip transportation, coach then boat, from the hotel.

VIA Rail is the human way to travel to Toronto. No worries about weather or traffic - relax and arrive stress free, in no time! Book at www.viarail.ca - and find deals for everyone including youths 18 to 25 and groups over 10 people. This summer, bring the whole family - kids and seniors can find deals too. Every Thursday the website has new express deals of the week. Right now from Montreal you can ride to Toronto from as little as \$69

Mission

Delta Hotels Mission:

- A hotel company that offers great value
- A hotel company that has warm, friendly, sincere, customer-focused employees
- A hotel company that offers consistent delivery of products and services, is innovative, and consistently improving service



Located in the heart of downtown Toronto, guests are within minutes of
the city's best theatre, shopping and attractions.
Address: 33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1Z4
Tel: 416-595-1975
Fax: 416-585-4375
Reservations: 1-800-243-5732
www.deltachelsea.com
The Delta Chelsea is the first choice for families in Toronto. Firstly, it's
great value:
- Free accommodation for children under 18 when staying with a
parent or guardian.
- "Eat for free" from the special children's menu for children six and
under.
- For children ages seven to 12 years, "eat for half price" from the
regular menu, or at list price from the special children's menu.
Nice family-friendly touches include:
- Individual check-in cards are given to children to complete upon
arrival.
- An age-specific "Kids' Essentials" kit for infants to seven years is
given upon check-in.
- Front desk provides information on family attractions.
- Pagers are available for parents and wristband policy always matches
the child to the parent.
- Strollers and wagons are available for a deposit.
- Delta Chelsea has been recognized as the "Best Family Hotel" from
the readers of City Parent in the 11th Annual Readers Selection
Awards. Being chosen five times by the readers they have become a
Gold member of the Hall of Fame.
Then there's all the family focused services specifically at Delta
Chelsea:
- Theatre babysitting for children between the ages of three and
twelve is available during daily matinees and Friday and Saturday
evening performances.
- The Delta Chelsea's Starcade Games Room is catered to teens.
Complete with a pool table, air hockey and a great selection of video
games.
- Camp Chelsea offers a complete line-up of activities for children ages
five to twelve. Fully qualified camp counselors will keep your children
well entertained. Camp Chelsea operates on weekends throughout the
year and everyday during the summer.
- Kid Centre: The Kid Centre is filled with exciting and entertaining
activities to keep any child busy for hours! With painting, crafts,



PlayStation, cooperative play, colourful fish and a bunny named Brownie, it's only the beginning to the endless fun. The centre also offers pagers, strollers and wagon rentals. Supervised childcare, theatre babysitting, (during daily matinees and Friday and Saturday evening performances) and a strict wristband policy set in place to match child to parent.

- **Webkinz** are an exciting addition to the Kid Centre. Webkinz pets are lovable plush toys that come with a unique secret code. With it, you enter Webkinz World where you care for your virtual pet, answer trivia, earn Kinzcash and play the best kids games on the net!
- Teen Centre Club 33: Club 33 is an exciting addition to the Delta Chelsea Hotel! Equipped with a Ping-Pong table, big screen LCD television with Blue Ray player, brand new HP Touch screen computers with internet, XBOX 360 featuring RockBand and IPOD docking stations, the entertainment is endless. This centre is for ages 12-19 years. Catering to the entire family, Bingo, movie nights and Family Fear Factor, there's something fun for everyone.
- **Pools**: two heated indoor pools Deck 27 caters to adults, while the Family Fun Zone on the second floor, includes a pool, waterslide and wading pool.
- The pool includes the **Corkscrew**, a 130-foot waterslide encased in a four-storey glass tower. Heated and operates year round. Height restriction is 5'.
- For children under three: Improv Care will supply high quality babysitting services.
- Playpens, cribs, highchairs and booster seats.
- Safety kits including socket protectors, bandages and night-lights.

In the evenings this year, the whole family can enjoy scheduled activities such as Family Fear Factor, Bingo Bonanza, Chelsea Challenge and Moviemania.

Family Fun Suites provide families with a home away from home when visiting Toronto. The fully equipped apartment-style suites feature separate bedrooms, a kitchen, a living room and a play area for children. Special amenities include: bubble bath, kid's bathrobes, step-up stools, children's chairs, cookie jars, alphabet fridge magnets, in-room DVD and Nintendo game cube with free access to movies and video games at the Children's Creative Centre, bunk-beds, take-home gifts and Kids Koncierge.

Weddings & Honeymoons

Let the Delta Chelsea help you plan the perfect wedding. Their experienced **Director of 'Romance,'** your personal wedding planner, will take care of all the details. A team of professionals will keep things running smoothly, while you relax and enjoy your special day in the



elegant ambience of our reception facilities. They'll make this an event you and your guests will never forget!

As Toronto's wedding specialists, they offer the convenience of a selection of tastefully decorated venues where you can hold your wedding ceremony, as well as the reception to follow.

The beautifully landscaped patio is the perfect backdrop for your outdoor wedding ceremony. Nestled in a secluded location off Elm Street, it offers a private setting for your intimate gathering. You'll take your vows under the glow of sunshine, surrounded by luscious trees, colourful flowers and a sparkling fountain.

For your indoor wedding ceremony and reception, their team of expert decorators will create a mood to suit your personal taste – one that will make all your wedding dreams come true...

The newly renovated **Honeymoon Suites** are custom designed with a contemporary and sophisticated uptown feel. Designer elements include hardwood flooring, wall sculpture, luxurious marble bath, rain shower and 42" Plasma television.

Facilities

Deck 27 Health Club

It's easy to maintain your fitness routine while staying at the Delta Chelsea. The health club gives you unlimited access to cardio and weight training equipment while enjoying a panoramic view of downtown Toronto. Exclusive to guests 19 and older. The Deck 27 adults-only recreation area offers: Free weights, six lifecycles, two life-rowers, seven treadmills, four life-steps, one free runner, two elliptical, eight strength pieces and Universal machines Towels, change rooms, saunas, showers and lockers Outdoor sundeck

Deck 27 Pool

Guests can relax and unwind in the adults-only heated indoor pool and whirlpool. Exclusive to guests 19 and older.

Family Fun Zone & Family Pool

For families, our second floor recreation area features a family pool with and a four-storey indoor waterslide, the 'Corkscrew.' Children can also improve their swimming skills with the parent-directed Delta Dolphin Swim Program. The Family Fun Zone also has a whirlpool and sauna, as well as the Starcade Games Room and the Children's Creative Centre.

Services

Parking Self-parking - \$26 per night plus taxes Valet parking - \$31 per night plus taxes

In & out parking privileges are provided for registered guests.

Dry Cleaning - Same day and overnight dry cleaning services available.

