



Summer Events Guide 2019



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EDITOR

Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, is the largest city in Lambton County, located on the shores where the St. Clair River joins Lake Huron. The City of Sarnia has been characterized by its beautiful parks and trails, the waterfront, caring and friendly people, and safety. There is confidence in our location, industrial base, skilled workforce, and access to regional healthcare. The City strives to maintain a healthy, active, and safe lifestyle for all residents. We are people serving people.

Festivals and events have continuously played an important role in the development of Sarnia's quality of life, local economic growth, and community identity. Festivals and events are interactive, exciting and rewarding experiences for everyone involved, and pay tribute to our unique cultural, recreational and community initiatives. This Sarnia Summer Events Guide has been created as a reference of all the amazing activities happening within the Sarnia community in our parks, green spaces, and recreational facilities. Take a moment to read through all of this summer's upcoming events and get started on your summer event "to do" schedule!

- Sarnia Parks and Recreation Team

up and coming

SARNIA SUMMER EVENTS PROGRAM

2019 will be an exciting season filled with programs and activities geared to enrich the lives of our children, families, and older adults within our community. In addition to the Sarnia Summer Events Program, the Parks and Recreation Department is involved in organizing and promoting many other festivals and events along the waterfront, in our parks, and throughout the city. Come on out this summer for an array of events and festivities featuring local entertainment, activities, hobbies and so much more!



Limitless Photography

KIDS FUNFEST

Date: Saturday, June 8, 2019

Location: Clearwater Arena

Time: 9:00am-2:00pm

Held on the second Saturday in June since 1996, the Parks and Recreation Department and the Kids Funfest Committee organize this fun, family-friendly event with FREE admission! The focus of this event is to enhance children's lives by providing them and their families with the resources to find and participate in all of the child and family-oriented services, clubs, and organizations in our community. Each year, participants can expect a new addition to the wide array of community groups. Math games, obstacle courses, story time, and much more, all community groups offer unique interactive activities for participants to engage in, while learning more about what they have to offer. Kids Funfest is the spot to be!

HOBBYFEST

Date: Saturday, August 24, 2019

Location: Germain Park & Strangway Centre

Time: 9:00am-2:00pm



Learn. Explore. Create. Whether you are looking to pick up a new hobby, reignite an old one, or are interested in learning more about someone else's passion, this one-day event is where you will find it. Hobbyfest is a platform for individuals, local clubs, and organizations to increase their visibility in the community, to show off and share their achievements, as well as recruit new members with FREE admission! Hobbyfest is intended to be a fun, relaxing, educational event that allows for participation in interactive demonstrations and displays.



CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOP

Date: Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Location: Thrashing Barn, Canatara Park

Ages: 5-8

Time: 9:30am - 12:00pm and 1:00pm - 3:30pm

Cost: \$10.00 Per Child

The Children's Art Workshop, held in cooperation with the Sarnia Artists' Workshop, promotes healthy play and learning experiences for young children. Organized by the Parks and Recreation Department and located in Canatara Park, children enjoy a special themed-day, working with paint, clay and other art materials to make a variety of different crafts alongside the artists from the Sarnia Artists' Workshop. **Registration is required.**

ENCORE: THE PIANO PROGRAM

Time: Weather permitting, the piano is available to play from August, First Friday to September, First Friday.



In 2018, the Parrotheads on the St. Clair donated a piano from a Community Centre in Oil City to the Parks and Recreation Department for public, outdoor use. As a result of a unique partnership with the Lawrence House, the piano was temporarily housed in their courtyard, where it was painted in tropical colours and themes by members of the Hub, artists from the community and artists from the Lawrence House. After a month of public use, in September the piano was donated to Harmony for Youth where it now resides in Bayside Mall. If interested in housing next year's colourful piano, complete the downloadable PDF available on the City of Sarnia's website, and email to parksandrecreation@sarnia.ca!

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

Date: June - August

FREE Admission



**"EVERYDAY IS AN
OPPORTUNITY"**

- Eric Ethridge





SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

For more than twenty-five years, the City of Sarnia has put on a variety of eclectic concerts that originated with our Waterfront Concert and Entertainment Series at Centennial Park, and later moved and expanded to Canatara Park. As the years have gone by, local interest has grown, and the concert series now includes three additional miniseries: Kenwick on the Lake in Bright's Grove, Music in the Garden in Germain Park, and our newest mini-series, Get Out of the Garage, featuring up and coming youth bands and musicians. Today, this array of concerts is known as the Summer Entertainment Series and includes On the Waterfront, Kenwick on the Lake, Music in the Garden, and Get out of the Garage - with a new Battle of the Bands event on the last Friday of June.



Date: June - August starting at 7PM

FREE Admission



SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

by month: starting at 7PM

CENTENNIAL PARK

Suncor Agora - On the Waterfront

- 4th OPENING NIGHT:
Scottish Night
(Rain Date - June 10th)
- 11th Forest Excelsior Band
- 18th 4 Barrel Blues Band
- 25th El Camino

- Get Out of the Garage

- 7th Noise Pollution
- 14th Rebound Rocks
- 21st TBA
- 28th Battle of the Bands
Competition

CANATARA PARK

Bandshell - On the Waterfront

- 5th Big Highway
- 6th Rockwork
- 12th Seaway Sounds,
Sweet Adelines & Friends
- 13th Madog Trio
- 19th The Casuals
- 20th Relic
- 26th Borderline Band
- 27th Dynamic Duel

