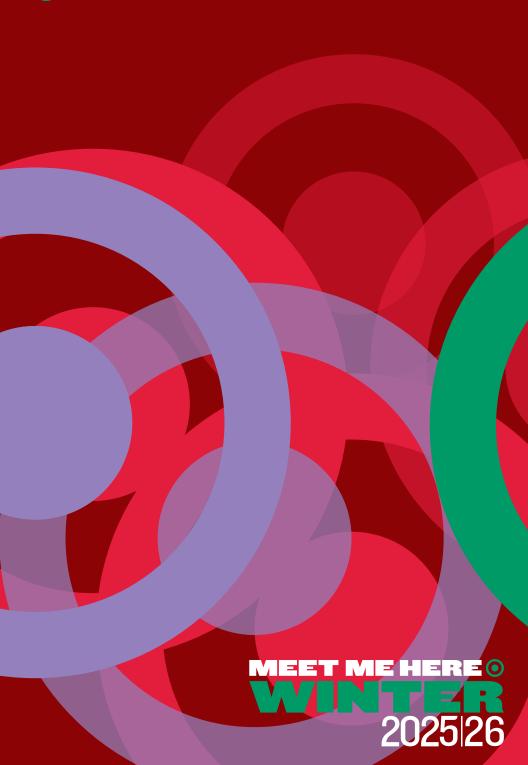
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# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully acknowledge the past and present traditional caretakers of this territory and their unique role in the life of the region. Harbourfront Centre is committed to honouring Indigenous peoples' cultural and spiritual relationships to the land and waters, and their rich contribution to society. Toronto is on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We ask that you respect the land and traditions of those who walked upon it for millennia before us.



# WELCOME TO OUR WINTER SEASON AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE

Winter by the waterfront brings a special and magical crisp air, sparkling lights and festive cheer. This year, Harbourfront Centre invites you to celebrate the season with the return of Winterfest Toronto, featuring our dazzling Tree Lighting, an expanded skating rink, DJ Skate Nights, carollers, comedy, a traditional pantomime, social dance nights, a kid-friendly holiday train and a late-night cabaret. Ring in 2026 with a spectacular New Year's Eve fireworks show over the harbour.



Together with our partners at Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities, we've expanded our outdoor rink, creating even more space for skaters to glide, learn and connect. For all those who love to skate and those learning to, we're excited to open our community rink for children, youth and families to experience the joy of skating and recreation on Toronto's waterfront.



In the new year, we will celebrate KUUMBA, Toronto's largest Black Futures Month festival, which highlights Black excellence through art and innovation. Don't miss the DesignTO Festival exhibition *Traces* at Gallery 235 and stories from environmental activists David Suzuki and Tara Cullis. From performances to panels and public art, our winter season continues to bring people together to learn, celebrate and share in the creativity that makes our waterfront community so vibrant. This winter, skip hibernation and discover holiday magic, community and skating at Harbourfront Centre!



Cathy Loblaw
Chief Executive Officer
Harbourfront Centre



## **SKATE BY THE LAKE**

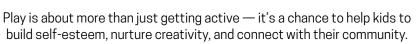


Is there anything more magical than gliding across the ice under the open winter sky by the waterfront? Our beloved community skating rink returns, bigger, brighter and ready to welcome more of our community than ever before. Thanks to our partnership with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities, the expanded rink offers even more space for families, friends and kids of all ages to experience the joy of skating, laughter and winter fun together by the water. **BEGINS NOV 28 COMMUNITY RINK FREE** 





# EVERY KID DESERVES THE CHANCE TO PLAY



That's why Jumpstart assists families across Canada in overcoming financial barriers to sport and play. Since 2005, we've helped over 4 million kids get off the sidelines and into the game.

To learn more, visit **jumpstart.canadiantire.ca**.





## **WINTERFEST TORONTO**

Back for its second year, Winterfest Toronto transforms our campus into a festive wonderland! Enjoy dazzling lights, delicious eats, magical train rides, holiday markets and more. **NOV 28 – DEC 31** 



## TREE LIGHTING

Celebrate the season as we light our spectacular 33-foot holiday tree! Gather with loved ones while Stephen Lewis and DJ Prophet fill the night with beloved holiday classics, welcoming the most wonderful time of the year. **NOV 28 COMMUNITY SQUARE FREE** 



## HARBOURFRONT EXPRESS

All aboard the Harbourfront Express! Two classic trains return to whisk you through a sparkling, frosted fairyland at West Campus for a magical, family-friendly ride full of holiday cheer.