Laundry - The hotel has self-service, coin operated laundry facilities available (\$2.00 wash & \$2.00 dry from 7:00 a.m. to midnight). Laundry



	soap, fabric softener and laundry detergent are available for purchase.
Accommodation	The Delta Chelsea is Canada's largest hotel and has 1,590 guestrooms and suites available in a wide choice of styles and sizes to suit the needs of every guest whether they are traveling on business or pleasure. All rooms offer the following amenities: June Jacob Spa Collection amenities Colour TV, with in-room pay-per-view Automated television check-out
	Bathrobe
	Complimentary tea & coffee Iron and ironing board
	Alarm clock
	Hair dryer
	Voice Mail
Dining	Bb33 Bistro and Brasserie - Bb33 is both a bistro and brasserie in one dynamic setting; each offering its own unique dining experience. The brasserie allows guests to choose from elaborate buffets or from a creative à la-carte menu at breakfast, lunch and dinner. This upscale yet relaxed atmosphere features a selection of hearty salads, Canadian cheese and mouth-watering entrées including roast beef and fresh Maritime seafood. The bistro is a showcase of Chef Kevin Philip's talents as he prepares contemporary Canadian cuisine using only the freshest ingredients from across the country. Join them for succulent seasonal dishes in an intimate and elegant atmosphere.
	Market Garden - Our bustling market-style food emporium features chefs who prepare hot and cold entrées right before your eyes. Prepare your own salad or try the chefs' homemade soups and sandwiches. At the bakery, you can find gourmet pizzas or freshly baked delicacies that are perfect with a specialty coffee from the Coffee & Tea Emporium. Dine in the restaurant, seasonal outdoor patio or enjoy the convenience of take-out.
	Monarchs - Monarchs is home to delicious pub fare and one of the city's most extensive selections of domestic and international premium ales. Sit back and catch the latest sporting action on the big screen TV or dance the night away to the music of the live DJ. Monarchs Pub is the place to be for the ultimate happy hour or late-night gathering. I have watched World Cup soccer games there in a very lively and fun atmosphere!
	Elm Street Lounge - Relax over a premium cocktail or specialty martini and watch the world go by from the lobby lounge. At lunch, enjoy a



	selection of à la-carte items or the authentic curry buffet.
	Deck 27 - The 27th floor offers a view of Toronto's skyline that is incredible by day and romantic by night. It's the perfect place to enjoy continental breakfast or an evening drink.
Airport Shuttle	An airport shuttle bus service is available from Pearson Airport to the Delta Chelsea for just \$19.95 one way, almost one third of the taxi fare.
Pet Policy	It is hard to leave a pet behind. Now, you don't have to. Delta Hotels is pleased to welcome you and your pet. When traveling with your pet, you want to ensure a safe and comfortable stay for you and your fellow guests. Delta hotels and resorts have a pet charge of \$35 per stay/room to cover additional cleaning costs.
Awards	It is the only hotel company to have been recognized for its sustained focus on business excellence by the prestigious National Quality Institute with three Canada Awards for Excellence, including the award program's highest honour, the Order of Excellence (2007). The company also consistently ranks as one of the country's best employers in The Globe and Mail's Report on Business annual "50 Best Employers" list (2001–2003, 2005–2010). As well, its Corporate Social Responsibility platform, Delta Helps , includes a chain-wide commitment to the communities it serves through a national partnership with Habitat for Humanity Canada, participation in the Hotel Association of Canada's Green Key Eco-Rating program, and work with various other charitable groups.
June 2010	Summer Special: Save 30% off the daily regular room rate when booking a minimum of 3 nights. Rate includes: •one-night's accommodation When booking by phone, quote rate code "SSQ" Offer valid between May 12, 2010 and September 30, 2010. For more information call 1-800-CHELSEA (243-5732) or visit www.deltachelsea.com/shop. Terracotta Army The first Canadian tour of The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army is set to premier at the Royal Ontario Museum on June 26, 2010, and will be displayed in the Garfield Weston Exhibition Hall until December 2010. This package includes: •one-night's accommodation •hotel parking •\$25 food credit (can be used at any Delta Chelsea outlet) •2 adult tickets to The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army exhibition



Your Stay, Your Way: Shop 'til you Drop -

Enjoy a shopping expedition in downtown Toronto with a \$25 Eaton Centre Gift Card. With over 285 shops and services, you can spend the day shopping and then relax at Deck 27 Health Club, which features an adult-only pool, fitness equipment, Jacuzzi and sauna. This package includes:

- one-night's accommodation
- •\$25 Eaton Centre gift card one per stay Click:

https://reservations.deltahotels.com/Availability.aspx?property=CHE&arrival=06/18/2010&departure=06/19/2010&promo=PSHO&lang=en



DESTINATION INFO	TORONTO
Location	Just six hours drive from Montreal
Geography	Situated 566 feet above sea level on the northern shore of Lake
	Ontario, part of the Great Lakes system, Toronto is one of the
	southernmost cities in Canada. In fact, it has the same latitude as southern Oregon.
Name	Toronto is named for the Huron Indian word similar in meaning to 'meeting place'.
Population	Canada's largest city, with a population in the Greater Toronto Area of 5.1 million people, making it North America's 5th largest city, after Mexico City, New York, LA and Chicago. Toronto's population is predicted to increase to 7.45 million by the year 2031.
Language	In addition to the two official languages, the top 5 languages spoken in Toronto are Chinese, Italian, Tamil, Portuguese and Spanish. 46% of Toronto's population are immigrants to Canada and 128 languages and dialects can be heard on the streets of Toronto.
Health	Remember to ensure that you have travel insurance for out of province travel
Safety tips	As for any Canadian city – just normal, sensible precautions

CLIMATE	Similar to Montreal – but less snow in winter!	
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GETTING THERE	
Flying	Less than an hour from Montreal:
	Porter Airlines have radically altered travel options between Montreal and Toronto.
	- Enjoy state-of-the-art Bombadier Q400 aircraft and the new ultra modern passenger lounge at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport.
	- Fast quiet modern aircraft with custom leather seats and more legroom than usual economy flights.
	- The Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport in Toronto drastically cuts your
	total travel time. Arrive just minutes from downtown – saving around two
	hours on a round trip from Montreal.
Distances	550km, 6hours driving from Montreal to Toronto
Ferries	From downtown to Toronto Island \$15 return (2010)
Trains	Let the train take the strainVIA Rail takes between 4 and 5 hours from
	Montreal to Toronto.
	VIA Rail Canada run more than 480 trains per week over a
	14,000-kilometre network linking more than 450 locations in Canada -



