

**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 you found it.

**WATCH THE WEATHER!** Some events will go on rain or shine, but some will cancel due to inclement weather. Please check the forecast before heading out to an event, and head to our Instagram @artsintheparksto for updates and/or cancellations.

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# ARTS IN THE PARKS

TORONTO ARTS FOUNDATION



2026 EVENTS GUIDE



# ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!



ARTS IN THE PARKS IS LOOKING FOR EXTRAORDINARY VOLUNTEERS.

HELP US SHOWCASE ARTS IN THE PARKS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

## NORTH YORK

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

SAMBA IN THE PARK



COMMON GROUND DANCE FESTIVAL



TOES FOR DANCE



THE SPIRAL OF OUR RELATIONS

WILLOWDALE CONCERTS IN THE PARK SERIES

THE GOLDFARB GALLERY OF YORK UNIVERSITY  
ISMAILOVA THEATRE OF DANCE  
ROSYLAND  
ENSEMBLE JENG YI  
INDIAN DANCE IN THE PARK  
DAST\_GA  
BALLET CREOLE  
THE DANCE MIGRATION PROJECT  
AFRICAN DANCE WITH PULGA  
GHANAFEST

## ETOBICOKE

**PARKS & EVENTS** AMOS WAITES PARK / BELL MANOR PARK / BROADACRES PARK / FLAGSTAFF PARK / LITTLE AVENUE MEMORIAL PARK / NEILSON PARK / RAYMORE PARK / ROWNTREE MILLS PARK / SUMMERLEA PARK



CROSSROADS THEATRE



BRAEBURN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE  
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TORONTO OUTDOOR PICTURE SHOW

WALKING THE KORA

STEPS PUBLIC ART  
POOLBODY  
CARRIE PERREULT  
LAKESHORE ARTS  
THE TWEETATIONS PRESENTS: THE LOVE NEST  
STEPS PUBLIC ART  
NIELSON PARK CREATIVE CENTRE  
ICONS DANCE GROUP  
AT ANY AGE  
DANCE TOGETHER FESTIVAL

## DOWNTOWN

**PARKS & EVENTS** CHRISTIE PITS PARK / CORKTOWN COMMON / DAVID PECAUT SQUARE / DUFFERIN GROVE PARK / FORT YORK / THE BENTWAY / TORONTO MUSIC GARDEN / VERMONT SQUARE PARK / WARD'S ISLAND / WITHROW PARK / LITTLE NORWAY PARK



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HARBOURFRONT CENTRE  
SHAKESPEARE IN THE RUFF  
THE BENTWAY  
PORCH VIEW DANCES  
THE WORD ON THE STREET TORONTO  
TORONTO OUTDOOR PICTURE SHOW

## EAST END

**PARKS & EVENTS** DENTONIA PARK / TAYLOR CREEK PARK



SHADOWLAND THEATRE

BANGLADESHI QUEER LIBERATION KIDS MUSIC FESTIVAL

## SCARBOROUGH

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



AFRO CARIB FEST



NAGATA MATSCHU



GUILD FESTIVAL THEATRE

THE AFRICAN CIRCUS



**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR** Event start time · Event days · 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