NOV 28 - DEC 31 SOUTH COMMONS TICKETED



## WINTER MAZE

Wander through sparkling lights and explore twists and turns in our giant Winter Maze. A perfect way to spend a snowy day outdoors, this immersive seasonal experience brings fun, laughter and sweet memories.

NOV 28 – DEC 31 THE COMMONS TICKETED



## **NORTHFIRE CIRCUS**

Experience daring acrobatics and blazing artistry in high-energy performances where snow meets flame for a breathtaking winter experience you won't forget! **SATURDAYS, NOV 29, DEC 6, 13 AND 20 THE GALLEY FREE** 

# THE HOLIDAY HOP: SOCIAL DANCE SERIES

Celebrate the season with rhythm and joy! Every Friday this December, The Holiday Hop series brings you a new social dance every week from swing to salsa and tango. No partner or experience is needed!

FRIDAYS, DEC 5, 12 AND 19 LAKESIDE TERRACE TICKETED



# THE ALPINE MERRY SHEEP CHOIR

Experience the Alpine Merry Sheep Choir led by a devoted shepherd where three playful sheep jingle and bleat through festive classics. With dance, harmonies and charm, they warm hearts, leaving smiles behind. **DEC 14 AND 21 VARIOUS VENUES FREE** 



### JACK AND THE BEANS TALK: A MERRY MAGICAL PANTOMIME

Enjoy a hilarious, family-friendly twist on Jack and the Beanstalk told in classic British pantomime style. Join Jack, a mischievous villain, a magical fairy and a talking cow named Daisy for a music-filled adventure bursting with laughter and imagination.





# WINTER SOLSTICE STORYTELLING BY THE FIRE

Curated by Miigwech Collective, join us for an intergenerational Winter Solstice celebration with stories, songs and Indigenous teachings. Gather by the campfire with Knowledge Keeper Marie Gaudet and Jingle Dress dancer Emily Rose to explore the stars and Solstice meanings. **DEC 21 COMMUNITY SQUARE FREE** 



We're lighting up the season on the waterfront with live music, laugh-out-loud comedy and festive cheer! Enjoy a dazzling holiday cabaret, the sweet sounds of Victorian carollers and plenty of seasonal surprises. Celebrate the holidays with us!

### TRIXX & FRIENDS



Award-winning comedian and *Great Canadian Laugh-Off* finalist Trixx returns for two nights of unfiltered hilarity. He's joined by Canadian debuts from Jay Reid, Schoen Favorite and Paris Sashay, with special guest Gina Yashere bringing her signature wit on night two.

NOV 28-29 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED

### STEVEN TAETZ



Steven Taetz and his merry trio of award-winning musicians celebrate the festive season, performing Christmas classics and original hits from Taetz's holiday album, mixing a cool cocktail of vocal jazz, roots and soul. **NOV 29 AND DEC 13 COMMUNITY SQUARE FREE** 

# THE BAKER STREET VICTORIAN CAROLLERS



The Baker Street Victorian Carollers, a seasoned vocal quartet with over 125 years of combined experience in musical theatre and opera, brings a classic Victorian Christmas to life in authentic 19<sup>th</sup>-century attire.

NOV 30 AND DEC 7 VARIOUS VENUES FREE

### **AMANDA MARTINEZ**

Join singer Amanda Martinez for a festive holiday celebration, featuring traditional *villancicos*, holiday favourites and Latin-inspired originals delivered with her vibrant vocals and Latin rhythms.

**DEC 6 COMMUNITY SQUARE FREE** 



#### HOLLYWOOD JADE PRESENTS: THE NAUGHTY LIST, A HOLIDAY CABARET

A sizzling, urban burlesque show with a twist on holiday classics. Step into Hollywood Jade's world of glamour and unapologetic celebration, where rhythm meets risqué and every move could land you on Santa's naughty list (wink-wink). **DEC 13**THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED



# THE ARSENALS: **HAPPY SKA'LIDAYS**

Get ready to groove with Toronto's own The Arsenals! Known for their infectious blend of ska, rocksteady and reggae, this high-energy band will heat up the season with a festive twist. Expect a lively mix of ska-infused holiday classics and fan-favourite tunes that are sure to get you moving. **DEC 20 COMMUNITY SQUARE FREE** 