	that adds up to about four million passengers per year on VIA trains. - Connected - Wireless Internet service available in-stations and on select trains
	- Convenient - Priority boarding, a delicious meal included in the price
	of your ticket and complimentary newspapers create stress-free travel.
	- Choice - Facing seats , at-your-seat power outlets for your portable
	computer and premium lighting create a fine ambience before and after
	your vacation.
	Toronto-Montréal is still just \$69 (as at June 2010)
	Travel in Comfort class (economy) between Toronto-Montréal for the
	exceptional one-way fare of \$69 (before taxes).
	Book on line at <u>www.viarail.ca</u> or phone 1 888 VIA-RAIL
Car Rental	All major companies are represented
PATH	The Underground City PATH is downtown Toronto's underground
	walkway linking 27 kms of subterranean shopping, services and
	entertainment. Follow the brightly coloured PATH signs and you'll reach
_	your downtown destination easily in weatherproof comfort.
Buses	TTC – subway, streetcars, buses, transfers
Hippo Tours	A Hippo is a unique 40 passenger vessel that offers land and water
	tours of Toronto. Splash into Lake Ontario on the "Bus that Floats".
	Experience an urban safari in one of Canada's most beautiful cities with
	all its historical sites and its magnificent waterways. The tour highlights
	take you past some of the city's major landmarks such as the Hockey
	Hall of Fame, Sony Centre, Air Canada Centre, Molson Canadian
	Amphitheatre, IMAX, Eaton Centre, Osgoode Hall, Old and New City
	Hall, Toronto's waterfront and Ontario Place. This 90-minute "urban
	safari" is uninterrupted and is fully narrated by a tour escort, to provide
	you with some of the history of Toronto and its historical landmarks.
Common Torres	Price \$39.90 www.torontohippotours.com
Segway Tours	The Distillery Historic District's famed Segway Tours has unveiled their
	newest tour, the one-hour Segway & Tasting Combo Tour. A guide will
	take visitors around the Distillery on the Segway Personal Transporter
	for a 45-minute glide to explore the area's rich history. After you've been
	familiarized with the hip Toronto district, the tasting begins. The Combo
	Tour includes a visit to the award-winning Mill St. Brewery for sampling
	of the tantalizing brews, and a stop at Soma Chocolate to taste their renowned Peruvian dark chocolate. The new combo tours run regularly
	throughout the week and cost is \$69 plus per person.
	www.segwayofontario.com
Passes	Toronto City Pass allows you a 46% discount and front-of-line
1 03353	privileges at five of Toronto's biggest attractions: CN Tower, Toronto
	Zoo, Casa Loma, Ontario Science Centre and Royal Ontario Museum
	for just \$59 per person.
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TARGET GROUPS	
Kids	CN Tower; Toronto Islands and the ferry; Centreville; Black Creek Pioneer Village; Paramount Canada's Wonderland; Ontario Place; ROM; Science Centre; Sports games; Hockey Hall of Fame; Riverdale Farm; Playdiumthe list goes on!
	African Lion Safari: Jungle cats. Ring-tailed lemurs. Baby elephants. What kid could ask for anything more?
	Harbourfront : Kaleidoscope is an ongoing program of creative crafts, active games, and special events on weekends and holidays. There are also a pond, winter ice-skating, and a crafts studio.
	Ontario Place: The Children's Village, water slides, huge Cinesphere, futuristic pod, and other entertainment are the big hits at this recreational and cultural park. In the Children's Village, kids under 13 can scramble over rope bridges, bounce on an enormous trampoline, or drench one another in the water-play section.
	Ontario Science Centre: Kids race to be the first at this paradise of hands-on games, experiments, and push-button demonstrations - 800 of them. There's a Harry Potter exhibit on currently (2010).
	Canada's Wonderland: The kids can't wait to get on the theme park's roller coasters and daredevil rides. And don't forget to budget for video games.
	Toronto Zoo: One of the best in the world, modeled after San Diego's - the animals in this 284-hectare (710-acre) park really do live in a natural environment.
	Toronto's beloved medieval theatre, Medieval Times , has introduced a new performance, the company's first since 2003. The show blends a two-hour live performance with a four course medieval feast served in a castle-inspired 1,000+ seat arena. www.medievaltimes.com
Teens	ROM's Dinosaur Gallery at the Royal Ontario Museum: Discover the wonders of the Michael Lee-Chin Crystal, the James and Louise Temerty Galleries of the Age of Dinosaurs and the Gallery of the Age of Mammals. Together, these awe-inspiring, light-filled new galleries occupy the entire Level 2 of the Lee-Chin Crystal. The prism-shaped galleries of the Age of Dinosaurs and Age of Mammals



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	boast 18-foot high ceilings to accommodate over 750 of the Museum's
	tallest specimens. <u>www.rom.on.ca</u>
	Canada's Wonderland Behemoth
	At over 5,300 feet in length, the Behemoth sets the stage for thrills with
	a climb to a height of 230 feet, followed by an adrenaline pumping 75
	degree drop with speeds reaching 125 kilometres per hour in 3.9
	seconds. The coaster then take riders through the ultimate coaster
	experience with high speed twists, turns and extreme drops. It's
	Canada's highest, fastest and longest coaster!
	www.canadaswonderland.com Price: \$41 for daily pass (2010).
	www.danadaowonaonana.com
	LKTYP - Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People is the largest
	non-profit theatre for young audiences in Canada and presents new
	Canadian plays, innovative works and classics from children's literature
	throughout the season. A multi-faceted centre for learning through the
	arts, LKTYP's performances are designed to help children and youth
	identify with the issues they face today. www.lktyp.ca
Honeymoons &	Casa Loma; Toronto Island; CN Tower; many wonderful church and
Weddings	restaurant options too
Seniors	Casa Loma - Experience the elegance and splendour of the Edwardian
	era at Casa Loma! Casa Loma was built in 1911, by Sir William Henry
	Mill Pellatt, a prominent financier, industrialist, and military man. Casa
	Loma was designed by E.J. Lennox. Explore the unique architecture,
	beautifully furnished rooms, secret passages, towers, and an 800-foot
	tunnel to luxurious stables. May through October enjoy the magnificent
	estate gardens
	Toronto Tours - Whether you are seeking adventure or discovery,
	refinement or rusticity, Toronto Tours will rise to the occasion.
	Combining great ideas with the most unique venues and services in the
	city, they create spectacular results beyond your expectations. Choose
	one or more of the following tour options: Toronto City Tour, Toronto
	Harbour Tour and/or Niagara Falls Tour.
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UNIQUES	The multicultural neighbourhoods are what makes Toronto so vibrant
	and so unique.
Surprising	- Yonge Street, Toronto's main street, is the longest street in the world
	at 1,900 km. It stretches from the lake at Queens Quay in Toronto to
	Rainy River, a mining community in northern Ontario, near Thunder
	Bay.
	- the Bata Shoe Museum
	- the wonderfully hidden ravine systems that run towards the lake
History	The area was used as a meeting place for centuries by people of the
-	First Nations and, later, by French traders, thanks to its naturally



