# SUMMER STREET PARTIES

SAMSARA: June 25 This festival is a free celebra tion outside the Rogers Centre to welcome the International Indian Film Academy awards to Toronto, Two stages, Earth and Fire, will feature traditional and contemporary dance and music while drummers weave through the crowds and films play.

CORAZÓN DE MEXICO: July 8-10 Amaranta Pérez Gay will perform with Mexico City-based puppet troupe Marionetas de la Esquina at the Harbourfront Centre. The three-day festival will also feature clowns, Mexican music, food and handicrafts

TIRGAN IRANIAN FESTIVAL July 21-24 This four-day celebration of Persian culture brings together artists and performers from: dance, music, theatre, film, literature, handicrafts and visual arts. Visitors can sample Iranian food. At the Harbourfront Centre.

JERKFEST: Aug 6-7 Jerk food, live music and dance demonstrations make for a hot family weekend in Centennial Park. This Etobicoke festival is in its 10th year and was started as a way to continue Caribbean celebrations after Caribana.

RONCESVALLES POLISH FESTIVAL: Sept 16-18 The largest Polish festival in Canada always begins with Dozynki, a traditional harvest ritual. The weekend includes dance and music on five stage along Roncesvalles Ave. from Marion St. to Howard Park Ave as well as Polish film at the Revue Cinema. Polish food is



### **CALENDAR**

# Fun finder

A guide to some of the major entertainment events, concerts and festivals taking place this summer throughout southern Ontario



June 16-19: Luminato Festival of Arts & Creativity takes over Toronto with a vast array of

June 16-19: North by Northeast (NXNE) Festival takes over Toronto with over 600 bands

June 16-19: Women Fully Clothed on stage at

June 16-19: Sound of Music Festival in

June 16-Sept. 1: Open Roof Festival is an

June 17: Beach Boys 50th-anniversary show at June 17 & 18: Tim Allen performs at Orillia's

June 17-19: Tottenham Bluegrass Festival

June 17-19: Mississauga Waterfront Festival Page, Spirit of the West and Beatlemania at Port

June 17-19: Vintage Car Racing Festival

June 18: Brian Wilson performs at Toronto's

Massev Hall, 416-872-4255 June 18 & 19: Battle of Black Creek

Revolutionary War Re-enactment at Toronto's June 19-25: Fiesta Week multicultural family

June 20: Sarah McLachlan is at London's John

June 21-Aug. 27: Blyth Festival of Canadian

June 22: Peter Gabriel and the New Blood Orchestra at Molson Amphitheatre,

June 23: Elvis Costello performs at Toronto's

June 24: Darryl Hall & John Oates perform at

June 24 & 25: Thamesville Threshing Festival, June 24-26: Franco-Fete French music and cul-

June 24-July 3: Pride Week festivities take over

June 24-July 3: Toronto Jazz Festival has

June 25: Matthew Morrison of Glee fame per-June 25: Engelbert Humperdinck performs at

June 25: Cobourg Highland Games

June 25-Aug. 31: Little Lake Musicfest in Peterborough celebrates its 25th anniversary with concerts from Steven Page, Serena Ryder,

June 25 & 26: Canadian International Military Tattoo with military music, marching bands and

June 25 & 26: Toronto International Dragon



July 2 & 3: On the Pulse explores boundary-pushing contemporary arts and culture at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre, 416-973-4000 or harbourfrontcentre.com

July 5: Ben Harper performs at Toronto's Sound Academy, 416-870-8000

July 5-17: Donnie & Marie Live at Toronto's Four Season's Centre, dancaptickets.com July 6-10 & 15-16: Bayfest at Sarnia's Centennial Park offers concerts from Kiss, Steve Miller

Antebellum and more, sarniabayfest.com
July 6-17: Fringe Toronto Theatre Festival has
dozens of comedy, drama, dance and children
productions at venues around the city, fringeto

July 7: The Black Keys at Toronto's Molson Amphitheatre, 416-870-8000 July 7 & 8: Julio Iglesias performs at Orillia's Casino Rama, 416-870-8000

July 7-10: Belleville Waterfront & Ethnic Festival, bellevillewaterfrontfestival com

July 7-10: Sunfest, celebrating international and national music and dance, is at London's Victoria Park, sunfest on.ca

July 7-10: Holstein Rodeo Festival, holsteinrodeo.com or 519-334-3794

July 7-16: World Rock Symphony Orchestra performs at Niagara Fallsview Casino,

July 7-Aug. 14: The Bard's Bus Tour

has outdoor theatre with Shakespeare's Macbeth at various Ontario locations,

July 8-10: Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition

(TOAE) in Nathan Phillips Square, torontooutdoorart.org

July 8-10: Stonetown Heritage Festival in St. Marys, townofstmarys.com

July 8-10: Mariposa Folk Festival has Emmylou Harris, Peter Yarrow, Bob Wiseman, David Celia, Michael Pickett and more at Orillia's Tudhope Park, mariposafolk com

July 8-10: Canterbury Folk Festival in Ingersoll,

July 8-10: Corazon de Mexico

offers traditional and contemporary Mexican music, clowning, puppetry and, of course, foo at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre, 416-973-4000 or harbourfront contractors

4000 or harbourfrontcentre.com

July 8-10: Honda Indy Toronto roars through the streets, hondaindytoronto.com

July 8-31: Elora Festival features a variety of classical and contemporary music concerts, elorafestival.com or 1-888-747-7550 July 9: Edgefest '11 with Arkells, Tokyo Police

Club, The Weakerthans, Rise Against and more at Toronto's Downsview Park, 416-870-8000 July 9: Peter Frampton at Molson Amphitheatre, 416-870-8000

July 9: Huey Lewis and the News is at Orillia's Casino Rama, 416-870-8000





## July 9 & 10: Unionville Celtic Festival

July 11: U2 comes to Toronto's Rogers Centre,

July 11: Scream in High Park Carnival of Spoken

July 12-Aug. 19: Carrie Fisher Wishful Drinking on stage at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theatre.

