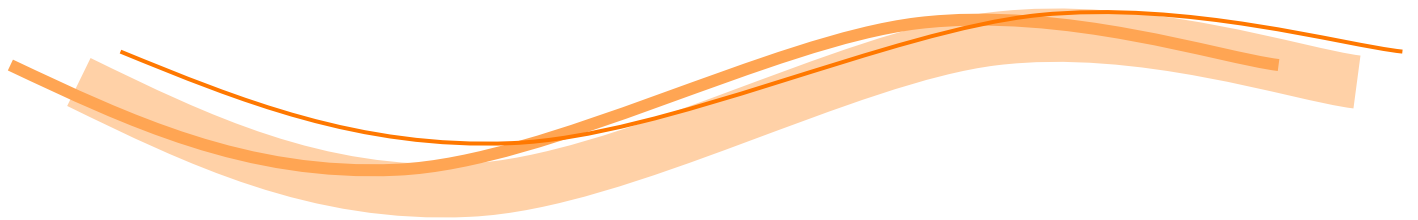




ONTARIO FESTIVALS AND EVENTS





<p>ONTARIO FESTIVALS AND EVENTS</p>	<p>A huge array of diverse festivals and events take place all across the province - and all through the year in Ontario. You can view events by location, type or date on the website at www.OntarioTravel.net .</p>
	<p>Delight in the dazzling array of festivals, events and fairs from world-renowned to unique and local you'll discover year-round in Ontario. Bundle up for a winter carnival and be entranced by beautifully intricate ice sculptures. Witness the drama of history unfolding during authentic battle re-enactments. Attend the theatre and experience the excitement of a Broadway musical or enjoy the intimacy of an avant-garde fringe festival. Pay homage to the "King" at an annual Elvis Festival. Come harvest time, the land is filled with fall fairs where you can lose yourself in a corn maze and watch world records tumble at a monster pumpkinfest. In Ontario, you'll find over 3,000 festivals and fairs for every season and every reason.</p> <p>Celebrate the Seasons Design your own scarecrow at a harvest festival, challenge yourself in a winter carnival snowshoe race and enchant your senses with a bounty of vibrant springtime blossoms. Come to Ontario where there's always something to celebrate.</p> <p>Summer: Get caught up in the Canada Day festivities and fireworks that greet the summer on July 1st. Sink your teeth into fresh corn at a cornfest or savour the succulent nectar at a strawberry festival. Bask in the fun and sun of many waterfront festivals and regattas, outdoor fairs and concerts throughout the summer months. Reconnect with your loved ones during the National Fishing Week and go on a family fishing trip. Or take in the history and excitement of Ontario's Bush Plane Days in the Sault Ste Marie, home of the Canadian Bushplane Museum.</p> <p>Fall: Rural Ontario marks harvest time with fall fairs that invite you to share in this rich bounty. Visit Port Elgin's Pumpkinfest and check out an underwater pumpkin-carving contest. Scoop up delicious berries at the Bala Cranberry Festival. Celebrate the hop and the grape at Kitchener-Waterloo's Oktoberfest and at the Niagara Grape and Wine Festival. Say goodbye to monarch butterflies and hundreds of bird species as they make their way down south through Point Pelee National Park and Presqu'ile Provincial Park. Fairs and festivals are always in season in every corner of Ontario.</p> <p>Celebrate the Arts Stretch out for Shakespeare in the Park. Listen in reverie to a smoldering jazz solo or attend one of the world's great film festivals. Ontario has great heart for the arts. Ontario's celebration of the arts is a year-round</p>

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extravaganza.

Thrill to blockbuster musicals and world class productions at [Mirvish's](#) elegant theatres in Toronto. Enjoy more theatre at the [Shaw Festival](#) in scenic Niagara-on-the-Lake. Revel in authentic Shakespearean drama at the world famous [Stratford Festival](#) or delight in contemporary Canadian theatre at the charming [Blyth Festival](#) in Goderich. In July each year, the [Toronto Fringe Festival](#) offers unforgettable productions in unconventional venues. The warmer weather takes the show outdoors with many performances in the park.

For the musically inclined, Ontario is a magnet with a rich variety of musical styles for every taste. Be transported by the [Toronto Symphony Orchestra](#). Stretch out on the grass at Owen Sound's [Celtic Festival](#), take in Parry Sound's [Festival of the Sound](#) or get lost in the free-form meandering of a sax solo at the [Toronto Downtown Jazz Festival](#).

