

ARTS IN THE PARKS
ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

2025
EVENTS
GUIDE

DISCOVER ART IN TORONTO PARKS

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TORONTO ARTS FOUNDATION

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ARTS IN THE PARKS IS LOOKING FOR EXTRAORDINARY VOLUNTEERS. HELP US SHOWCASE ARTS IN THE PARKS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

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FOR EVERYONE Art has the power to uplift, bring people together and inspire imagination. That's why we created Arts in the Parks: to bring art to local parks, barrier-free, for everyone to enjoy.

ART OF ALL KINDS Browse through this guide to discover theatre and dance performances, music workshops, movies, festivals and so much more!

NO TICKETS REQUIRED Thanks to our partners and giving community, all events are free to attend with no tickets required. For some workshops, you may be asked to register in advance to secure your spot. Check our website for up-to-date information.

THROUGHOUT THE CITY Toronto has unique neighbourhoods and distinct communities, and Arts in the Parks celebrates this by coming directly to you! Check out our map to discover the areas and parks we'll be in this summer.

LEADING WITH RESPECT Everyone plays a role in making these events enjoyable, including you! Please be respectful to our artists, staff, volunteers and your fellow audience members. Stay on paths and trails, clean up your garbage and leave the park in better shape than how you found it.

NORTH YORK

PARKS & EVENTS BLACK CREEK COMMUNITY FARM / EARL BALES PARK / LEE LIFESON PARK / PARKWAY FOREST PARK / RV BURGESS PARK / WALTER SAUNDERS PARK

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ENSEMBLE JENG YI

THE GOLDFARB GALLERY OF YORK UNIVERSITY

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PARKS & EVENTS AMOS WAITES PARK / FLAGSTAFF PARK / LITTLE AVENUE MEMORIAL PARK / RAYMORE PARK / ROWNTREE MILLS PARK / SUMMERLEA PARK

DANCE TOGETHER FESTIVAL

HERCINIA ARTS COLLECTIVE

PANORPLY THEATRE COLLECTIVE

TORONTO ARTS FOUNDATION BRAEBURN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ARTS ETOBICOKE HERCINIA ARTS COLLECTIVE MAMMALIAN DIVING REFLEX STEPS PUBLIC ART LAKESHORE ARTS THE TWEETATIONS PRESENTS: MONA'S MAGIC HOUR CROSSROADS THEATRE URBANVESSEL

DOWNTOWN

PARKS & EVENTS CHRISTIE PITS PARK / CORKTOWN COMMON / FORT YORK / THE BENTWAY / TORONTO MUSIC GARDEN / VERMONT SQUARE PARK / WITHROW PARK

KAEJA D'DANCE

TORONTO OUTDOOR PICTURE SHOW

DUSK DANCES HARBOURFRONT CENTRE SHAKESPEARE IN THE RUFF THE BENTWAY DANFORTH MOSAIC

PARKS & EVENTS DENTONIA PARK / TAYLOR CREEK PARK

EMOTIONART

SHADOWLAND THEATRE MIKIKI ECHO RAILTON & MONICA GUTIERREZ

SCARBOROUGH

PARKS & EVENTS ALEXMUIR PARK / CEDAR BROOK PARK / GUILD PARK & GARDENS / MILLIKEN PARK / PRAIRIE DRIVE PARK / THOMSON MEMORIAL PARK