	protected harbour. In 1788, the British purchased the land from the Mississauga Indians, and a settlement slowly established itself around the waterfront area. In 1793, Lieutenant-Colonel John Graves Simcoe established a military garrison and named the town York in honour of the Duke of York of the time. It was renamed Toronto when the city was incorporated in 1834. During the War of 1812, the town was twice occupied by the Americans (both times in 1813). By 1834, its citizens – mostly British and Scottish immigrants – numbered close to 10,000. Others, such as Jews from the United States, Russia and Germany would soon arrive, as well as some 40,000 Irish fleeing famines in their homeland. Blacks escaping slavery in the USA soon followed, sowing the seeds of current day Toronto's multicultural diversity. As the population increased, so did the city's infrastructure. The University of Toronto opened its doors in 1843.
	multicultural diversity. As the population increased, so did the city's infrastructure. The University of Toronto opened its doors in 1843. Growth continued in spite of the Great Fires of 1849 and 1904. The new city included an extensive network of roads, railways, canals, shipping, and telegraph lines.
	In 1867, Canada was born, and Toronto became the capital of the newly created province of Ontario.
Books	Canada by Jan Morris – there's a perceptive essay on Toronto. Frommer's Toronto 2010
1000 Places to see	Art Gallery of Ontario
before you die	Four Seasons Hotel
	Royal Ontario Museum
	Hockey Hall of Fame
	Toronto International Film Festival
Must Sees	CN Tower; neighbourhoods; theatre, Toronto Islands

SPORTS ACTIVITIES	Toronto has more major league teams than any other Canadian city – even if they are not performing too well these days!
	Baseball: Blue Jays;
	Basketball: Raptors;
	Football: Argos;
	Hockey: Maple Leafs;
	Lacrosse: Toronto Rock;
	Soccer: Toronto FC.
	There's also horse racing, boating, sailing, canoeing, inline skating, rock climbing, golf, cross country skiingand more
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	Bills in Toronto at the Rogers Centre: The NFL is coming to Canada
	in full force. The Buffalo Bills bring NFL Football to the Rogers Centre
	for eight games over the next five years. In 2010 the games are the
	Colts on August 19 th and the Bears on October 7 th and prices start from



	just \$65. www.billsintoronto.com
Golf	Toronto and its surrounding area is a golfer's dream. There are unique doglegs, island greens -and yes, sand traps - just waiting to be conquered at over 100 highly rated courses within a short drive from
	downtown. Choose from either the Legends or Masters course at
	Lionhead in Mississauga, or head north to Aurora to walk all 7,304
	yards of St. Andrews Valley. Or face the challenges of Glen Abbey and Angus Glen, both of which have hosted the Canadian Open (Canada's
	PGA tour event). Before you head out, be sure to get some practice in
	at the driving range at the Docks
Fishing	Cast your line into Lake Ontario for some of the best fishing in Canada. For an adrenaline - fuelled outdoor adventure, book the Fin-natic fishing charter with all the latest fishing technology and equipment.
	Andrews Charter: Andrews Charter can provide experienced crew, full catering and two luxury yachts at competitive rates. Their boats, the "What's Next' (45') and 'Last One III' (52') are the largest available for charter in the area and can accommodate groups of 8 to 28 people. Each boat is fully equipped for Lake Ontario salmon fishing. Andrews Charter is the longest established charter boat company in the Toronto area, having provided charters for over 30 years. Charters depart from Port Credit, Mississauga, close to Toronto. Pickup from Toronto can be arranged. Website: www.andrewscharter.ca
Hiking	The ravines in Toronto are wonderful places to escape the city without leaving the city – quiet havens of peace and shade where I have encountered white tailed deer, foxes and coyotes.
	City of Toronto Parks feature Discovery Walks which are a series of free self-guided walks that link the city ravines, parks, gardens, beaches and neighbourhoods. Informative signage will help you experience an area's heritage and environment. For more information, go to: www.toronto.ca/parks/recreation_facilities/discovery_walks/discover_in_dex.htm
	The Martin Goodman Trail in Toronto is at the heart of the 350 km Lake Ontario Waterfront trail. The Toronto stretch known as the Martin Goodman trail provides a leisurely or intense trek from the Eastern Beaches to the Western Beaches. You can also go well beyond those borders towards Mississauga (to the west) or Scarborough (to the east). Most the Toronto portion of the path is uninterrupted and well-marked making it perfect and safe for cycling, inline skating, walking, or jogging.
Cycling	With biking trails through most of the city's parks and more than 29km of street bike routes, it's not surprising that Toronto has been called one of the best cycling cities in North America. Favorite pathways include the



	Martin Goodman Trail (from the Beaches to the Humber River along the waterfront); the Lower Don Valley bike trail (from the east end of the city north to Riverdale Park); High Park (with winding trails over 160 hectares); and the Toronto Islands, where bikers ride freely, without fear of cars.
Skating	Skating in winter at City Hall and Harbourfront: Toronto's holiday postcard experience – skating at these two iconic outdoor rinks is completed with music and rink-side hot chocolate. Both rinks have skate rental on site.

CULTURE	See the Canadian Opera Company at the new Four Seasons Centre
Theatre	Cats (May 25 – May 30 2010)
	Canon Theatre
	There's no better way to introduce your family to the wonders of live theatre than with the magic, the mystery, the memory of CATS. What began as a musical about cats after Andrew Lloyd Webber picked up a book of poems in an airport bookshop has become one of the longest
	running shows in Broadway's history. Winner of seven Tony Awards including Best Musical, CATS features 20 of Andrew Lloyd Webber's timeless melodies, including the hit song, "Memory."
	Fiddler on the Roof (June 8 – June 13 2010) Canon Theatre
	This Tony-winning musical that has captured the hearts of people all over the world with its universal appeal, makes a return engagement to Toronto. Join in some of the greatest and most loved songs of musical theatre history - the poignant Sunrise, Sunset, the rousing If I Were a Rich Man, the exuberant Matchmaker, Matchmaker and the triumphant Tradition as this great masterpiece returns to us, in the midst of a new millennium, in a world fraught with anxiety and fear, with its message of hope and celebration of life.
	Rock of Ages (tickets available through Sept 2010) Royal Alexandra Theatre 1987: small town girl and big city rocker fall in love to the greatest rock hits of the '80s. Even if you don't like the '80s and its music, you'll find this a great night out, but if you go into the evening with a fondness for Whitesnake, Journey and their ilk, then you'll probably think the whole thing is totally rad. www.mirvish.com
	Jersey Boys (to Sept 12, 2010)
	Toronto Centre for the Arts
	This is the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons: Frankie Valli,



Bob Gaudio, Tommy DeVito and Nick Massi. This is the story of how a group of blue-collar boys from the wrong side of the tracks became one of the biggest American pop music sensations of all time. They wrote their own songs, invented their own sounds and sold 175 million records worldwide - all before they were thirty. The musical features such Four Seasons' hits as "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Walk Like A Man," "Oh What a Night" and "Can't Take My Eyes Off You www.dancaptickets.com

Miss Saigon (July 9 - August 1, 2010)

Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts

A modern interpretation of Puccini's Madame Butterfly, creators Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schönberg (Les Misérables) were first inspired by a photo of a Vietnamese mother leaving her daughter at a departure gate for a plane headed to the United States, and, presumably, a better life. The idea of a mother's ultimate sacrifice is a central theme in Miss Saigon. This award-winning musical sensation is one of the most stunning Broadway productions of all time. Set in 1975 during the final days of the American occupation of Saigon, it is an epic love story about the relationship between an American GI and a young Vietnamese woman. This powerful musical features show stopping hits "The Movie in My Mind," "I Still Believe," "Why God Why" and "The American Dream".