Discover the treasure trove of art that is showcased in galleries large and small throughout the province. Indulge your passion in the avant-garde or the old masters. Explore works by First Nations artists at the [Thunder Bay Art Gallery](#) or visit the [Art Gallery of Hamilton](#) for a fantastic perspective of nineteenth-century French art.

Film buffs converge once again in Ontario this year for the [Toronto International Film Festival](#) while the best in the business show off their latest masterpieces.

In matters of the arts, Ontario caters to fans and aficionados alike.

Celebrate the Sporting Life

Do the wave with 20,000 cheering fans at a major league game, thrill to the Grand Prix of Toronto race or compete in a local fishing derby. Whatever your game, Ontario has it. Ontario is a haven for those who love major league sports action and you'll find it here all year round. See two of the most storied franchises in the National Hockey League (NHL) as the Toronto Maple Leafs and Ottawa Senators make their runs for the Stanley Cup.

Take the family out to the ballgame and see the Blue Jays swing for the bleachers.

Just an alley-oop away you can watch the National Basketball League's (NBA) Toronto Raptors play hot hoops.

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Catch Canadian Football League (CFL) games in Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa or cheer the rough-and-tumble action of championship lacrosse.

Fans of more genteel pursuits will find the biggest names in golf at Oakville's Glen Abbey Golf Course or watch the world's top-ranked player hold court at the Tennis Masters Championships in Toronto.

Thrill to the thunder of high-performance racing machines at the Grand Prix of Toronto.

Test your own competitive fires on-road or off in a bicycle race, push your limits in a local triathlon or challenge yourself and the elements in a snowmobile rally. Hike up the hip-waders and showcase your casting skill at the Saugeen River Fly Fishing Classic.

Whether you're a player or a spectator, Ontario is a great arena for sports fans.

Celebrate Heritage and Culture

Experience the pageantry of an Aboriginal Pow Wow or the Celtic flavour of the Highland Games. Sway to the steel drums of North America's largest Caribbean Festival. Come celebrate Ontario's unique and diverse heritage. Marvel at the insides of some of Ontario's most intriguing buildings and architectural wonders at the annual Doors Open Toronto Festival and all across the province for free each year in May. From castles to car showrooms to Black Creek Pioneer Village, Doors Open is a classic urban adventure brought to you by the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Discover the colourful traditions of the First Nations people in the songs, dance and pageantry of the Canadian Aboriginal Festival.

History buffs can witness the past unfold at faithful re-enactments of War of 1812 battles or enjoy the stirring military music and spectacle at Fort Henry's famous Sunset Ceremonies.

Spend an afternoon in the 19th century at a pioneer village and see first hand the adventures and challenges faced by early settlers. The plaintive skirl of the pipes beckons you to the highland games in Kincardine and a dozen other Scottish communities in Ontario.

Experience the world in one place at the International Villages Festival in Brantford where the community's proud multicultural heritage is celebrated with food, fun and great family entertainment.

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Take a culinary tour of the world at Toronto's Caravan, an annual festival that celebrates the ethnic mosaic of what the United Nations called "the world's most multicultural city." Mid-summer, it's party central at the Caribana, North America's largest Caribbean Festival, where the colourful atmosphere is electric.

Summer Festivals

Ontario is absolutely bursting with fun summer festivals to suit every fancy. Here are some favourites that continue to fascinate and captivate people from all over the world every year. Ontario is a favourite destination of festival-goers thanks to the wide range of events and celebrations that reflect its great cultural breadth and diversity. Whether you're a fan of the arts, sports, history or just plain having fun, Ontario has a special event to find your favour this summer.

Grand River Champion of Champions Pow Wow

Join the Six Nations of the Grand River at Ohsweken near Brantford as they gather to celebrate their vibrant culture through song, dance and drumming. Everyone is invited to share the experience on the last weekend of July. Come sample traditional Aboriginal foods, discover colourful crafts and watch the best Aboriginal dancers from across North America participate in a championship competition.

Parry Sound Festival of the Sound

Three weeks of classical musical and contemporary jazz in July and August set on picturesque Georgian Bay - there's nothing like it anywhere in the world. Enjoy Handel by the Bay or a baroque concert on an island. Listen in on an open rehearsal by a world-class ensemble. From festival halls to churches to spectacular lake cruises - there's musical magic heard on the docks of the bay.