WAVELENGTH MUSIC ARTS PROJECTS

NAGATA SHACHU

RECENT PARK FILM FESTIVAL

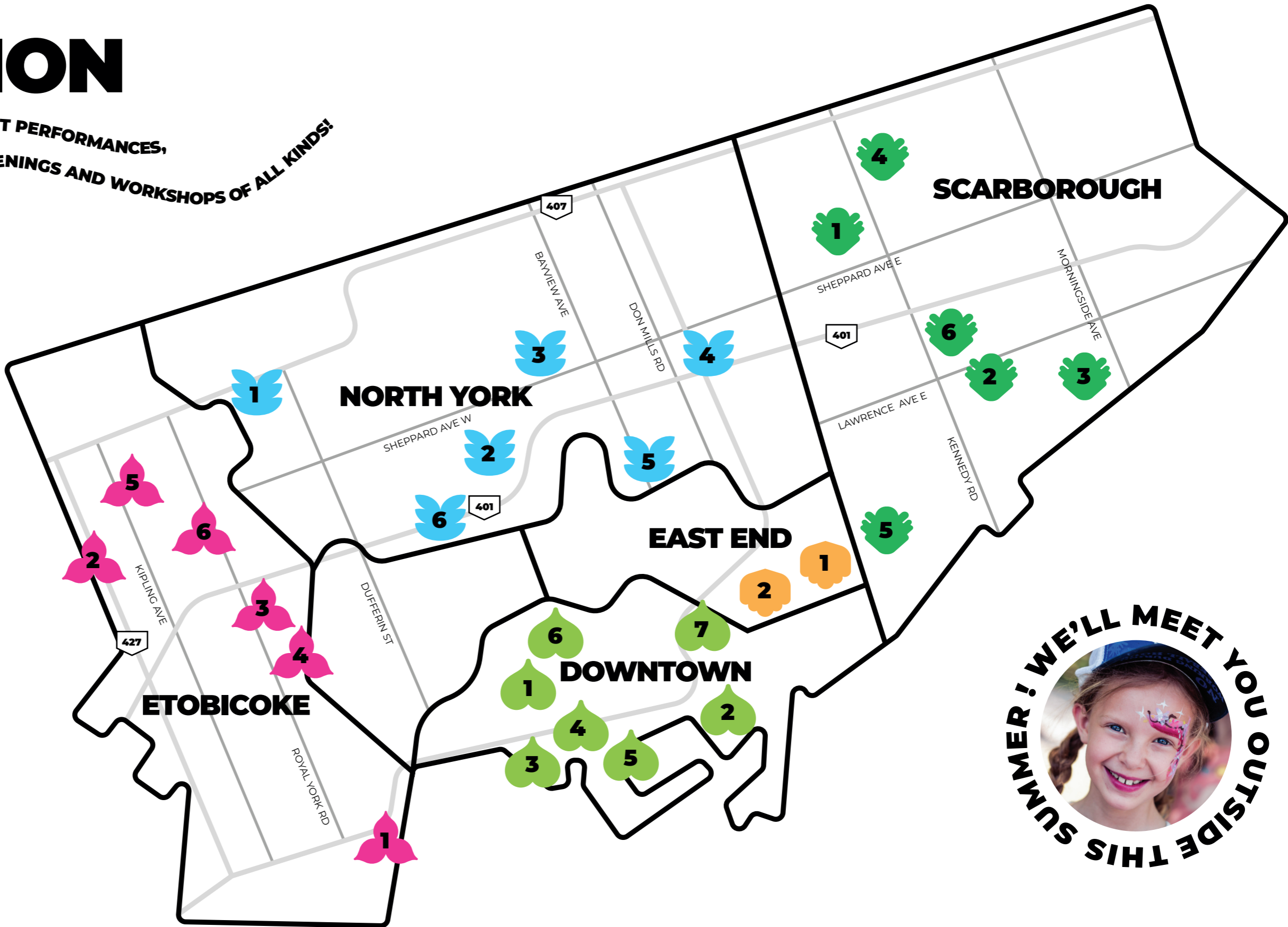
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TENDER POSSIBILITIES FRIENDS OF PARKWAY FOREST PARK GUILD FESTIVAL THEATRE AFRO CARIB FEST

LET YOUR IMAGINATION BLOOM



WITH FUN ART PERFORMANCES,
SCREENINGS AND WORKSHOPS OF ALL KINDS!



EVENT DAYS & START TIMES Some events will be repeated on different days, some work as a series, and some are one-day only

CANCELLATION NOTICES, including if the event is happening rain or shine

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS In some cases, seating is provided. For many events, you're asked to bring your own blanket or chair

WANT TO HOST YOUR OWN ARTS IN THE PARKS EVENT?