South Pacific (Aug 12 - Sept 5, 2010)

Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts

South Pacific swept the 2008 Tony Awards, winning seven honours including Best Musical Revival and Best Director. Set on a tropical island during World War II, the musical tells the sweeping romantic story of two couples and how their happiness is threatened by the realities of war and by their own prejudices. This lavish new production features a cast of 34 and a full orchestra of 26 members - the largest orchestra of any touring Broadway production. The beloved score's songs include "Some Enchanted Evening," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair," "This Nearly Was Mine" and "There is Nothin' Like a Dame".

Music

The music scene in Toronto is vibrant, with big names like the Rolling Stones, Paul McCartney, Elton John and The Who making regular appearances.

Roy Thomson Hall: at 60 Simcoe St. in Toronto is Canada's premier concert hall, presenting top international performers and it's home to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Toronto Mendelssohn Choir and Toronto International Film Festival Gala screenings.

Website: www.roythomson.com



	Massey Hall: 178 Victoria St. Toronto - The 'grande dame' of local music halls has been part of Toronto's music history since 1894. Programming includes pop, rock, classical and contemporary music. Website: www.MasseyHall.com
	Opera: One of the largest arts organizations in Canada, and among the top ten opera producers in North America. Internationally acclaimed as one of the continent's most innovative performing arts companies. Performances at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, 145 Queen W., 416-363-8231 Website: www.coc.ca
	Sunday Serenades , held from July 11 to August 22, 2010 are free and feature the very best swing, big band and jazz acts to compliment Toronto's warm summer evenings. They run on Sunday evenings at Mel Lastman Square. www.toronto.ca
Films	On any given day, there are up to 40 productions filming in Toronto. Considered "Hollywood North" by the film industry, Toronto is 3rd in TV and film production and 2nd as exporter of TV programming in North America. Some of the films shot in Toronto: Chicago; X-Men; My Big Fat Greek Wedding; Cinderella Man; Moonstruck; and many more
Museums	There are 125 museums and public archives in the Greater Toronto Area; here are some of the stars -
	Royal Ontario Museum (ROM) - No trip to Toronto is complete without a visit to Canada's leading international Museum. Located in the heart of downtown, the ROM's renowned collections span both World Cultures and Natural History. Ten glorious new galleries are now open for you to explore featuring the art and archaeology of China, Japan, Korea and Canada's First Peoples. www.rom.on.ca
	The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army: In 1974, farmers in northern China accidentally unearthed fragments of a terracotta figure - the first evidence of what would turn out to be one of the greatest archaeological finds in history. The terracotta army pits of the Warrior Emperor Ying Zheng.
	The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army premieres at the ROM and runs from June 26 to January 2, 2011 . The exhibition showcases artifacts from the tomb complex of China's First Emperor - the largest tomb complex in China, and possibly the world. Buried 2,200 years ago in what is now China's northern Shaanxi province, the First Emperor surrounded himself with nearly 8,000 full sized terracotta warriors and horses in magnificent military formations,



along with many other artifacts, in preparation for the afterlife. The warriors are often referenced as the eighth wonder of the world and in 1987 the site was added to the official list of World Heritage Sites by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

Created by the ROM with our partners in China, The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army features the largest collection of artifacts related to the warrior emperor ever displayed in North America, alongside 10 life-sized terracotta figures from the pits of the First Emperor's Terracotta Army. Tracing key moments in history before, during and after the lifetime of Ying Zheng, the ROM is showcasing over 250 artifacts from the first millennium BC, on loan from more than a dozen archaeological institutes and museums in Shaanxi Province. Nearly a third of the artifacts on display have never been shown outside of China, and some have never been publicly displayed anywhere, making the ROM's exhibition a landmark event. Price: \$31

Also: the ROM's **Dinosaur Gallery** returns

Discover the first two permanent galleries of the Michael Lee-Chin Crystal, the James and Louise Temerty Galleries of the Age of Dinosaurs and the Gallery of the Age of Mammals. Together, these awe-inspiring, light-filled new galleries occupy the entire Level 2 of the Lee-Chin Crystal. The prism-shaped galleries of the Age of Dinosaurs and Age of Mammals boast 18-foot high ceilings to accommodate over 750 of the Museum's tallest specimens.

Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO) - With a permanent collection of more than 73,000 works of art, the Art Gallery of Ontario is among the most distinguished art museums in North America The Gallery began an extraordinary chapter when it launched Transformation AGO in 2002. The facelift involved the growth of the permanent collection, an architectural expansion by architect Frank Gehry, strengthening of the museum's endowment resources, enriching visitors' experiences and providing greater access to the full vibrancy of the art museum. www.ago.net

Drama and Desire: Artists and the Theatre: June 19 to Sept 26, 2010 An AGO art experience unlike any other. Featuring artwork inspired by the theatre, presented "on stage" with live performers, full-scale sets and period lighting. See works by Degas, Delacroix and other masters, from the world's greatest museums — including the Tate, MoMA, Musee d'Orsay, Louvre and the Met.

Bata Shoe Museum - Explore the world at your feet through a stunning



	collection of more than 12,000 shoes and related artifacts that span 4,500 years of history in four impressive galleries. A cultural gem in the heart of the city, The Bata Shoe Museum is an internationally-acclaimed institution and architectural treasure. http://www.batashoemuseum.ca
	Also don't miss the Ontario Science Centre and the Gardiner Museum of Ceramics.
Architecture	ROM visitors now have an opportunity to enjoy the pure architectural design of the newly completed Lee-Chin Crystal . This exciting new space is a talking point of the new architecture in Toronto.
	Toronto Architecture Tours
	Guided Walking Tours featuring "Toronto's Cultural Renaissance: Buildings of the 21st Century" and "Skyscrapers of the Financial District" offered three times a week from June 4 to Sept 27. Find out more at www.torontosocietyofarchitects.ca
Festivals & Events	The most authentic way to experience Toronto is through the festivals and events inspired by the cultures within. The 2010 roster of festivals shines a spotlight on every neighbourhood in the region. The prize winner will be able to choose to receive special access to a summer festival going on at the time that they visit From inspiring art during Luminato and souvlaki cravings at the Taste of the Danforth to the colourful costumes of Caribana and schmoozing with the Stars at the Toronto International Film Festival - Toronto has a festival for everyone. And the best thing about them is that they're free!
	Luminato: June 11-20, 2010 Toronto Festival of Arts and Creativity, is an annual celebration of the arts infusing Toronto's stages, streets, and public spaces with theatre, dance, classical and contemporary music, film, literature, visual arts, and design. www.luminato.com
	Taste of the Danforth: Aug 6 – 8, 2010 The Taste of the Danforth festival celebrates the multicultural diversity of Toronto. From mouth-watering Greek cuisine like souvlaki and spanakopita (spinach pie) to Thai, Indian and Cuban fare, this street festival in the heart of Toronto's Greektown satisfies hungry mouths summer after summer. While the festival centres primarily around Greek food and culture, it is a multicultural event open to all and attracts huge crowds. www.tasteofthedanforth.com
	Caribana: July 2010 Caribana hits the streets and stages of Toronto this summer for its 43rd year, featuring events that celebrate the music,



cuisine and arts of the Caribbean region.