# LET YOUR IMAGINATION BLOOM

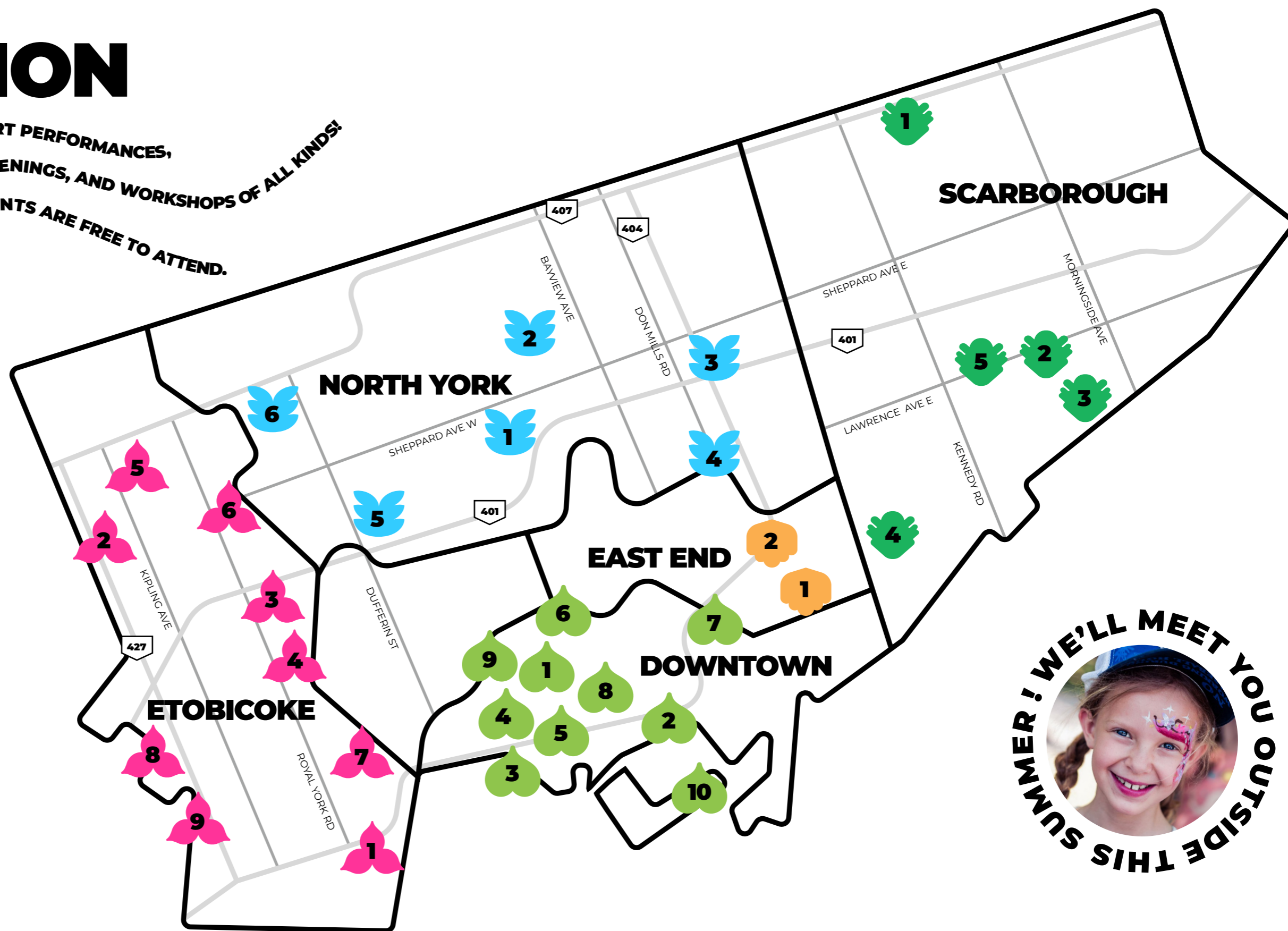


WITH FUN ART PERFORMANCES,  
SCREENINGS, AND WORKSHOPS OF ALL KINDS!  
ALL EVENTS ARE FREE TO ATTEND.



## WANT TO HOST YOUR OWN ARTS IN THE PARKS EVENT?

Funding is available through Toronto Arts Council:  
torontoartscouncil.org



### NORTH YORK

- 1 EARL BALES PARK** 4169 Bathurst St  
AUG GhanaFest, GhanaFest Multidisciplinary | celebration | experience the vibrant tapestry of Ghanaian culture
- 2 LEE LIFESON PARK** 223 Gladys Allison Pl  
MAY Ensemble Jeng Yi, The Iron Flower Drummers Summer Show Music | drumming | community performance
- 3 PARKWAY FOREST PARK** 80 Parkway Forest Dr  
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JUN/JUL Willowdale Arts Collective, Concerts in the Park Music | performances | showcasing emerging and established Canadian artists
- 4 RV BURGESS PARK** 46 Thorncliffe Park Dr  
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JUN/JUL Ismailova Theatre of Dance, Open Sky Dance Dance | family-friendly performances + workshops
- 5 WALTER SAUNDERS MEMORIAL PARK** 426 Hopewell Ave  
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AUG ROSYLAND Music | arts & crafts | family-friendly | interactive | explore feelings & emotions | find your creative & expressive self
- 6 FOUNTAINHEAD PARK** 445 Sentinel Rd  
AUG TOES FOR DANCE + Flight Festival, Common Ground Dance Festival Dance | interactive workshops for all levels + artist talks + performances | intercultural and participatory celebration of movement and community