Funding is available through Toronto Arts Council: torontoartscouncil.org



NORTH YORK	
1	BLACK CREEK COMMUNITY FARM 4929 Jane St JUL THE GOLDFARB GALLERY AND JANE STREET SPEAKS, ART ON MY MIND Music performance showcase featuring Kibra, New Tradition Music, Sydanie Set by DJ CUR8
2	EARL BALES PARK 4169 Bathurst St AUG GHANAFEST, GHANAFEST Multidisciplinary celebration experience the vibrant tapestry of Ghanaian culture
3	LEE LIFESON PARK 223 Gladys Allison Pl MAY ENSEMBLE JENG YI, THE IRON FLOWER DRUMMERS SUMMER SHOW Music drumming community performance JUN/JUL WILLOWDALE ARTS COLLECTIVE, WILLOWDALE CONCERTS IN THE PARK 2025 Music performances showcasing emerging and established Canadian artists AUG ISMAILOVA THEATRE OF DANCE, KOKSEREK Dance performance + workshops SEPT ROSYLAND: PARK PERFORMANCES & DIY MELODIES Music family-friendly interactive concert series world & history instrument petting zoo create your own recycled instruments TOES FOR DANCE, COMMON GROUND DANCE FESTIVAL Dance interactive workshops for all levels + artist talks + performances intercultural and participatory celebration of movement and community DESCRIBED TORONTO, DESCRIPTION-RICH STORY HOUR Storytelling public art accessible for blind/partially sighted audiences ASL
4	PARKWAY FOREST PARK 80 Parkway Forest Drive JUL/AUG FRIENDS OF PARKWAY FOREST PARK, SPLASH ON EARTH Public art eco-friendly family-friendly painting MILLO DANCE PROJECTS, PARK IN MOTION Dance performance
5	RV BURGESS PARK 46 Thorncliffe Park Drive AUG SHADOWLAND THEATRE, MIGRATION CELEBRATION Community arts + theatre residency + workshops + performance celebrating birds, butterflies and migratory journeys LABYRINTH ONTARIO, MODAL MUSIC IN THE PARK Music international concert series
6	WALTER SAUNDERS MEMORIAL PARK 426 Hopewell Ave JUL DANCE MIGRATION PROJECT, SAMBA IN THE PARK Dance Brazilian arts + culture workshops + performance

ETOBICOKE	
1	AMOS WAITES PARK 2441 Lake Shore Blvd W JUN MAMMALIAN DIVING REFLEX, ENTER THE GORSHEY Interactive performance experience Tibetan culture inspired by the traditional Gorshey dance circle led by youth TORONTO ARTS FOUNDATION, ARTS IN THE PARKS SEASON KICKOFF Performances workshops special event DANCE TOGETHER PROJECT, DANCE TOGETHER FESTIVAL Dance + visual art + music workshops diverse and inclusive celebrating community JUN/SEPT LAKESHORE ARTS, CARRIBEAN AND BACK TO SCHOOL MKRT Workshops family-friendly
2	FLAGSTAFF PARK 42 Mercury Rd AUG HERCINIA ARTS COLLECTIVE, THE FLYING MACHINE Circus performance workshops for all skill levels
3	LITTLE AVENUE MEMORIAL PARK 22 Little Ave JUN PANOPLY THEATRE COLLECTIVE, CLOWNS READING SHAKESPEARE Theatre family-friendly clown JUL THE TWEETATIONS PRESENTS: MONA'S MAGIC HOUR Music theatre interactive performance family-friendly AUG CROSSROADS THEATRE, SUMMER IN THE PARK Theatre community-engaged
4	RAYMORE PARK 93 Raymore Dr JUL URBANVESSEL, TWISTING, TWINING Workshops performances weaving plants & people together
5	ROWNTREE MILLS PARK 155 Rowntree Mill Rd JUL/AUG STEPS PUBLIC ART, FROM WEEDS WE GROW Interdisciplinary community + public art
6	SUMMERLEA PARK 2 Arcot Blvd AUG/SEPT BRAEBURN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ARTS ETOBICOKE, ARTS IN SUMMERLEA PARK Music + multidisciplinary performances + workshops + public art dance + rhythm annual park party