Grand Prix of Toronto

Watch CART superstars match wits and machines in one of auto racing's premier events, in early-July. Witness thundering wheel-to-wheel action through the streets of Toronto hitting speeds of 368 km/h (230 mph). Visit "Thunder Alley" and try your hand at a racing simulator or catch some behind-the-scenes action at the "Paddock" (garage) where you can watch the drivers checking out their equipment.

Great Rendezvous at Fort William Historical Park

Journey back to the 19th century at Fort William Historical Park - The world's largest reconstructed fur trade post. Greet the rough-and-ready Voyageurs as they arrive in canoes laden with beaver pelts. In July, this

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living history museum in Thunder Bay faithfully recreates the North West Company's Great Rendezvous that took place annually from 1803-1821.

Kingston Buskers Rendezvous

In Kingston come mid-July, the street becomes the stage. Here you can watch an incredible diversity of street performers that will amaze, delight, confound, inspire and above all, entertain you. Stroll around this historic "Limestone City" and see fire eaters, musicians, jugglers and clowns put on unforgettable street shows for the young and the young-at-heart.

The Elora Festival

Come experience a "Celebration in Song" in the charming surroundings of the heritage village of Elora. This event offers the best in choral, classical, jazz and popular music performed in warm, informal venues. Enjoy the magnificent acoustics of the Gambrel Barn, an open-rafter wood barn that provides the audience with a unique and memorable listening experience.

Caribana Festival

Canada's largest city plays host to this exuberant celebration featuring boisterous steel bands, King and Queen of the band contests and musical ferry cruises. It all culminates in the brilliant costumes and infectious music of the spectacular Caribana parade. Held in mid-summer in Toronto, North America's largest Caribbean festival is an invitation for all to "get down."

Wiwemikong Pow Wow

Hospitality is a vital ingredient of every Pow Wow, which helps explain why the annual gathering on Manitoulin Island at the Wiwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve is Central Canada's largest and longest running Pow Wow. Come join the drummers, dancers, chanters and singers who journey here from all points of the compass to celebrate Aboriginal traditions on the first weekend of August.

Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games

Fergus, a charming town on the Grand River celebrates its Scottish roots every August with a gathering of the clans. Hear the emotional skirl of the pipe bands and watch Highland dancers perform their ancient steps. Watch the sheer strength of athletes in kilts competing in the traditional caber toss, hammer throw and tug-of-war. Don't leave before witnessing the music, pomp and circumstance of the evening tattoo.

Canadian National Exhibition (CNE)

The CNE, affectionately called the "Ex" by locals, has delighted, thrilled

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	<p>and captivated kids and adults since 1879. Discover exhibits and heritage festivals. Watch dazzling demonstrations including one of the world's greatest air shows. And of course, experience the raucous carnie atmosphere of the midway filled with games, amusements and state-of-the-art, terrifying rides. For end-of-the-summer fun, nothing beats the Ex.</p> <p>The Collingwood Music Festival Located in the vibrant town of Collingwood on the shores of Georgian Bay, the Collingwood Music Festival is well known throughout Ontario for its superb classical, world music and jazz performances. A fantastic fan shaped concert hall with amazing acoustics makes for one of the finest performance spaces in Ontario. Concerts take place from early July through to August.</p>
<p>JUNE FESTIVALS</p>	<p>Here's just a small selection of festivals taking place in Ontario in June:</p> <p>2008 Celebrate 150th Anniversary of the 1st Commercial Oil Well Location: Oil Springs Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the discovery oil in Ontario Date: 01-Jan-2008 - 31-Dec-2008 Phone: (519) 834-2939 Toll Free: (800) 265-0316 Fax: (519) 834-2333 E-mail: oilsprings@ciaccess.com Web: www.2008celebrate.com</p> <p>1st Annual Collingwood Spring Antique Show Location: Collingwood 1st Annual Collingwood Spring Antique Show Date: 07-Jun-2008 - 08-Jun-2008 Phone: (519) 599-5017 E-mail: agsa@georgian.net Web: www.bluemountainschamber.ca/artglass</p> <p>3rd Annual Marmora Redneck Demolition Derby Location: Marmora Come out and experience this awesome demolition derby Date: 07-Jun-2008 Phone: (613) 472-1523 E-mail: corywebber43@hotmail.com Web: www.mas-online.org</p>