Wander through twinkling stalls filled with festive treats, artisanal gifts and enjoy enchanting pop-ups for a holiday market experience made for making memories. FREE ADMISSION

## **VENDOR LANE**



Take a delightful stroll down Vendor Lane and wander through a lit pathway of trees while exploring festive food vendors offering seasonal savoury bites and sweet treats. **NOV 28 – DEC 21 WEST CAMPUS** 

# CRAFT & DESIGN STUDIO MARKETPLACE



Shop for unique, handcrafted treasures at Harbourfront Centre's Craft & Design Studio Marketplace. Discover blown glass tableware, ornaments, art, jewellery and home decor — all one-of-a-kind gifts made by our extraordinary resident artists. **DEC 6-7 LAKESIDE TERRACE** 





Discover gifts, treats and treasures at this festive holiday pop-up market from Ontario's most enchanting festival. **DEC 13–14, 20–21 LAKESIDE TERRACE** 

### DJ SKATE NIGHTS

Make your winter Saturday nights epic with DJ Skate Nights! Thanks to our partnership with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities, the rink has expanded, giving even more of our community the chance to enjoy skating this season. Glide across our newly improved, larger waterfront rink while top DJs spin the beats that keep the energy high all night long. Check out the lineup and join the fun! SATURDAYS. DEC 20 – FEB 14 COMMUNITY RINK FREE

DEC 20 CLASSICS ON ICE FLY LADY DI Hip-hop, R&B, house and dancehall



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JAN 17 DJ STARTING FROM SCRATCH High-energy beats

DEC 27 REGGAE ON ICE DJ SPEXDABOSS at RIDDIM TRACK LIVE Reggae and rhythm





**JAN 24 DJ STEPH HONEY**Soca and R&B

DEC 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE DJ SMARTIEZ Fresh mixes and top hits





JAN 31 AFROBEAT ON ICE DJ REVY B Afrobeats and R&B

YOHOMO ON ICE YOHOMO Queer anthems and skating divas





FEB 7 SOCA ON ICE DR. JAY DE SOCA PRINCE Soca and Caribbean vibes

JAN 10 LATIN FIRE ON ICE DJ CHELO SANTIAGO Reggaeton, Latin and Afrobeats





**FEB 14 R&B ON ICE DJ SKITZ**R&B and soul





Since 1974, Harbourfront Centre's Craft & Design Studio Residency has supported Canadian artists in glass, metal, ceramics, textiles and jewellery – fostering careers, collaboration and public engagement through exhibitions and workshops.

The Craft & Design Studio Residency is generously supported by The RBC Foundation, Canadian Heritage, the City of Toronto, the Ontario Arts Council and the Canada Council for the Arts. FREE

## **EXHIBITIONS**



From groundbreaking contemporary art and visionary Canadian craft artists to playful family experiences, Harbourfront Centre's exhibitions offer a dynamic snapshot of the creativity shaping Canada's cultural landscape.

## **MEET YOUR MAKER**



Discover the artists shaping contemporary Canadian craft and design at *Meet Your Maker*, our new exhibition. Featuring our current Artists-in-Residence, this bold showcase celebrates works in glass, metal/jewellery, clay and textiles, as tools for culture, connection and reinvention. **NOW UNTIL DEC 31** 

**CRAFT & DESIGN STUDIO, VITRINES & GALLERY 235 FREE** 



# TRACES BY DESIGNTO FESTIVAL

**Traces** explores how artists and designers respond to displacement, capturing the emotional weight of migration amid climate crisis, war and social unrest. **JAN 23 – MAR 29 GALLERY 235 FREE** 

#### THE POWER PLANT CONTEMPORARY ART GALLERY WINTER EXHIBITIONS

Discover thought-provoking contemporary art by leading artists at The Power Plant.

Murderers Bar is the final installment in American artist Lucy Raven's *The Drumfire* series. The work charts the largest dam removal project in North American history, the result of decades of activism and a major river restoration project.



Jeneen Frei Njootli: *The skies closed themselves when we averted our gaze* rethinks how representations of Indigenous life are produced and consumed, using found materials relating to their community - the self-governing Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation.

NOW UNTIL MAR 22, 2026



# MUSEUM OF TORONTO MR. DRESSUP TO DEGRASSI: 42 YEARS OF LEGENDARY TORONTO KIDS TV

Celebrate Toronto's golden age of children's TV that entertained generations from 1952–1994. Explore rare clips, puppets, sets and interactive fun.