JUNE



JULY

CENTENNIAL PARK

Suncor Agora - On the Waterfront

- 2nd The Persuaders
- 8th Christine Storey & Debbie Wellington
- 9th The Siteks
- 15th Bluewater Chordsmen
- 16th Rob Dickson & Friends
- 22nd The Wade Sisters
- 23rd Cordcalling
- 29th The Fat Catz
- 30th The Overtones

CANATARA PARK

Bandshell - On the Waterfront

- 3rd Thorn & Roses
- 10th Karen Emeny
- 17th Sisters of Soul
- 24th Catchin' the Groove
- 31st Deano Brainelli

KENWICK PARK

- Kenwick on the Lake

- 3rd BobCatz
- 10th Trio #1
- 17th Blast from the Past
- 24th Celtic Hillbillies
- 31st Electric Grandparents

GERMAIN PARK

- Music in the Garden

- 4th Life Signs
- 11th Missy Burgess
- 18th DJ2
- 25th Bluewater Celi Band

AUGUST

CENTENNIAL PARK

Suncor Agora - On the Waterfront

- 6th Joyful Noise Percussion Group
- 12th The Goodfellas
- 13th The R.E.D. Line Band
- 19th Jared Lutes
- 20th Joan Spalding & the Foggy Mountain Band

CANATARA PARK

Bandshell - On the Waterfront

- 7th Bill Hines
- 14th Town & Country
- 21st Bluewater Cloggers

KENWICK PARK

- Kenwick on the Lake

- 7th Jim Lahey & Caitlin Mason
- 14th Blackmore & Blackmore
- 21st Fiddles and Flutes: Old Time Celi Music

GERMAIN PARK

- Music in the Garden

- 1st Strum N Drum
- 8th MJM - Musical Memories with Janet
- 15th Jules Cee & Friends
- 22nd Macsmusic



this summer's **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

JUNE

- 30th - 2nd Poutine Feast - Centennial Park
- 2nd Gutsy Walk - Canatara Park;
YMCA CHOK International Bridge Race - Canatara Park
- 7th First Friday - Downtown Sarnia
- 8th Kids Funfest - Clearwater Park;
Beachside Pride - Canatara Park
- 11th Ride Don't Hide School Ride - Canatara Park
- 13th Sarnia Senior's Expo - Sarnia Arena
- 14th - 16th Refined Fool Block Party - Downtown Sarnia
- 14th Relay for Life - Clearwater Park
- 16th Huron House Boys' Home Father's Day Walk/Run/Skate/Bike - Mike Weir Park
- 17th - 21st 2019 Carpenters Provincial Apprenticeship Contest - Canatara Park
- 22nd Bright's Grove Canada Day - Kenwick Park & Old Lakeshore
Sarnia Block Party - Suncor Agora
- 23rd Cruise in the Park - Canatara Park
- 24th Sarnia Seniors' Cruise & Lambton
Eldery Outreach Event - Duc d'Orleans
- 28th Battle of the Bands Youth Competition
- Suncor Agora



JULY

- 1st Canada Day - Centennial & Canatara Park
- 1st - 14th Young Peoples Bible School - Kathleen Park
- 5th First Friday - Downtown Sarnia;
Sarnia Kinsmen Ribfest - Centennial Park
- 5th - 7th Beats on the Street - Downtown Sarnia
- 7th Sarnia VegFest - Canatara Park
- 13th Stephanie Shaw Memorial Ball Hockey Tournament - Canatara;
Noelle's Gift Family Fun Day - Tecumseh Park
- 20th Doggie Paddle Beach Fest - Canatara Park;
Skate Jam - Tecumseh Park
- 25th EXIT Realty Outdoor Movie Night - Canatara Park
- 27th Unleashed - Stokes Bay Front Lawn;
Brights Grove Music Fest - Kenwick Park
- 27th - 28th Bluewater Triathlon/Duathlon - Wild Wood Park
- 29th Gospel by the Bay - Centennial Park (to Aug 10th)



Troy Shantz

AUGUST

- 1st Cool Cars, Hot Night - Canatara Park
- 2nd First Friday - Downtown Sarnia
- 2nd - 4th BEER & BURGER Festival - Downtown Sarnia
- 4th Bluewater International Granfondo - Mike Weir Park & Old Lakeshore
- 11th Sarnia Family Fun Day - Canatara Park
- 8th - 11th Bluewater Borderfest - Centennial Park
- 9th - 11th Sarnia Tall Ships Celebration - Sarnia Harbour
- 10th - 11th ARTZscape by the Bay - Centennial Park
- 17th Sarnia ALT Walk - Downtown Sarnia
- 20th Libro Outdoor Family Movie Night - Canatara Park
- 24th Hobbyfest - Germain Park & Strangway Centre;
Mitton Village Block Party - Mitton Street



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CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

ANNUAL PARADE

Begins at 11:30AM at Lakeshore & Colborne

CANATARA PARK FESTIVITIES - 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Multicultural Food Booths, Handmade Craft Market, Interactive Activities, Inflatables and JoJo & Chuckles

1:30 PM OPENING CEREMONIES: BANDSHELL

2:00 PM MULTICULTURAL PERFORMANCES: BANDSHELL

2:00 PM ENTERTAINMENT ON & OFF STAGE

CENTENNIAL PARK FESTIVITIES - 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Midway Carnival - Family Time Amusements

JUNE 29 - JULY 7

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON-SITE

Evening Entertainment

**6:00 PM - 6:45PM BATTLE OF THE BANDS YOUTH
CONCERT WINNER**

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM ACES HIGH

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM ONE MAN OUT

FIREWORKS - 10:00 PM

FOLLOWED BY A SECOND PERFORMANCE BY ONE MAN OUT

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