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	<p>Art in the Park Location: Windsor One of the larger, juried art shows in Ontario. Date: 07-Jun-2008 - 08-Jun-2008 Phone: (519) 253-6382 E-mail: info@rotary1918.com Web: www.rotary1918.com</p> <p>Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Pow Wow Location: Little Current Celebrate life in a kaleidoscope of colourful crafts Date: 07-Jun-2008 - 08-Jun-2008 Phone: (705) 368-2228</p> <p>Bayfield Festival of Song Location: Bayfield Hear some of Canada's finest classical singers, in... Date: 07-Jun-2008 - 08-Jun-2008 Phone: (519) 565-2435 E-mail: ggrant@tcc.on.ca</p> <p>Cambridge Riverfest & Dragon Boat Races Location: Cambridge Come enjoy the dragon boat races on the Grand Rive... Date: 07-Jun-2008 Phone: (519) 740-4681 E-mail: info@cambridgeriverfest.com Web: www.cambridgeriverfest.com</p>
TOP 100 ONTARIO FESTIVALS	<p>The "Top 100 Ontario Festivals" for the period April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 were unveiled at Festivals & Events Ontario's annual conference during the prestigious President's Gala in London, Ontario. A program created by Festivals & Events Ontario (FEO) and sponsored by VIA Rail Canada, the Top 100 Ontario Festivals represent excellence for the province's festivals and community events industry, with events vying annually for inclusion in the "Top 100". The festivals were selected through a nomination process that included a pre-determined set of criteria.</p> <p>There are over three thousand annual festivals and community events staged each year in Ontario, ranging from one-day street fairs to internationally renowned, multi-day celebrations. FEO takes great pride in honouring these top-notch festivals and events currently enjoyed each year by our visitors and residents alike.</p>

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The Top 100 Ontario Festivals are represented in the 2008 Festivals & Events In Ontario Guide. FEO, in partnership with the Ontario Tourism, produces the guide, which has a distribution of 250,000 and a readership of 750,000. For more information, visit www.festivalsandeventsontario.ca or www.ontariotravel.net

Festivals & Events Ontario is the professional association of festival and event organizers from across the province of Ontario with a mission to develop, represent, enhance and promote the Ontario festivals & events industry. The association provides a network for festival and special event organizers to share information and resources. The association is involved with collaborative advocacy, policy development, marketing and providing educational opportunities for members.

A listing of this year's Top 100 Ontario Festivals are shown below, with their location and timings.

COMPANY	CITY	Festival Start	Festival End
Collingwood Music Festival	Collingwood	19-Apr-08	9-Aug-08
Doors Open Ontario	Across Ontario	26-Apr-08	19-Oct-08
Canadian Tulip Festival	Ottawa	2-May-08	19-May-08
Terroir Wine Celebration	Picton	17-May-08	19-May-08
Lilac Celebration	Burlington	17-May-08	25-May-08
Carassauga Festival	Mississauga	23-May-08	25-May-08
Thunder Bay Kite Festival	Thunder Bay	25-May-08	25-May-08
Gregor's Crossing Medieval Faire	Chatham	29-May-08	1-Jun-08
Illuminaqua	Welland	30-May-08	22-Aug-08
Welland Rose Festival	Welland	1-Jun-08	30-Jun-08
Dundas Buskerfest	Dundas	6-Jun-08	8-Jun-08
Burlington's Sound of Music Festival	Burlington	12-Jun-08	15-Jun-08
Mississauga Waterfront Festival	Mississauga	13-Jun-08	15-Jun-08
Carrousel Festival	Windsor	13-Jun-08	29-Jun-08
Canadian International Military Tattoo	Hamilton	14-Jun-08	15-Jun-08
Oshawa Fiesta Week	Oshawa	15-Jun-08	21-Jun-08
White Pine Cultural Festival	Blind River	20-Jun-08	26-Jul-08
4th Annual Italia In Festa	Thorold	20-Jun-08	21-Jun-08
Oakville Waterfront Festival	Oakville	20-Jun-08	22-Jun-08
TD Canada Trust Ottawa International Jazz Festival	Ottawa	20-Jun-08	1-Jul-08
Toronto Pride Week 2008	Toronto	20-Jun-08	29-Jun-08
TD Canada Trust Toronto Jazz Festival	Toronto	20-Jun-08	29-Jun-08
Bikers Reunion	Temiskaming Shores	26-Jun-08	30-Jun-08
Friendship Festival	Fort Erie	27-Jun-08	6-Jul-08
It's Your Festival	Hamilton	27-Jun-08	1-Jul-08
Canada Dry Festival of Fire	Toronto	28-Jun-08	5-Jul-08