Toronto International Film Festival: September 2010 The city will be bustling once again with celebrities and stargazers when the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) rolls into town in September. Familiar Hollywood faces will fill up Toronto for 10 days, along with hundreds of fans hoping to catch a glimpse of their favourite stars. Several Hollywood blockbusters have been featured at this popular festival in the past, including Brokeback Mountain, Walk the Line and Hotel Rwanda.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS (October to April)

The Leafs take the ice for some exciting National Hockey League games at the Air Canada Centre. www.mapleleafs.com

TORONTO RAPTORS (October to April)

The Raptors NBA basketball team hold court at the Air Canada Centre. www.nba.com/raptors

TORONTO BLUE JAYS (April to October)

See the only big league Canadian baseball play at the Rogers Centre http://toronto.bluejays.mlb.com

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL WINTER FAIR (November)

Held on the grounds of the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto, the Royal Winter Fair has "brought the country to the city" since 1922 and has grown into the world's largest indoor agricultural fair.

www.RoyalFair.org

CANADIAN ABORIGINAL FESTIVAL (November)

Ontario's First Nations (mainly Ojibway, Cree and Iroquois heritage) present a variety of traditional and contemporary arts events across the province. The Canadian Aboriginal Festival will be held at Toronto's Rogers Centre (formerly SkyDome). www.CanAb.com

ONE OF A KIND CHRISTMAS CANADIAN CRAFT SHOW AND SALE (Nov/Dec)

Complete your holiday shopping at one of Toronto's most popular shopping expos. You'll find unique gift ideas from over 750 Canadian designers and artisans specializing in fashion, art, crafts and interior decorations. www.oneofakindshow.com

ATTRACTIONS

CN Tower is Canada's National Tower and it defines the Toronto skyline; at 553.33m (1,815 ft., 5 in.) is the world's 2nd tallest building and



Beaches	a Wonder of the Modern World. With breathtaking views from 3 observation levels including the Glass Floor and SkyPod, theatre, rides, arcade, exhibits, shopping and award-winning dining at 360 Restaurant, it's Toronto's most visited attraction. www.cntower.com Cost: Total Tower Experience is \$32.99 (\$20.99 Kids) Ashridges Bay: This is a great park, close enough to the downtown core (just a short streetcar ride away) and the perfect place to spend a summer afternoon. On the beach, you'll see volleyball games going on, families having picnics, couples going for walks along the boardwalk, and lots of people soaking up the sun. It really doesn't feel like you're in the city at all. There's a laid-back vibe and the many independently owned restaurants and shops nearby add to the neighbourhood's easygoing charm. There are also beaches on Toronto Island's south shore.
Wildlife	Toronto Zoo: Canada's premier Zoo offers over 5,000 animals and incredible exhibits including the award winning 30-acre "African Savanna," and the "Gorilla Rainforest", the largest indoor gorilla exhibit in North America and the NEW Great Barrier Reef and 2008 special exhibit, Stingray Bay-A Touching Experience. A must see- "Zellers Discovery Zone" featuring the "Kids Zoo", "Splash Island" and the "Waterside Theatre", home of the Amazing Animal Show (Seasonal). Visit www.torontozoo.com for full details Also, I have seen white tailed deer, fox and coyote in the ravines system in the heart of the city.
Parks	High Park: A 400 acre wilderness park right on the subway system. Enjoy miles of nature trails plus a Trackless Train, Zoo, children's garden, grenadier pond, adventure playground, hillside gardens and a restored 1837 cottage. The Toronto Islands: Take a short ferry ride from downtown Toronto and you will find yourself in a serene, verdant and care-free paradise. With beaches, parkland, biking and hiking paths and ebven an amusement park for the youngsters – there is something for everyone in this green space spread over 14 separate islands.
Gardens	Toronto Botanical Garden - Designed to educate and inspire, Toronto Botanical Garden offers an array of 12 award-winning themed gardens spanning nearly four acres. You'll also find a complete range of innovative indoor and outdoor learning experiences for all ages including programs, garden tours, nature day camps, and an extensive horticultural library. The LEED Silver Certified Building with its energy-efficient sloping green roof showcases environmental sustainability and architectural beauty. Two large event halls flow into open-air courtyards and are ideally suited for weddings and corporate events. Don't forget to visit the garden shop or seasonal café before you



	leave. Admission is free. Website: www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca Riverdale Farm - Wander 7.5 acres of farmland through wooded areas, around ponds, and into butterfly-herb-vegetable-flower gardens. It's the country in the middle of the city.
	Canada Blooms - The Toronto Flower and Garden Show in March each year is the largest annual indoor flower and garden show in Canada. Featuring 6 acres of spectacular gardens, floral arrangements, horticultural displays, educational programs and a marketplace of garden related products.
Castles/Forts	Fort York National Historic Site Visit the site of the 1813 Battle of York and the birthplace of modern Toronto. Fort York is home to Canada's largest collection of original War of 1812 buildings which now house exhibits and restored period room settings. This National Historic site is open year-round and offers seasonal guided tours, musket, drill and music demonstrations – see www.toronto.ca/fortyork for more details.

OTHER ACTIVITIES	
Shopping	Toronto's vibrant sense of community among specific neighbourhoods across the city has created the continent's best street-level shopping. Peruse the windows of Bayview Village, the high-end boutiques of Bloor-Yorkville, the trendsetting shops of Queen West or the neighbourhood stores of Bloor West Village. Dig for amazing vintage finds in Kensington Market or enjoy a variety of distinct uptown shops in the Yonge/Eglington area.
	Toronto also boasts one-of-a-kind shopping adventures. This uniqueness comes to life in places like in Lululemon, a Canadian-based clothier and lifestyle merchant entirely devoted to fashionable yoga wear and accessories, and in Honest Ed's, a Toronto shopping landmark, where the only thing brighter than the illuminated exterior is your opportunity to save a ton of dough.
	For one of the best wine selections in the country, including an extensive vintages section, visit the Summerhill LCBO, the largest liquor store in Canada. World renowned Holt Renfrew is not your typical department store – designer jeans, runway fashions and exclusive labels fill all three floors.
	Malls are also not a-miss, by putting everything in one place, malls offer the best opportunity to get the most stuff in the shortest amount of time. Toronto Eaton Centre is in the heart of the downtown and is filled with