July 13: Lynyrd Skynyrd plays Orillia's Casino

July 14: Trace Adkins performs at Orillia's

July 14-24: Hamilton Fringe Festival.

July 14-Aug. 12: Caribbean Carnival takes over

July 15: Vans Warped Tour comes to Toronto's

July 15 & 16: Cambridge Highland Games pub night, heavy events and more at Churchill

July 15 & 16: Taylor Swift performs at the Air

July 15-17: Uptown Waterloo Jazz Festival.

July 15-17: Home County Folk Festival has Sarah Harmer, Hawksley Workman, Emm Gryner, Garnet Rogers and others at London's Victoria

July 15-17: Colombian Colours II Diaspora Festival explores Columbian culture at Toronto's

July 15-24: Beaches International Jazz Festival

offers a Latin Square, Big Band Stage, the popular streetfest and much more for the music lover. beachesiazz.cor

July 16: Jimmy Buffet at Molson Amphitheatre,

July 16-Aug, 13: Music Niagara has a variety of concerts in Niagara-on-the-Lake, musicniagara.org or 905-468-5566

July 18 & 19: Josh Groban performs at the

July 18-Aug. 21: Stratford Summer Music Festival, stratfordsummermusic.ca July 19-Aug. 13: Toronto Summer Music Festival celebrates Beethoven and the Romantics,

July 20: Cheap Trick plays Orillia's Casino

July 20-Aug. 6: Canopy Theatre presents

July 21-24: Grand Prix of Mosport has

July 21-24: Tirgan Iranian Festival at Toronto's

July 21-24: Collingwood Elvis Festival, 1-866-July 22: Steely Dan at Molson Amphitheatre.

July 22 & 23: Joe Piscopo & Stars of Saturday

July 22-24: Hillside Festival has Dala, Chali 2na, Hannah Georgas, Hollerado, Lights and others

July 22-24: Christmas in July at Hamilton's July 23: Ya Halla! Arab Arts & Cultural Festival at Toronto's Yonge Dundas Square, ydsquare.ca July 23 & 24: Heavy T.O. festival with Megadeth, Rob Zombie, Billy Talent, Slaver,

Park. 416-870-8000 July 28 & 29: Kenny Rogers performs at Orillia's

July 29-31: Mill Race Festival of Traditional Folk Music in Cambridge,



July 29-31: Flectric Eclectics Sound Art & Media Festival in Meaford, electric-eclectics.com July 29-Aug. 1: Irie Music Festival and Yonge Dundas Square, iriemusicfestival.com July 29-Aug. 1: Island Soul Festival at Toronto's

Aug. 3-7: Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship in Shelburne

Aug. 4-7: Kitchener Blues Festival, 519-571-

Aug. 4-14: SummerWorks

summerworks.ca Aug. 5-7: Celtic Roots Festival in Goderich.

Aug. 5-7: Toronto's Festival of Beer takes place

at Bandshell Park, beerfestival.ca Aug. 5-7: What's Classical offers diverse clas-

sical music from across the globe at Toronto's

Aug. 6 & 7: JerkFest celebrates its 10th anniver-

Aug. 9: Journey, Foreigner and Night Ranger at Aug. 12-14: Fortune Cooking looks at Pan-Asian

Aug. 12-14: Fergus Scottish Festival and

Aug. 14: KeSha and others perform at Molson

Aug. 16: Def Leppard and Heart play

Aug. 16-28: Come Fly Away with music from Tharp, is on stage at Toronto's Four Seasons

Aug. 17-21: Prince Edward County Jazz Festival

Aug. 19-21: Superbike Doubleheader Weekend

Aug. 19-21: Masala! Mehndi! Masti!

Aug. 19-21: Markham Jazz Festival

Aug. 19-Sept. 5: Canadian National Exhibition returns with all the favorites.

Aug. 23: Selena Gomez performs



Aug. 25-28: Buskerfest returns to Toronto's St. Lawrence Market area with dozens of performers from around the world, torontoly legistations.

torontobuskerfest.com

Aug. 26-28: CMT Music Festival at Burl's Creek
Park in Oro Station, 416-970-9000

Aug. 26-28: TaiwanFest: Taiwan Rising at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre, 416-973-400 or harbourfrontcentre.com

Aug. 26-28: Three Fires Homecoming Pow Wow and Traditional Homecoming in Hagersville, newcreditpowww.com

Aug. 27: Doors Open in Unionville, unionvilleinfo.com

## SEPTEMBER

Sept. 2-5: Hot & Spicy Food Festival at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre, 416-973-4000 or harbourfrontcentre.com

harbourfrontcentre.com

Sept. 8: The Alexandrov Red Army Choir performs at Toronto's Sony Centre, 416-870-8001

Sept. 8-18: Toronto International Film Festival takes over the city, www.tiff.net Sept. 10: Keith Urban comes to the Air Canada

Centre, 416-870-8000 Sept. 10 & 11: Vegetarian Food Festival at

Toronto's Harbourfront Centre, 416-973-4 or harbourfrontcentre.com