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Canada Day Celebration (Ottawa)	Ottawa	1-Jul-08	1-Jul-08
Canada Day Celebrations (Oshawa)	Oshawa	1-Jul-08	1-Jul-08
Caribana Festival & Parade	Toronto	2-Jul-08	2-Aug-08
World Famous Sunset Ceremonies	Kingston	2-Jul-08	27-Aug-08
Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival	Toronto	2-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Cisco Ottawa Bluesfest	Ottawa	3-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Sunfest '08: A Celebration of World Cultures	London	3-Jul-08	6-Jul-08
Northern Lights Festival Boreal	Sudbury	4-Jul-08	6-Jul-08
Porquis Blues Festival	Porquis	4-Jul-08	6-Jul-08
Sarnia Rogers Bayfest	Sarnia	9-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Essex Fun Fest	Essex	10-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition	Toronto	11-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Art of Being Green	Lanark	12-Jul-08	13-Jul-08
Beaches International Jazz Festival	Toronto	18-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
French Dressing Int'l Dragon Boats Festival	Windsor	18-Jul-08	20-Jul-08
Mount Forest 8th Annual Fireworks Festival	Mount Forest	18-Jul-08	20-Jul-08
Rogers Cup 2008	Toronto	19-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Collingwood Elvis Festival	Collingwood	24-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Fergus Truck Show	Fergus	24-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Mattawa Voyageur Days	Mattawa	24-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Hillside Festival	Guelph	25-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Kapuskasing Lumberjack Heritage Festival	Kapuskasing	25-Jul-08	27-Jul-08
Ottawa International Chamber Music Festival	Ottawa	26-Jul-08	9-Aug-08
Rogers Chinese Lantern Festival	Toronto	30-Jul-08	12-Oct-08
Rockhound Gemboree	Bancroft	31-Jul-08	3-Aug-08
Barrie Kempenfest Inc.	Barrie	1-Aug-08	4-Aug-08
Glengarry Highland Games	Maxville	1-Aug-08	2-Aug-08
Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival	Port Colborne	1-Aug-08	4-Aug-08
Simcoe Rotary Friendship Festival	Simcoe	2-Aug-08	4-Aug-08
Kitchener Blues Festival	Kitchener	7-Aug-08	10-Aug-08
Fergus Scottish Festival & Highland Games	Fergus	8-Aug-08	10-Aug-08
Taste of the Danforth	Toronto	8-Aug-08	10-Aug-08
Kingston Sheep Dog Trials	Kingston	8-Aug-08	10-Aug-08
Canadian Redneck Games	Minto	8-Aug-08	10-Aug-08
MuslimFest	Mississauga	9-Aug-08	9-Aug-08
Buckhorn Fine Art Festival	Buckhorn	14-Aug-08	17-Aug-08
SuperEx	Ottawa	14-Aug-08	24-Aug-08
Canadian National Exhibition	Toronto	15-Aug-08	1-Sep-08
Winnie's Hometown Festival	White River	15-Aug-08	17-Aug-08
Anishnawbe Keeshigun	Thunder Bay	16-Aug-08	17-Aug-08
Barrie Fair	Barrie	20-Aug-08	24-Aug-08
Scotiabank Buskerfest	Toronto	21-Aug-08	24-Aug-08
Tecumseh Corn Festival	Tecumseh	21-Aug-08	24-Aug-08
Winona Peach Festival	Winona	22-Aug-08	24-Aug-08