### ETOBICOKE

- 1 AMOS WAITES PARK** 2441 Lake Shore Blvd W  
JUN Mammalian Diving Reflex, Walking the Kora Participatory walking performance | inspired by the Tibetan practice of "Kora" | a walk of reflection and meditation | led by youth
- 2 FLAGSTAFF PARK** 42 Mercury Rd  
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AUG Lakeshore Arts, Mimico Arts Jam Festival | performances + dance + music + art-making
- 3 LITTLE AVENUE MEMORIAL PARK** 22 Little Ave  
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JUL Dance Together Project, Dance Together Festival Dance + visual art + music | workshops | diverse and inclusive | celebrating community
- 4 RAYMORE PARK** 93 Raymore Dr  
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JUL/AUG At Any Age, Joyful Mix Fest DJ'ing | interactive demos + performances
- 5 ROWNTREE MILLS PARK** 155 Rowntree Mill Rd  
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AUG POOLBODY curated by Sharon T. Webber-Heffernan Performance | workshops | kids events
- 6 SUMMERLEA PARK** 450 Albion Rd  
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AUG Hercinia Arts Collective, Moneyfish: Balls, Balls Circus | performance | workshops for all skill levels | theatre | family-friendly
- 7 BELL MANOR PARK** 1 Bayside Ln  
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JUN The Tweetations Presents: The Love Nest Music | theatre | interactive performance | family-friendly
- 8 BROADACRES PARK** 450 The West Mall  
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AUG Crossroads Theatre, Through the Bamboo Theatre | community-engaged | puppetry | family-friendly
- 9 NEILSON PARK** 56 Neilson Dr  
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JUN Carrie Perreault, We Must Love and Support One Another Installation | community art workshops

### DOWNTOWN

- 1 CHRISTIE PITS PARK** 750 Bloor St W  
JUL Concrete Cabaret, The Very Silly Summer Slam Puppetry | performance, family friendly
- 2 CORKTOWN COMMON** 155 Bayview Ave  
JUL Toronto Outdoor Picture Show Film | Open-air screenings on Thursday evenings
- 3 TRILLIUM PARK** 955 Lakeshore Blvd West  
AUG Wavelength Music Projects, Summer Thing Music | festival
- 4 THE BENTWAY** 250 Fort York Blvd  
JUN/JUL Fan Fest @ The Bentway and Fort York Multidisciplinary | public art | cultural events | fandom
- 5 TORONTO MUSIC GARDEN** 479 Queen's Quay W  
JUN/AUG 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 2026 Dance | workshops + performances + dance party | week-long festival | travel through the park at sunset |
- 8 DAVID PECAUT SQUARE** 215 King St W  
SEPT Shakespeare in the Ruff, Pastoral: Adapted from As You Like It by Ho Ka Kei (Jeff Ho) Outdoor theatre | comedy | performance
- 9 DUFFERIN GROVE PARK** 875 Dufferin St  
JUN Toronto Magazine and Book Fair, The Word on the Street Toronto Festival Literary | family-friendly festival
- 10 WARD'S ISLAND** 20 Withrow St  
JUL Toronto Arts Foundation, Arts in the Parks Season Kick-Off Performances | workshops | special event

### EAST END

- 1 DENTONIA PARK** 80 Thyra Ave  
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JUL Bangladeshi Queer Liberation, Arts Mela Festival | multidisciplinary | celebrate Bengali new year
- 2 TAYLOR CREEK PARK** 260 Dawes Rd  
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AUG Shadowland Theatre, A Tale of Two Parks Community Arts + theatre | residency + workshops | celebrating parks as shared natural spaces
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JUN Ned Gordon, Kids Music Festival Music | kid-friendly arts activities + refreshments
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AUG Shadowland Theatre, A Tale of Two Parks Community Arts + Theatre | residency + workshops + performance | celebrating parks as shared natural spaces

### SCARBOROUGH

- 1 ALEXMUIR PARK** 205 Alexmuir Blvd  
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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  
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JUN Nagata Shachu, Celebrate Japan in Scarborough!
- 3 GUILD PARK & GARDENS** 201 Guildwood Pkwy  
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JUL Nagata Shachu, Celebrate Japan in Scarborough!
- 4 PRAIRIE DRIVE PARK** 121 Pharmacy Ave  
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JUL Guild Festival Theatre, Family Fest Family-friendly | theatre | music | dance
- 5 THOMSON MEMORIAL PARK** 1005 Brimley Rd  
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AUG Nagata Shachu, Celebrate Japan in Scarborough!

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