



Harbourfront centre

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**FALL** 2025

# Welcome to Fall

While summer may be behind us, fall on our campus brings a whole new experience by the waterfront.



This autumn, our campus comes alive with **public art, culture, immersive dance, science, music** and a **giant waterfront festival** – all made possible through our incredible partnerships with the **Ontario Science Centre**, the **WBIA**, **The Power Plant** and **Museum of Toronto**.

There's always something happening here — come join us and experience the magic of fall together!

## Ontario Science Centre

**KIDSPARK** Explore the amazing world of science at the Ontario Science Centre's dedicated space for children 10 and under. Book online at [ontariosciencecentre.ca](https://ontariosciencecentre.ca)



Join us for **fun, free community events** that celebrate the vibrant diversity of our city.

**Celebrate Black Excellence 2025** Honouring the impact of Black changemakers, artists and entrepreneurs with family-friendly workshops and activities. **Sept 20**



**Pride in STEM 2025** Showcasing the contributions of the 2SLGBTQI+ community in the worlds of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). **Nov 15**

## The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery

### FALL/WINTER EXHIBITIONS

This fall, The Power Plant presents two unique and deeply resonant solo exhibitions that engage with histories of representation while reflecting on land relations: **Vuntut Gwitchin artist Jeneen Frei Njootli's *The skies closed themselves when we averted our gaze*** and American artist **Lucy Raven's *Murderers Bar***. **Nov 7, 2025 – March 22, 2026**



*Murderers Bar* is co-commissioned and jointly acquired by The Vega Foundation and the Vancouver Art Gallery. It is organized and developed by The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery and The Vega Foundation.

For more information on free public programs, please visit [thepowerplant.org](https://thepowerplant.org)

# Water/Fall Festival

Where the season meets the shore!

A celebration of creativity, culture and community on Toronto's waterfront. Discover the vibrancy of fall and enjoy interactive art, food and artisanal markets, live music and more.

*Explore the full Water/Fall Festival experience with our map, your easy guide to every event and performance!*

**Sept 27–28 & Oct 4–5 Various Venues Free & Ticketed**



## A Lake Story

Over 100 local canoers and paddlers will showcase large, wind-activated colour field paintings in a procession along the Toronto waterfront, highlighting the interconnected relationships above and below Lake Ontario's waters.

**Sept 27–28 Toronto's Inner Harbour**

*Presented by The Bentway, featuring artist Melissa McGill. Supported by Waterfront Toronto, Waterfront BIA, Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, and Redpath Sugar.*



## Fall Harvest Market

Stroll through over 40 vendors at Toronto's new fall market, which offers festive fun with fresh produce, pumpkin carving, apple bobbing, fire pits with s'mores, live music and more.

**Sept 27–28 & Oct 4–5 HTO Park**

*In partnership with Street Eats Market*



## Sustainable Makers Market

Discover a vibrant market where creativity meets sustainability, uniting artists, designers and community members. Explore zero-waste fashion, student-led projects, workshops and swap plants and art supplies. Enjoy live art, music and more as we imagine a greener future together!

**Sept 27–28 585 Queens Quay W Free**

*Presented by OCAD U's Global Centre for Climate Action*



## As the Flower Returns

Join Natalie Laura King for a collaborative drawing installation that reflects Anishinaabe knowledge systems and queer ways of seeing, as your contributions shape a large-scale painting across HTO Park's sidewalks. **Oct 4–5 HTO Park Free**

*In partnership with Ontario Culture Days*



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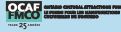


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# Craft & Design Studios

The Craft & Design Studio Residency at Harbourfront Centre is Canada's only craft Artist-in-Residency offering open studio access, exhibitions and public engagement for emerging makers in Textiles, Glass, Ceramics and Metal/Jewellery. Residents develop their work in dedicated studio spaces while teaching, exhibiting and mentoring one another in a collaborative environment that encourages experimentation and professional growth for today's makers.

## Meet Your Maker

*Meet Your Maker* invites you into the beating heart of contemporary craft and design where you can encounter the makers reshaping the future of craft, witness their processes in an intimate studio space and ponder how the act of making connects us all. **Sept 27 – Dec 31 Gallery 235 Free**

## Crafted Kinship: A Talk with Malene Barnett

Join us for a discussion with celebrated author and artist, Malene Barnett, on her recently published book, *Crafted Kinship*, which profiles contemporary Black Caribbean makers reshaping the boundaries of art and design. The talk will be followed by a book signing with the author. *Presented in partnership with the City of Toronto, Economic Development & Culture Division* **Oct 18 Studio Theatre Free**



Photos top to bottom: *faibles de verre* by Charlie Larouche-Potvin, *Shoulder Bag* by Christian Maidankine, Malene Djenaba Barnett, photo by Alaric Campbell, *Ocean Bracelet* by Yalda Mohajer, *Interconnected* by Keenan O'Toole, *Retrograde* by Juliana Scherzer

# Exhibitions

Harbourfront Centre's exhibition spaces present unexpected public art, championing the diversity of artistic disciplines to present conventional and unconventional works from celebrated contemporary Canadian and international artists.