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Shores of Erie International Wine Festival	Amherstburg	4-Sep-08	7-Sep-08
Toronto International Film Festival	Toronto	4-Sep-08	13-Sep-08
Taste of the Kingsway Festival	Etobicoke	5-Sep-08	6-Sep-08
Western Fair	London	5-Sep-08	14-Sep-08
"Come Home To The Country"-Int'l Plowing Match 08	Teeswater	16-Sep-08	20-Sep-08
Niagara Grape & Wine Festival	St. Catharines	19-Sep-08	28-Sep-08
St. George Apple Fest & Craft Show	St. George	19-Sep-08	21-Sep-08
Bushplane Days 2008	Sault Ste. Marie	20-Sep-08	21-Sep-08
Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon	Toronto	28-Sep-08	28-Sep-08
Port Elgin Pumpkinfest	Port Elgin	4-Oct-08	5-Oct-08
Scotiabank Nuit Blanche	Toronto	4-Oct-08	4-Oct-08
Norfolk County Fair & Horse Show	Simcoe	7-Oct-08	13-Oct-08
Ball's Falls Thanksgiving Festival	Jordan	10-Oct-08	13-Oct-08
Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest	Kitchener-Waterloo	10-Oct-08	18-Oct-08
Rockton's World's Fair	Rockton	10-Oct-08	13-Oct-08
Waterford Pumpkin Festival	Waterford	24-Oct-08	26-Oct-08
Royal Agricultural Winter Fair	Toronto	7-Nov-08	16-Nov-08
Winter Festival of Lights	Niagara Falls	8-Nov-08	5-Jan-09
Festival of Northern Lights	Owen Sound	14-Nov-08	4-Jan-09
Calvacade of Lights 2008	Toronto	22-Nov-08	31-Dec-08
Simcoe Christmas Panorama	Simcoe	29-Nov-08	4-Jan-09
Portage Flyer Christmas 2008	Huntsville	20-Dec-08	20-Dec-08
Niagara Icewine Festival 2009	St. Catharines	16-Jan-09	25-Jan-09
WinterCity 2009	Toronto	30-Jan-09	8-Feb-09
Bon Soo Winter Carnival 2009	Sault Ste. Marie	6-Feb-09	15-Feb-09
Winterlude 2009	Ottawa	6-Feb-09	22-Feb-09
Barrie Winterfest & Festival of Ice 2009	Barrie	7-Feb-09	8-Feb-09
Canadian Music Week 2009	Toronto	11-Mar-09	14-Mar-09
Canada Blooms 2009	Toronto	11-Mar-09	15-Mar-09
Maple In The County 2009	Prince Edward County	March, 2009	March, 2009

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<p>ROGERS BAYFEST</p>	<p>Roger's Bayfest is an annual music event that is takes place every July in Sarnia Ontario. Celebrating its 10th Anniversary, the venue takes place along the beautiful Waterfront in Centennial Park featuring an outstanding line up of professional entertainers that will put Sarnia on the rock and roll map as one of the top entertainment venues on this planet!</p> <p>The festival started 10 years ago as a three day festival that brought 6,500 people into Sarnia. Rogers Bayfest is now a 6 day festival with an estimated attendance of 95,000 attending the event.</p> <p>Due to this growth, Bayfest has offered camping to meet the tourism demand. People book their holidays around Bayfest. The All SHOW PASS is popular, as it gives concert goers a ticket to see each show. Sarnia concert goers call Bayfest their second Christmas. "It is all the music groups I want to see in my back yard." Tourist's comments are "It is the most affordable festival we have ever been to" and "It is great having seen top entertainers in such a friendly waterfront setting."</p>
<p>ACM AWARDS</p>	<p>The ACM Awards were recently held in Las Vegas. The Saturday show came out the big winners - congratulations to Rascal Flatts for winning "Top Vocal Group" and Taylor Swift for winning "Top New Female Vocalist".</p>
<p>CONTACT INFO</p>	<p>Telephone: 1-866-450-4474 Email: info@sarniabayfest.com</p>
<p>FESTIVAL STARS</p>	<p>July 6th Bon Jovi July 9th Fergie July 10th Motley Crue July 11th The Black Crowes July 12th Rascal Flatts and Taylor Swift July 13th Big & Rich and Emerson Drive The Rogers Bayfest 2008 Line-up is:</p>
<p>WIN VIP TICKETS</p>	<p>Simply visit http://sarniabayfest.com/?q=emailfriend and tell your friends about Rogers Bayfest 2008. In exchange, your name will be entered in the draw to WIN 2 VIP TICKETS! They are giving away pairs of tickets for each show. The sooner you enter, the better your chances are. For every friend you tell, your name is entered into the draw - the more friends you tell, the greater your chances are.</p>
<p>DID YOU KNOW?</p>	<p>Bayfest has benefited charities and non-profit groups to the tune of over \$400,000? More people will attend Rogers Bayfest in 2008 than even live in the City of Sarnia? (Yes, they come from all over – Canada, The United States and even a number of European countries!)</p>
<p>WHERE TO BUY TICKETS</p>	<p>Ticket information: Ticket price ranges from \$25.00 and up for individual performances and Passes start at \$82.00 depending on the Pass Package. There are</p>