**NOV 28 - MAR 15 HARBOURFRONT CENTRE FREE** 



# ONTARIO SCIENCE CENTRE KIDSPARK

Step into Ontario Science Centre's hands-on play space for kids 10 and under. Explore interactive exhibits that spark playful learning and early STEM discovery.

NOW UNTIL JAN 4 \$15 ADMISSION FREE FOR KIDS AGES 2 & UNDER



## NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATIONS

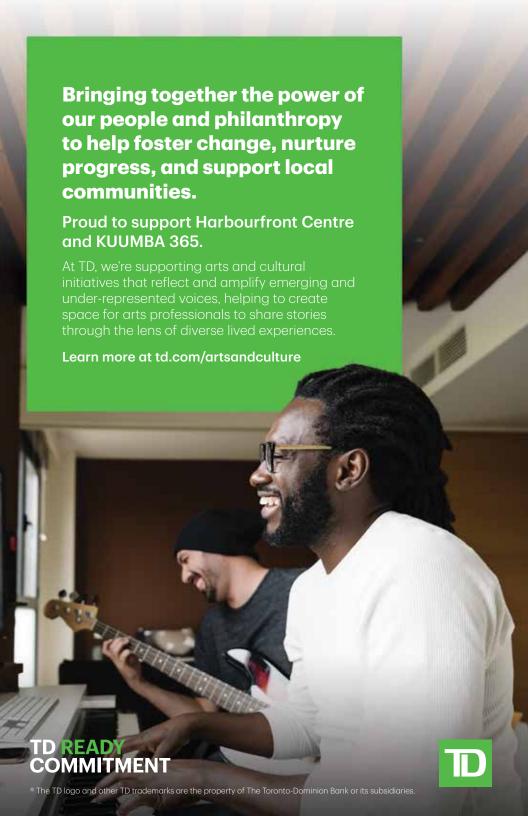


Glide into the new year at our free admission DJ Skate Night on the rink with DJ Smartiez, known for highenergy sets and fresh mixes of chart-topping hits. Enjoy tasty bites from local vendors at our Street Eats Market, take one last train ride on the beloved Harbourfront Express and countdown to midnight with the City of Toronto's spectacular 10-minute fireworks display, synchronized to music for a breathtaking high-altitude light show over the lake. CBC will be on-site capturing the excitement for their national New Year's Eve coverage, and we'll also have a few surprise moments you won't want to miss! **DEC 31, 2025 VARIOUS VENUES FREE** 









## KUUMBA 2026 365 SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS

**KUUMBA**, Toronto's largest and longest-running Black Futures Month festival, is presented by TD Bank Group through the TD Ready Commitment. Guided by the theme Sounds of Blackness, **KUUMBA 2026** will feature a vibrant lineup spanning music, wellness, family events and workshops amplifying Afro-Caribbean and Canadian artists and thought leaders in a powerful celebration of reflection and future-focused dialogue. **FEB 1–28 VARIOUS VENUES FREE & TICKETED** 

**KUUMBA 365** is a celebration of Black culture through sound. Musicians Dennis Passley, Larnell Lewis and Dwight Jones respond to The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery's Winter Exhibitions by Jeneen Frei Njootli and Lucy Raven. Crafting original compositions, their collective works culminate in an extraordinary performance, connecting music and contemporary art.

FEB 6 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE PAY WHAT YOU WISH









## KUUMBA WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS



Cultivating a space for Black, Indigenous and women of colour in the health and wellness space through shared dialogue and self-care practices. **FEB 4, 11, 18 AND 25 THE LOOKOUT FREE WITH REGISTRATION** 

### **CINEFEMME FILM SERIES**



Celebrating the fearless voices of Canadian women and non-binary filmmakers of colour, audiences are invited to witness stories that challenge the imagination with films that reflect on the transformative power of storytelling. Presented by CaribbeanTales Media Group. **FEB 6, 13, 19 AND 27 STUDIO THEATRE** 

# WHEN BROTHERS & SISTERS SPEAK

FREE WITH REGISTRATION



Two iconic events on one stage. From curator, producer and a Scarborough Walk of Fame inductee, Dwayne Morgan, When Brothers Speak, the continent's largest showcase of Black male spoken word artists, delivers raw and emotionally charged performances, while When Sisters Speak amplifies the bold voices of Black women sharing their truths with honesty and fire. **FEB 7 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED** 