## Fluid Fossils

*Fluid Fossils* is a site-specific mural by Winnipeg-based artist Anna Binta Diallo, exploring themes of time, memory and interdependence through the metaphor of fossils. Using silhouettes of human forms assembled from found images, Diallo creates a visual narrative on the interconnectedness of the past, present and future. Originally exhibited at the Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal, it invites viewers to reflect on how contemporary actions and objects will serve as relics for future generations, emphasizing the importance and responsibility of shaping collective heritage.

**Now until Dec 2025 Ontario Square Parking Pavillion Free**



## Copper Canopy

In the chaos of urban life, we often forget to take a moment to breathe. *Copper Canopy* offers a moment of stillness – inviting visitors to stand beneath something that feels alive. The installation responds to its surroundings, shifting with the light, weather and movement of people passing beneath it, offering a dynamic and reflective space in the heart of the city.

Designed by RAW Works, with Roland Rom Colthoff, Suleman Khan, Elmira Yousefi, Aaron Hendershott and fabricated by Anex Works.

**Sept 27 – Nov 16 Ontario Square Free**

*In partnership with Waterfront BIA*



## Home Game: Toronto Loves Basketball

Now Extended Through October!

Step into Toronto's basketball story like never before. From Canada's role in the invention of the game to the legendary players who shaped it, explore the rise of the Raptors and cheer on the city's newest pride, the Toronto Tempo WNBA team. This interactive exhibition is a slam dunk for fans of all ages.

**Now until Oct 12 225 Queens Quay West Pay What You Wish**

Learn more: [museumoftoronto.com](https://museumoftoronto.com)



# Immersion in Motion

You're invited into a world of movement, music and play with immersive experiences that bring the community together for free-spirited fun, creativity and connection.

## Gatsby Redux

Experience the Jazz Age with *Gatsby Redux*, an immersive outdoor dance performance at Harbourfront Centre that reimagines F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic. This full-length work features an ensemble cast in era costumes, performing to '20s music and contemporary Electro Swing where audiences are invited to follow the cast for a madcap, unconventional and visually stunning Gatsby-style theatrical experience.

**Sept 27–28 Various Venues Ticketed**

*In partnership with Waterfront BIA*

## RESET Unplug. Play. Connect.

Join us for a guided sound journey in our Community Square that ignites joy, connection and play through music and movement. Participants will wear headphones for a 90-minute immersive experience blending music and exploration, drawing on street theatre, sound art and community rituals, transforming this public space into a vibrant site of connection.

**Sept 30 – Oct 5 Community Square Pay What You Wish**

## BEATS-BREATH: Nagata Shachu and Jiro Murayama

Together, Nagata Shachu and Murayama will perform several new compositions and traditional folk festival pieces featuring soaring melodies and spirited drumming.

**Oct 4 The Fleck@Harbourfront Centre Theatre Ticketed**

## Sampradaya Dance Creations presents: Kintsugi

An evocative Indian classical–contemporary dance work inspired by the Japanese art of mending the broken with gold, reimagining timeless tales from the Mahabharata and with AI as creative partner. **Nov 1–2 The Fleck@Harbourfront Centre Theatre Ticketed**

# Garden Serenades

The Toronto Music Garden will transform into an immersive wonderland of music and light, featuring a series of free day and evening live performances paired with stunning interactive light installations. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, find a spot by the water and immerse yourself in the magic of music and community.

*In partnership with Waterfront BIA*

## Music Garden Concerts

**Sept 27–28 & Oct 3–5 Toronto Music Garden Free**

*In partnership with Polaris*

**Begonia**, hailed as Canada's breakout alt-pop diva, has won legions of fans through her legendary live shows. The singer and songwriter has earned two JUNO Award wins, Polaris Prize nods, multiple #1 CBC Radio hits and recognition as one of *NPR's* Artists You Need to Know.



**Land of Talk** is one of Canada's most essential bands, led by the creative force of Lizzie Powell. Trading signature rock riffs for piano-led meditations, their latest album pushes the boundaries of indie rock, promising a live performance that feels cathartic and deeply personal, weaving introspective storytelling with raw, emotional intensity.



**Sean Jones**, celebrated for his smooth soul, R&B and magnetic stage presence, delivers an unforgettable night of music that moves both body and heart. Blending rich vocals, heartfelt storytelling and irresistible grooves, audiences can expect an intimate yet electrifying experience, where soul and passion take centre stage.



**Charlotte Cornfield**, hailed by *Rolling Stone* as "Canada's best-kept secret" and garnering high praise from Iggy Pop, Boygenius and Kurt Vile, is known for her distinctive, influential songwriting voice that blends sharp storytelling with emotional depth. In her captivating live performances, she transforms every stage into an intimate experience, solidifying her as a defining voice in contemporary Canadian music.



For our full lineup of concerts and updates on possible weather cancellations, please visit us online: [harbourfrontcentre.com](https://harbourfrontcentre.com)

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