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	licensed areas (19+ where liquor is served) and unlicensed areas (no liquor). Tickets are available online at www.sarniabayfest.com or by phone at 1-866-450-4474.
PRIZE	Two tickets to two shows of the listener's choice and one night's accommodation at the Holiday Inn Sarnia

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<p>ILLUMIN AQUA 2008</p>	<p>IlluminAqua is first of its kind there is no other event like it in Canada. In essence, it's live musical performances set on a floating stage surrounded by fire.</p> <p>Set along the shoreline of the Welland Recreational Waterway. IlluminAqua is truly an international production, melding of fire, water and music on the Welland Recreational Waterway. The event is a blend of art, culture and the elements of fire and water. The waters of the Welland Recreational Waterway are transformed into a magical interactive production of fire on water.</p> <p>The fire pods of IlluminAqua dance, reflect and illuminate the peaceful waters of the Recreational Waterway as residents and visitors alike stroll along the banks of the old Welland Canal.</p> <p>Beginning at sunset and stretching well into the summer night, the tranquil waterway is the perfect place to gather with your family and friends. Set on a floating stage, professional musicians perform a delightful program as the backdrop to the Fires of IlliminAqua. Entertaining the crowds during the concerts and intermissions are fire eaters, stilt walkers, face painters and more.</p> <p>The "Procession of lights" begins at sunset as boats carrying torch lighters move into place. The music begins at 8:30, with the floating fire pods lighting up progressively from the south. A range of different music genres will be part of the IlluninAqua events and the 2008 line-up will be announced on their website at www.illumin aqua.com .</p> <p>All the music will be performed from a floating stage anchored next to the Division Street bridge at Merritt Park. The performance will be heard all the way down to the Merritt Island thanks to speakers set up along the water. A permanent seating structure around a floating moveable stage will transform the Waterway and event into a multiple site setup allowing for commercial and community interaction. Prime seating area is for the ticket holders.</p>
<p>WEBSITES</p>	<p>www.illumin aqua.com www.welland.ca/anniversary</p>
<p>TICKETS</p>	<p>Tickets are \$20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bleacher seating, stage front with premium sound • Direct access to Wine Garden • Private access to restrooms <p>Tickets are available on site or in advance at: www.illumin aqua.com Arrive early for lighting of fire pods. FREE Admission to Grass Seating Areas - bring your blankets & lawn</p>

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	chairs Guaranteed best view and sound: Grand Stand Seating Reserved
DATES	June 27-28 (June 27 Contemporary Classical Orchestra; June 28 Blues and Jazz) July 24, 25, 26 in concert for the City of Welland's 150th Anniversary Celebrations August 22-23, 2008
PRIZE	4 x one night accommodation packages for 2 people (2-June 2- August) at Best Western Rose City Suites 4 x \$50 Gift Certificates for Venice Pizza and Pasta Bar

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<p>ART OF BEING GREEN</p>	<p>Art of Being Green is in its fifth year as a free, weekend festival held in the Village of Lanark, about an hour west of Ottawa. This festival showcases local, provincial and national efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, engages the public on renewable energy issues and explores the significance of adaptation in our everyday lives. The Art of Being Green features include a large exhibit area, vendor trade show, workshops, interactive displays, children’s programs, entertainment, local food and more.</p> <p>The dates are July 11, 12 and 13 and admission is free.</p> <p>Over 80 booths display goods and services that relate to the theme of the event: environmentally-friendly building materials, solar and wind power, alternative heating and cooling methods, hybrid vehicles and lifestyle products are all featured.</p> <p>The workshop series attracts a wide audience also and is designed for interaction with the audience. All topics relate to the theme of the festival. New this year is our partnership with conservation authorities and stewardship councils to present workshops and presentations of specific interest to lake and cottage dwellers. On Sunday, the featured speaker is David Chernushenko, well-known for his presentation called “Living Lightly”.</p> <p>The Art of Being Green provides an opportunity for visitors to pick up information to reduce their energy use and carbon footprint, while also saving money. The festival venue, outside in the Clyde Ball Park in downtown Lanark, includes picnic tables in a shaded area for families to relax. The exhibit area includes booths of interest to all ages. Come and visit the alpacas and see their gentle nature. Taste the difference of fresh locally-produced food and scrumptious home-made cinnamon buns. Take a ride on the Wattman train. Dance the day away to Celtic, jazz, folk, fiddle and home-grown music. Buy a festival t-shirt made of bamboo and learn about the benefits of this sustainable fabric.</p> <p>The Art of Being Green is a community volunteer-driven festival with over 100 community volunteers working on the event. It started as a tourism initiative to bring people to the municipality as well as showcasing many of the environmental initiatives that are being undertaken locally. It has grown over the years and now features exhibitors from across Ontario.</p>
<p>EVENTS</p>	<p>Friday July 11th from 5 to 9 p.m. there are some family-friendly activities, great entertainment, a BBQ hosted by Mayor Fletcher, face painting and horse drawn wagon rides.</p>