DOWNTOWN	
1	CHRISTIE PITS PARK 750 Bloor St W JUN/AUG TORONTO OUTDOOR PICTURE SHOW Film open-air screenings
2	CORKTOWN COMMON 155 Bayview Ave
3	FORT YORK 250 Fort York Blvd
4	THE BENTWAY 250 Fort York Blvd MAY/SEPT THE BENTWAY, SUN/SHADE Public art a series of art installations throughout the site
5	TORONTO MUSIC GARDEN 479 Queen's Quay W JUN/SEPT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE, SUMMER MUSIC IN THE GARDEN Music concerts intimate live music experience by the waterfront
6	VERMONT SQUARE PARK 819 Palmerston Ave JUL KAEJA D'DANCE, PORCH VIEW DANCES Dance community performances featuring real people dancing in real spaces
7	WITHROW PARK 725 Logan Ave AUG DUSK DANCES, DUSK DANCES 2025 Dance workshops + performances + dance party week-long festival travel through the park at sunset SHAKESPEARE IN THE RUFF, TIFFNY OF ATHENS Theatre performance presenting a high energy and fun Tiff'ny of Athens, a reimagining of Shakespeare's Timon of Athens.
EAST END	
1	DENTONIA PARK 80 Thyra Ave JUN/JUL EMOTIONART, ALEBRIJES IN THE PARKS Create fantastic creatures in paper mache visual art craft workshops AUG SHADOWLAND THEATRE, MIGRATION CELEBRATION Community arts + theatre residency + workshops + performance celebrating birds, butterflies and migratory journeys
2	TAYLOR CREEK PARK 260 Daves Road JUN/JUL MIKIKI, SHADOWLANDS: DRAWING, DARKNESS, AND THE CITY Visual art landscape drawing class + illuminating conversation + light and sound. With special guests JUN/SEPT ECHO RAILTON & MONICA GUTIERREZ, TIES TO NATURE Learn about native plants and pollinators in seeded paper and natural rope workshops family-friendly free play with nature plant giveaways

SCARBOROUGH	
1	ALEXMUIR PARK 205 Alexmuir Blvd JUN/JUL NAGATA SHACHU, CELEBRATE JAPAN IN SCARBOROUGH! Music Japanese taiko workshop + concert thunderous drumming bring your own seating
2	CEDAR BROOK PARK 91 Eastpark Blvd
3	GUILD PARK & GARDENS 201 Guildwood Pkwy JUL NAGATA SHACHU, CELEBRATE JAPAN IN SCARBOROUGH! 2025 SUMMER SERIES TENDER POSSIBILITIES Literary poems workshop + readings meditative environment poetic exploration and self-reflection JUN - AUG JUL GUILD FESTIVAL THEATRE, FAMILY FEST Theatre + music + dance + circus + interactive family-friendly festival
4	MILLIKEN PARK 5555 Steeles Ave E JUL/AUG FRIENDS OF PARKWAY FOREST PARK, SPLASH ON EARTH Public art eco-friendly family-friendly painting JUL REGENT PARK FILM FESTIVAL, UNDER THE STARS Film outdoor film screening
5	PRAIRIE DRIVE PARK 121 Pharmacy Ave JUN NAGATA SHACHU, CELEBRATE JAPAN IN SCARBOROUGH! JUL ABEBE ATLEBACHEW, ETHIOPIAN DANCE AND CIRCUS Dance + circus Ethiopian, Indian and Bangladeshi traditional performances WAVELENGTH MUSIC ARTS PROJECTS, SUMMER THING: SCARBOROUGH EDITION Music visual art community festival
6	THOMSON MEMORIAL PARK 1005 Brimley Road AUG HERITAGE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE, AFRO CARIB FEST Multidisciplinary celebration Afro-Caribbean festival