## **KUUMBA FAMILY SUNDAYS**



Join Power Kids, Ontario Science Centre and the National Film Board at Harbourfront to celebrate creativity and community with family-friendly films, science and art activities like printmaking, crafting musical instruments and collages — all inspired by KUUMBA. **FEB 1, 8, 15 AND 22 VARIOUS VENUES FREE** 

# THE LOVE. AFFAIR. & AFTERPARTY AFFAIR

A Valentine's Day special! Joined by guest performers and his ten-piece band, Sean Jones delivers classic and original love songs to set the mood. After the show, enjoy an exclusive Afterparty Affair with BELLOSOUND spinning tunes and live sets from local artists — the perfect ending to a love-filled night! **FEB 14 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED** 



# HOLLYWOOD JADE PRESENTS: **DIVA**

Join a celebration of quintessential drag with a fully curated and choreographed show featuring a diverse range of outstanding Queens who embody the likeness of legendary performers Grace Jones, Madonna, Whitney Houston, Destiny's Child, JLo, Kylie Minogue, Christina Aguilera and so many more. **FEB 21 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED** 



# A BLACK PANTHER IN THE GREAT WHITE NORTH

A two-day workshop with playwright and screenwriter, Darren Anthony, for his new play, A Black Panther in the Great White North. In partnership with Harbourfront Centre x Black Arts Project. FEB 20-21 STUDIO THEATRE PAY WHAT YOU WISH







Enjoy a full lineup of exciting activities for all ages, including skating, crafts, science experiments, film screenings, storytelling and so much more. Don't miss the spectacular performance by the Ice Theatre of Toronto on our newly expanded and improved ice rink! Presented in partnership with The Power Plant, Ontario Science Centre and the National Film Board of Canada.

#### SUGAR SHACK TO



Sugar Shack TO, presented by Redpath, returns to Toronto's waterfront for the first weekend of March Break! Enjoy live entertainment, interactive winter activities, delicious comfort food and of course, tons of maple taffy. For more information, visit: sugarshackto.ca

## WHAT YOU WON'T DO FOR LOVE



A theatre performance that explores the deep love and lifelong partnership between Canada's most beloved climate activists, David Suzuki and Tara Cullis. Together for 50 years, they reflect on their relationship to each other, to the planet and how love inspires their shared commitment to change. This powerful production is a creation of local innovators, Why Not Theatre.

MAR 20–21 THE FLECK AT HARBOURFRONT CENTRE THEATRE TICKETED

### FROM OUR PARTNERS

#### **HOLIDAY BOAT CRUISES**

Set sail this season! Enjoy festive public or private cruises on Toronto's waterfront with delicious holiday dinners, music, dancing and dazzling decor aboard heated vessels. Celebrate the holidays in unforgettable style on the water! **NOV AND DEC TICKETED** 



## THE SECOND CITY

This holiday season, give the gift of laughter at The Second City. Whether you're planning a group outing with the family, a festive holiday party, a date night or a girls' night out, we've got the perfect show to make your season merry and bright. For more information, visit: secondcity.com **NOV 18 – JAN 4 1 YORK ST TICKETED** 



### NAGATA SHACHU OTO NO NAMI (SOUND WAVES)

Nagata Shachu presents Oto no Nami (Sound Waves), the second concert of its 28th Anniversary season. Experience the raw power of taiko drums, soulful bamboo flutes and shamisen. Featuring signature pieces and new works, this dynamic performance blends rhythmic mastery, dramatic movements and timeless melodies, journeying from ancient Japan to today. **DEC 6** 





### THE FOOD SCENE

At Harbourfront Centre you'll find bold flavour meets lakeside charm, from the chic Mediterranean–Asian shared plates at Queens Harbour to the artisan coffees and casual bites at Boxcar Social and full–on comfort food at Amsterdam Brewhouse.

### **QUEENS HARBOUR**



The White Garden at Queens Harbour transforms the waterfront into a breathtaking winter dreamscape. Step into a world of pure white bliss — towering, frosted trees, glowing lights and ethereal ambiance, an immersive seasonal activation that captures the magic, beauty and grandeur of winter like never before.