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	<p>On Saturday July 12th the parade kicks off the day at 9:30 a.m. and features the Mississippi Mills Pipe Band along with some terrific parade entries all using renewable energy as their source of power. The main festival venue is open from 10 a.m. to 5 pm. on Saturday and continues on Sunday July 13th from 10 a.m. to 4 pm.</p>
WEBSITES	<p>Art of Being Green Festival website: www.artofbeinggreen.com Township of Lanark Highlands website www.lanarkhighlands.ca</p>
CONTACT	<p>Phone 1-800-239-4695 ext 227</p>
ACCOMMODATION	<p>Plan to spend the weekend – there are great B&Bs, campgrounds and cottage accommodations in the area. A full accommodation list can be found on the Art of Being Green website at www.artofbeinggreen.com</p>
ENTERTAINMENT	<p>Musical entertainment is always a big hit at the Art of Being Green. This year we are featuring Chris McKhool, Kate & Hollis and Junkyard Jam. For the younger set, Mary Lambert and Jake the Musician will be a big hit. In addition, the Wattman Train and Little Ray’s Reptiles Birds of Prey show will entertain adults and children alike.</p> <p>Local entertainers that are annual crowd pleasers include The Skirmish, Corkery Road, the Celtic Fiddle Orchestra and Tell Mama. The food service area with locally-produced and organic food is located adjacent to the entertainment tent, presenting a great place to relax and enjoy the entertainment.</p>
LANARK HIGHLANDS	<p>Nestled in the heart of the Ottawa Valley, the Township of Lanark Highlands covers just over 1000 square kilometres. Bordered to the north by Renfrew County and to the west by Frontenac County, Lanark Highlands is situated approximately 15 minutes north of Perth.</p> <p>The year-round population of Lanark Highlands is 5,100 with approximately 6,000 seasonal residents. The Village of Lanark is located right on County Road 511 with easy access from Ottawa, Kingston, Arnprior and Perth.</p> <p>Lanark Highlands is known for its lakes, rivers, forests and clean air. The Mississippi River crosses the municipality from west to east and the Clyde River meanders its way from north to south to meet up with the Mississippi River south of Lanark Village. As its name suggests, Lanark Highlands also offers picturesque vistas of rolling hills and Canadian shield topography, combining with the abundant water bodies to form prime cottage country.</p> <p>The Township of Lanark Highlands has taken a leadership role in sustainable development through initiatives such as the implementation of an Integrated Sustainable Community Plan, the development of a local Household Hazardous Waste Depot and the annual Art of Being</p>

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	<p>Green, a celebration of renewable energy and environmentally-friendly lifestyle choices.</p> <p>Visit the Township of Lanark Highlands website for additional information at www.lanarkhighlands.ca</p>
<p>PRIZE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Via Rail gift certificate for 2 people on VIA 1 Class from Toronto to Ottawa and Return (Friday July 11th and return Sunday July 13th) • Hosted transportation from Ottawa Train Station to Lanark Village and Return • Two nights of accommodation (double occupancy) at Clyde River Retreat B&B (Friday July 11th and Saturday July 12th). Clyde River Retreat B&B is located on the banks of the Clyde River. Your hosts Linda and John will spoil you with their scrumptious breakfasts which can be enjoyed on their deck overlooking the river. Take a dip in the clean water of the Clyde River, make use of the canoe or kayak or stroll on the trails through the wooded acreage. • Two breakfasts provided at Clyde River Retreat B&B (Saturday and Sunday) • Lunch provided on Saturday July 12th with a voucher on the festival grounds • Dinner provided on Saturday July 12th at a local restaurant • Reception Saturday evening Saturday July 12th at Clyde Hall B&B with festival guests, Mayor and Council • Coupon for a large pizza from Lanark Pizzeria • Two Art of Being Green t-shirts (made of bamboo), two cotton Lanark Highlands shopping bags and two Sense the Difference luggage tags.

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