

VENUES Offering Programming for Ontario Culture Days

1. [Cambridge Centre for the Arts](#), Cambridge

The Art Gallery at the Centre for the Arts will be open Saturday 9 – 3

2. [McDougall Cottage](#), Cambridge

Especially for ONCD: [A Taste of Scotland](#)

Saturday, September 28, drop in between 1 and 4 p.m. and join McDougall Cottage for a wee taste of Scotland! They'll be offering free samples of some of Scotland's favourite dishes, like shortbread, cloutie dumpling, haggis (if you dare), and more. Take home some free recipes so you can give them a try yourself! There'll be fun crafts and activities for the kids too.

3. [THEMUSEUM](#), Kitchener

Especially for ONCD: [Creativity, Colour and Maker Culture](#)

Saturday 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Join THEMUSEUM for a number of hands-on activities presented by The Underground Studio Marker Space! Using 3D Pens, create your very own trinket to take home or program the Ozobots to play a song, run through a track, anything you can think of! Plus, snap a pic of light-up art made from squishy circuits, create hidden messages with colour filters, and test your knowledge of tints, shades, and hues.

4. [Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery](#), Kitchener

[The Perennials](#) curated by Crystal Mowry. Featuring the work of Robert Bourdeau, Edward Burtynsky, Jane Buyers, Annie Dunning, Melissa General, Isabelle Hayeur, Ernest Lindner, Jo Manning, Scott McFarland, Meryl McMaster, Ray Mead, Mary Catherine Newcomb, Jenn E Norton, Reinhard Reitzenstein, and Joyce Wieland. *The Perennials* features works from the Permanent Collection that expand on notions of continuity and cultivation. Often relying on a visual language that incorporates botanical life and allusions to what it may mean to be “rooted”, the works in this exhibition also provide insight into an artist's perpetual engagement with a singular subject – and the cycles of renewal that can animate an individual practice over time.

Especially for ONCD: [Family Sunday](#) at KWAG. In collaboration with Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony – Barbara Coal, their Artist in Residence will do a talk on Indigenous medicinal plants. Indigenous music and instruments will be part of the program.

5. [Free Stage & Story Market](#), Kitchener

September 28, 29 from 12PM to 8PM | King St. Centre Block, Downtown Kitchener

MT Space teams up with sister organization **Neruda Arts** to host the *Stage & Story Market*, a free family-friendly outdoor street festival. This is an opportunity to interact with artists and

performers, participate in workshops and storytelling for all ages, and take in unique street performances.

The *Stage & Story Market* is inspired by ancient markets in the Arab world and South Asia, where poets, musicians, circus artists and others gathered to share and exchange their stories. Inspired by tours to festivals in the Middle East and North Africa, they bring this element to their own festival so that audiences and artists alike gain awareness of the communities that surround them. Join them as they occupy the streets, connect across differences, and experience unforgettable cutting-edge art!

6. [Lumen](#), Waterloo

Saturday, September 28 from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m.

A festival of light, art, and technology, [Lumen](#) is held in locations throughout Uptown Waterloo. Lumen showcases light-based new media, media art, and projection-based installations.

At locations throughout Waterloo including [Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery](#), [The Button Factory Community Arts Centre](#), [Waterloo Public Library](#) (see below) and others.

7. [Waterloo Public Library](#)

Saturday September 28

The Main location of the Waterloo Public Library (35 Albert Street) will participate for the second year in the City of Waterloo's Lumen Festival. There will be live and interactive installations that feature light-based media and new media.

Also happening Saturday September 28, Waterloo Public Library will be co-hosting a family arts and creation event at the John M. Harper branch (500 Fischer Hallman Road N) with the Laurelwood Neighbourhood Community Association. This is a drop-in event and everyone is welcome. Participants will have the opportunity make and take their own art projects.

8. [ION Public Art Celebration](#)

Sunday, Sept. 29, 1-4 pm

A celebration of Art along the ION route (the Region's new Light Rail Transit, or LRT!) Join us for a free opening event at the Conestoga Station at 1 pm.. Visit stations that feature public art (some of which will have the artist present), and enjoy additional free activities

POINTS OF INTEREST Along the Way

Cambridge Studio Tour

Enjoy shopping and engaging with artists themselves as they open their studios to the public

Sculpture Garden, Cambridge (Galt)

Old Post Office architecture

School of Architecture

Cambridge Art Galleries

Mary Allen Studio Tour, Waterloo/Kitchener

Victoria Park, Kitchener

Evening Events

Stage & Story Market: 9 pm ticketed shows, Kitchener-Waterloo

Grand River walk, Cambridge (Galt): A walk along the beautiful Grand River through the Galt area of Cambridge will take you past notable architecture, the [Cambridge sculpture garden](#) and the [Pedestrian Footbridge](#). (Note: this stretch along the river is where The Handmaid's Tale has filmed scenes!)

LIKE A LOCAL Food & Drink Suggestions

CRAFT BREWERIES with Kitchens

[Four Fathers Brewing Co.](#), Cambridge

[Abe Erb Brewing](#), locations in [Ayr](#), [Waterloo](#), and [Kitchener](#)
[Descendants](#), Kitchener

COFFEE ROASTERS/Cafes

[Red Circle Coffee Roasters](#), Kitchener

[Monigram Café & Coffee Roasters](#)

[Balzac's Coffee](#), Kitchener

LUNCH or DINNER

[Thirteen Food & Beverage](#), Cambridge

[L.A. Franks](#), Cambridge

[Saffron Restaurant & Bar](#), Cambridge

[Charcoal Steakhouse](#), Kitchener

[TWH Social](#), Kitchener

[Rhapsody Barrel Bar](#), Kitchener

[Wildcraft Grill + Longbar](#), Waterloo

[Proof Kitchen & Lounge](#), Waterloo

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you are looking for a full service hotel: [Radisson Hotel](#), Kitchener
[Crowne Plaza](#), Kitchener

If you enjoy a boutique city hotel: [Delta Waterloo](#)
[The Walper Hotel](#), Kitchener

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