# MIRACLE TORONTO AT BOXCAR HARBOURFRONT



Get ready, Toronto! Miracle Toronto is decking the halls at Boxcar Social on the waterfront! Sip festive cocktails, feast on Christmas comfort food, brunch with Santa and snap pics with your pups — an unmissable holiday wonderland. **NOV 20 — DEC 28** 

### **AMSTERDAM BREWHOUSE**



Celebrate the holidays at Amsterdam Brewhouse, Toronto's largest waterfront craft brewery, restaurant, and BrewMart. Our 14,000 sq. ft. space offers cozy, chef-crafted menus and fresh craft beer. Perfect for festive gatherings and winter celebrations. Book now at amsterdambeer.com

# Food & Beverage Near Harbourfront Centre

#### 500m Radius Map



**Harbour Point** 246-272 Queens Quay W

#### Food - Quick Service

- Bubble Baby
- Harvey's/Swiss Chalet 🎟
- Ice Creamonology
- Indian Roti House
- Pizzaiolo

Golden Eggs

Waterclub

Blaze Burger

• Pizza Pizza Popeyes

Starbucks

• INS Market

Shatter Abbas

• Shawarma West

• Wild Wings 📾

#### **Grocery & Convenience**

208-218 Queens Quay W

• CSK Indian Street Kitchen

• Dil Se Indian Restaurant & Bar

Rabba Fine Foods

Radisson 249 Queens Quay W

#### Food - Quick Service

- Cafe Locale
- Mama's Pizza
- Tim Hortons

Shoeless Joe's

## **John Quay** 245 Queens Quay W

- Queens Harbour 🌧

#### Queen's Quay Terminal 207 Queens Quay W

• Tim Hortons

- Goodman Pub & Kitchen
- Joe Bird 🦸
- Pearl Chinese Cuisine, 2nd floor
  - Pie Bar 🦸

Farm Boy

#### The Riviera 228-230 Queens Quay W

#### Food - Quick Service

- Bacco Market
- Subway Sandwiches

#### Harbourfront Centre 235 Queens Quay W

Food - Quick / Concession
• Lisa's Ice Cream

- Food Dine-ir
   Boxcar Social
- The Slip

#### Ten York

• Tim Hortons

#### Pier 6 145 Queens Quay W

#### Food - Quick Service

- BeaverTails
- · Love Churros / Lisa's Ice Cream

#### 10 One York Quay & Harbour Square 89-109 Queens Quay W

• Church's Chicken

• Ivy. Coffee Shop

• Nav Grocery Store

#### Shops at One York 110 Harbour St

#### Food - Quick Service

- Cluck'n Bowl 2nd floor
- Dark Horse Espresso Bar, 2nd floor
- · Rolltation, 2nd floor
- South St Burger, 2nd floor

#### • Kinka Izakaya

- Kinton Ramen
   The Bentwood Toronto, 3rd floor

#### Grocery & Convenience Nature's Emporium, 2nd floor

- Dollarama, 3rd floor

#### Waterpark Place

#### 88 Queens Quay W

- INS Market
- Rexall, 2nd floor

- · A&W, 2nd floor • Aroma Espresso Bar
- Booster Juice

- Casa 73 (Dine In)
  Fast Fresh Foods, 2nd floor
  Freshwest Grill, 2nd floor
- Impact Kitchen
- · Jimmy the Greek, 2nd floor
- Koha Pacific Kitchen, 2nd floor
- Miku (Dine-In) 🏦
- Mos Mos
- Olly Frescos, 2nd floor Shanghai 360, 2nd floor
- Szechuan Express, 2nd floor
- Tim Hortons, 2nd floor
- Villa Madina, 2nd floor

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### **MEET US HERE**

Our Main Building is located at 235 Queens Quay West, on the south side of Queens Quay West, where Lower Simcoe Street ends. Our campus extends from York Street all the way to Bathurst Street with many venues (indoor and outdoor) and places to gather with loved ones for a great time by the water.



# TAKE PUBLIC TRANSIT

The closest accessible subway station is Union Station. Harbourfront Centre is the nearest streetcar stop. From Union Station, take the 510 streetcar and get off two stops later at the Harbourfront Centre stop.



## **PARKING**

Access P2 Parking on-site at 235 Queens Quay West and the Rees Street Parking lot at the North West corner of Rees Street and Queens Quay West. Make a full day of your stay and enjoy the best that the waterfront has to offer. (P.S.: We are also one of the cheaper lots around for sports events in the neighbourhood.)







# WINTER ACTIVITIES

**On Toronto's waterfront** 

For a full list of upcoming winter events, activities, and programs happening along the waterfront, visit waterfrontbia.com



# GREAT THINGS BREWING

For 178 years, Labatt has built a legacy on the ambition to lead, challenge, and achieve greatness in everything we do.

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