	level upon level of clothes, shoes, music and everything else. In other areas of the city beyond downtown, you'll find more shopping at Yorkdale, Square One and Sherway Gardens . Head to Dixie Outlet Mall for sweet deals or Vaughan Mills for unique stores like Holt Renfrew Last Call and Bass Pro Shops' Outdoor World.
	Shopping beyond downtown
	Great shopping and holiday spirit extends across Greater Toronto from two of Canada's largest malls, Vaughan Mills and Square One, to the truly unique Pacific Mall and the quaint boutiques of Old Town Markham and Unionville. There are even more options further afield, including Cookstown and Canada One outlets.
Markets	St Lawrence Market: Back in 1803, the governor proclaimed the area to be the "market block". Today the south building of St. Lawrence Market, dating from 1905, incorporates one of Toronto's former city halls. It holds more than 50 vendors hawking everything from maple syrup to live mussels. On Saturdays the north building springs to life at five in the morning. Regional farmers start setting out their seasonal produce while it's still dark and everything from emu eggs to apples can be found. See the special feature at the end of these notes for more details.
	Kensington Market: This colorful, lively area should not be missed. You'll hear Caribbean, Portuguese, Italian, and other accents as merchants spread out their wares - squid and crabs in pails; chickens, pigeons, bread, cheese, apples, pears, peppers, ginger, and mangoes from the West Indies; salted fish from Portuguese dories; lace, fabrics, and other colorful remnants. There's no market on Sunday. Kensington Avenue itself is a treasure trove of vintage clothing stores. Admittedly, you'll see a lot of junk here, but amazing finds can be had at shops such as Courage My Love (14 Kensington Ave.). Most of the shops display their wares out of doors in decent weather, adding to the color and charm of the area
Nightlife	Queen Street West is the most happening area currently. Spacious and edgy with maverick touches, the newest addition to Toronto's nightlife is Tattoo Rock Parlour, the city's only live rock n' roll and DJ venue equipped with a resident tattoo shop. Featuring a fireplace, stage for live music and upper level that holds two bars, Tattoo Rock Parlour will amuse the senses of even the most bona fide rock star. For more information visit www.tattoorockparlour.com
Casinos	At Niagara (90 minutes away) and Casino Rama, near Orillia, a similar distance to the north.



CUISINE	
Food	Every cuisine under the sun; "Winterlicious" and "Summerlicious" food festivals are very cost effective ways of eating your way around Toronto!
Wine	Ontario's vineyards are 60 minutes away on the Niagara Peninsula – see the Destination file on Ontario's Wine Country on this website for full details at: http://www.chrisrobinsontravelshow.ca/destinations.asp?destination=on tario_wine
Restaurants	Dining out is nothing short of a passion in Toronto. It's not that residents are too lazy to cook, but we are spoiled by the embarrassment of edible riches in all parts of the city.
	The city is a restaurant-goer's nirvana for a wealth of reasons. For starters, there are more than 7,000 places to choose among. They represent cooking styles from any country or nationality you can name, making Toronto's culinary scene both eclectic and palate-teasing. Eating out is also remarkably affordable: While the most expensive restaurants have broken the C\$50-an-entrée mark, there are many, many reasonably priced options that offer inventive cooking and attentive service.
	Mediterranean and Asian cuisines dominate the scene - and often appear on the same plate. Fusion cooking caught on big here and has never lost its steam. Many restaurants that started out as, say, Italian have incorporated ingredients and cooking styles from Southeast Asia and North Africa, among other haute spots. Each wave of immigration has carried new ideas and flavors.
	While restaurants of all descriptions are found across the city, certain neighborhoods are renowned for their specialties: Little Italy for its trattorias, Chinatown for its Chinese and Vietnamese eateries, and the Danforth for its Greek tavernas. King Street West has unexpectedly become a magnet for gourmets in the past couple of years, offering a bevy of bistros and boîtes.
	In coordination with the dramatic Michael Lee-Chin Crystal addition to the Royal Ontario Museum, Crystal Five (C5) Restaurant Lounge is on the fifth floor. Located at the pinnacle of the Michael Lee-Chin Crystal, Crystal Five is a unique dining destination. Using local and artisanal ingredients, menu items can be paired with wines from the international and regional wine list. For more information visit www.rom.on.ca



Exceptional **'ONE'** restaurant by international chef Mark McEwan is open at the new five star Hazelton Hotel, offering elegant dining in a sea of smoked glass, beautiful cowhide, and boldly striped tiger-eye onyx. Modern North American cuisine delights and surprises the senses with contemporary flourishes. Take advantage of special catering services within the Silver Screening Room and dining rooms or have meals served in a room/suite. 'ONE' features one of the largest street-level patios in the Yorkville area, the perfect spot to sip a coffee for the afternoon and watch as pedestrians stroll by or shop in the area's upscale boutiques. www.thehazeltonhotel.com

Located at Queen's Quay, Toronto's laid back waterfront neighbourhood, the newest **Shoeless Joe's Restaurant** brings all the sports action on dozens of screens to the water's edge. For more information visit www.shoelessjoes.ca

A must-visit steak house of Toronto and Mississauga, **Ruth's Chris Steak House** has launched Canada's first year-round, complimentary Shuttle service offering free door-to-door transportation to and from each location to area hotels and entertainment venues. For more information visit www.ruthschris.ca

Sassafraz is once again the heart of the posh Yorkville area of Toronto, having reopened after fire destroyed most of the building. The new Sassafraz features chef Bradley MacDonald's newly revamped menu of contemporary Canadian dishes based in French cuisine, a 20-foot indoor vertical garden and a new rooftop patio that brings seating capacity to 350. Described as the centre of where all the excitement happens, the celebrity destination is open until 2 a.m. For more information visit www.sassafraz.ca

And finally a plug for my local pub, **The Rebel House**, at 1068 Yonge Street (close to Rosedale subway station) which serves gastropub fare of high quality and always has interesting beers on tap. Who knows? I may see you there!

MORE INFO	
Brochures	TO Visitor Guide – also available online
Website	www.torontotourism.com

CURRENT DEALS	Toronto Tourism has a great deal on their website currently as at June
	2010: Stay 2 nights and get the 3rd night free
	New for 2010, they are offering some of the hottest tickets in town and,
	as an added bonus when you book 2 nights, the 3rd night is free. So,



	make that a long weekendThis package includes:
	Hotel accommodation
	15% off purchases at The Bay (Queen & Bloor Street locations)
	Your choice of tickets to Honda Indy Toronto, City Pass, Canada's
	Wonderland, Rock of Ages, Jersey Boys, Royal Ontario Museum
	(featuring: The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army) or
	Ontario Science Centre (featuring: Harry Potter: The Exhibition)
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	See <u>www.reservations.torontotourism.com/BBPackages.asp</u> for this
	and other hot deals.
DEDCONAL	I have lived in Taranta for 45 years and as fact as I visit the sights resur-
PERSONAL	I have lived in Toronto for 15 years and as fast as I visit the sights, more
EXPERIENCES	new ones are created!
MIDVIOLI	The colors of th
MIRVISH	Mirvish Productions owns and operates four magnificent theatres in
	downtown Toronto - the Royal Alexandra, the Princess of Wales, the
	Canon and the Panasonic - each offering its patrons a unique
	theatre-going experience.
	Mirvish Productions have some great summer shows lined up: "Rock
	of Ages", "Legally Blonde", "Rain" and "How Now Mrs Brown
	Cow".
LEGALLY BLONDE	July 7, 2010 to August 8, 2010
	Location: Princess of Wales Theatre
	www.mirvish.com/shows/legallyblonde
	Sorority star Elle Woods doesn't take "no" for an answer. When her
	boyfriend dumps her for someone more "serious", Elle puts down the
	credit card, hits the books, and sets out to go where no Delta Nu sister
	has ever gone before: Harvard Law. Along the way, Elle proves that
	being true to yourself never goes out of style. In its first year on
	Broadway, Legally Blonde The Musical earned seven 2007 Tony Award
	nominations, ten 2007 Drama Desk Award nominations and a 2007
	Outer Critics' Circle Award plus the Actors' Equity Association's first
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	ever ACCA Award. The musical also ranked in the top ten list of the
DOCK OF ACES	most requested Ticketmaster "Arts & Theatre Events" for 2007.
ROCK OF AGES	April 20, 2010 to September 5, 2010
	Location: Royal Alexandra Theatre
	www.mirvish.com
	In 1987, on the Sunset Strip, a small town girl meets a big city rocker
	and, in LA's most famous rock club, they fall in love to the greatest
	songs of the '80s. It's ROCK OF AGES, an arena-rock love story told
	through the mind-blowing, face-melting hits of Journey, Foreigner, Styx,
	Reo Speedwagon, Pat Benatar, Twisted Sister, Poison, Asia,
	Whitesnake and many more. Nominated for five Tony awards, including
	Best Musical, ROCK OF AGES took Broadway by storm when it opened
	at the Brooks Atkinson Theatre in April 2009.



RAIN: A TRIBUTE TO	July 10, to August 1, 2010
THE BEATLES	Location: Canon Theatre
	From Ed Sullivan to Abbey RoadThey look like them and they sound
	just like them. All the music and vocals are performed totally live. RAIN
	covers the Fab Four from their earliest beginnings through the
	psychedelic late '60s and their long-haired hippie, hard-rocking rooftop
	days. RAIN is a multi-media, multi-dimensional experience a fusion of
	historical footage and hilarious television commercials from the 1960s
	lights up video screens and live cameras zoom in for close-ups. Sing
	along with your family and friends to such Beatlemaniac favorites as Let
	It Be, Hey Jude, While My Guitar Gently Weeps, Come Together and
	Can't Buy Me Love.
HOW NOW MRS	August 17, 2010 to August 21, 2010
BROWN COW!	Location: Canon Theatre
	Brendan O'Carroll's hilarious and madcap world of Dublin's most
	popular family is in its North American premiere. O'Carroll created Mrs.
	Agnes Brown, a Dublin mother of six whose hobbies include drinking,
	tea, bingo and meddling, for a programme on Irish radio in 1990.
	Originally scheduled to run daily for two weeks, the programme ran for
	three years and 500-plus episodes. Dublin's prisoners even asked to be
	locked up early so they could hear the afternoon show! The radio series
	was adapted into the stage plays, which have toured around Ireland
	dozens of times and made the voyage across the Irish Sea to conquer
	England with similar immense success. Four plays with sales of more
	than 25 million pounds at the UK box office later, plus three books, a
	top-grossing film and five number-one videos, HOW NOW MRS.
	BROWN COW is the latest installment of the Mrs. Brown series.
	www.mrsbrownsboys.com
COMING SOON	WICKED, the smash-hit musical, will return to Toronto, to the Canon
	Theatre, October 20 through November 28 2010.
	Billy Elliot The Musical begins February 2011, thrilling audiences
	worldwide and winning ten 2009 Tony Awards including Best Musical.
	The Lion King at the Princess of Wales Theatre returns April 19 – May
	22, 2011.
MIRVISH	Mirvish Productions is a Canadian theatre management and production
PRODUCTIONS	company, based in Toronto, founded by David Mirvish in 1987.
	David's father, Ed Mirvish, had made headlines in 1963 when he
	purchased and saved from demolition Toronto's historic Royal
	Alexandra Theatre, one of the oldest and most famous legitimate
	theatres in North America. For the next 24 years, Ed Mirvish operated
	the Royal Alexandra - as it had been operated for most of its history -
	primarily as a "road house", staging short-run touring productions from
	London and New York and renting the space to local theatre groups, the
	Canadian Opera Co. and the National Ballet.



In 1987, David Mirvish assumed the responsibility for the family's theatrical interests and created Mirvish Productions for the purpose of producing original plays and musicals, employing Canadian talent, for the Royal Alexandra's stage, as well as co-producing with such regional Canadian theatres as the Stratford Festival, the Shaw Festival, the Manitoba Theatre Centre and the Citadel Theatre and bringing their works to Toronto.

Among the notable early Mirvish-produced and co-produced shows seen at the Royal Alexandra were Brian Macdonald's acclaimed staging of Gilbert and Sullivan's H.M.S. Pinafore; the world tour of the English Shakespeare Company's Henry IV and Henry V; Sweet Bird of Youth, with Joanne Woodward; Spoils of War, with Kate Nelligan (in her first Canadian stage appearance); Dry Lips Oughta Move to Kapuskasing, the first native Canadian play to receive a major commercial production in Canada; the world premiere musical Jane Eyre, which subsequently moved to Broadway; and the wildly popular Toronto production and national tours of Les Misérables.

In 1991, in response to increased ticket demand, Mirvish Productions established a subsidiary company, TicketKing, to act as a ticketing agent and provide a telephone sales service to complement the theatre ticket window. TicketKing has subsequently evolved into an online sales service, providing an internet box office not only to Mirvish Productions, but to many smaller Toronto theatre companies, as well.

In 1993, Mirvish Productions took over responsibility for a second Toronto theatre when Ed and David Mirvish built the Princess of Wales, a luxurious 2000-seat venue two blocks to the west of the Royal Alexandra (and the first privately financed legitimate theatre to be built in North America in more than 30 years). The Princess of Wales opened in 1993 with the box office record-breaking Mirvish co-production (in partnership with London producer Cameron Mackintosh) of the musical Miss Saigon. The two theatres formed the centre around which Toronto's "Entertainment District" has since grown.

The Mirvish theatre family doubled in size in 2008 when the company purchased two Yonge Street venues, the 2300-seat Canon Theatre (a 1920s vaudeville and motion picture house) and the intimate, new, 700-seat Panasonic Theatre.

Mirvish Productions is, today, Canada's largest commercial theatre production company