

Saturday, August 1, 2026

Art Around Town

Date and Time: Saturday, August 1 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

Address: Downtown Port Hope

Art Around Town brings local artwork into storefronts and businesses throughout downtown Port Hope as part of the [Port Hope Arts Festival](#). Explore the participating venues below and discover how the community is transforming into one giant art gallery from August 1 until August 16.

View our [festival map](#) (yellow icons) to discover all the locations and participating artists.

- [Atelier on john](#) - 46 John St.
- [Authenticity](#) - 51 Walton Street, Port Hope
- [Bibelot](#) - 68 Walton St.
- [Colour Concepts](#) - 48 Mill St. S.
- [Dwellissimo](#) - 78 Walton St.
- [Ed Hepburn Jewellery](#) - 45 Walton St.
- [Feel Good Company](#) - 52 Walton St.
- [Furby House Books](#) - 65 Walton St.
- [Gallery 34](#) - 34 John St.
- [Ganaraska Art & Framing](#) - 37 Walton St.
- [G Facey](#) - 57 Walton St.
- [Gryphon Books](#) - 28 John St.
- [Holton Flowers](#) - 62 Walton St.
- [Kingsmill Kitchens](#) - 64 Walton St.
- [Northumberland Arts](#) - 8 Queen St.
- [On 2nd Thought](#) - 93 Walton St.
- [Port Hope Public Library](#) - 31 Queen St.
- [Racine Law](#) - 48 Walton St.
- [Riverlines](#) - 48 Mill St. S.
- [Royal LePage](#) - 41 Walton St.
- [Second Helpings](#) - 45 Walton St.
- [Studio 100](#) - 14 Ontario St.
- [Suntree Natural Foods](#) - 19 Ontario St.
- [Tall Birches](#) - 54 Walton St.

Melanie Browne's Thursday Art Group - 'Sisters of the Brush'

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Thursday July 9 - Sunday August 2/2026

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Gallery Hours - Thursday to Saturday - 11-5

- Sunday - 1-4

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Sunday, August 2, 2026

Friends for Life Bike Rally

Date and Time: Sunday, August 2 12:00 pm

Address: Stopping in Port Hope August 2 and 3

The *Friends For Life Bike Rally* began in 1999 as an idea between David Linton and Danny Nashman, who were looking for a way to address a funding crisis at PWA.

In that first year, twenty-four cyclists and a few friends in a support van raised \$45,000 for the foundation. Over time, the Bike Rally has become the sustaining fundraiser for PWA, with thousands of riders and crew having raised over \$18 million dollars over the last two decades.

Over two decades later, the Bike Rally has expanded into two new cities - Kingston, Ottawa and Montréal - and partnered with two new ASOs - Trellis, Bruce House and ACCM - thereby extending the Bike Rally's reach and help.

Join us as hundreds of cyclists and crew complete their 6-day, 600km+ journey to Montreal in support of the life-changing services provided by the Toronto People with AIDS Foundation (PWA), AIDS Community Care

Montreal (ACCM), Bruce House in Ottawa and Trellis HIV & Community Care in Kingston. This year's pedal-powered journey will take place from August 2 to 7, 2026, with a goal of raising \$1.9M for those in need in our communities.

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Pop-up Music at Wesleyville Village

Date and Time: Tuesday, August 4 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 2082 Lakeshore Road

Join us in the schoolyard for free Tuesday evening concerts at Wesleyville Heritage Village, 2082 Lakeshore Road, Port Hope.

Bring your own chair and bug spray. Donations to support Wesleyville Village very welcome.

August 4 - Robin Millar - Classic Country

August 11 - Dave Chown - Singer-Songwriter, Classic Country

August 18 - Gallo and Caz - Folk Music

August 25 - Angie Robinson Austin: Classic Country

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Hometown Premiere of Inklings: Tall Tales, Short Stories

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Join [Two Blue Shirts](#) on Thursday, August 6 at 8:30 p.m. at [Ganaraska Brewing Company](#) for the hometown premiere of *Inklings: Tall Tales, Short Stories*, a Bell Fibe TV1 anthology series inspired by Port Hope. Enjoy an evening of sci-fi, fantasy, comedy, and romance, plus a Q&A with the cast and crew, door prizes, and fresh popcorn. Free admission.

Friday, August 7, 2026

Port Hope Art Crawl

Date and Time: Friday, August 7 4:00 pm

Address: 15 Elias Street, Lent Ln, Port Hope, ON

In celebration of Arts Month, and to kick off the annual [Port Hope Arts Festival](#), [Critical Mass](#) will be offering artists and art lovers a guided tour of some featured locations of the 'Art Around Town' exhibits in downtown Port Hope.

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Saturday, August 8, 2026

Port Hope Arts Festival

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Address: Downtown Port Hope

The annual [Port Hope Arts Festival](#) returns on Saturday, August 8, 2026, featuring many of the traditional favourites, including the 10-Minute Play Series, an outdoor artisan market, wagon rides, hands-on activities, and a community gathering in Memorial Park.

The beloved 10-Minute Play Series will feature 15 different [short plays](#) across 8 locations throughout the day, ranging from comedies to thought-provoking dramas. Performances will take place on the hour and the half hour between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.; each play will be performed 5 times at open-air locations throughout downtown.

[Art Around Town](#) also returns this year, showcasing the work of local artists in various shop windows Downtown. This initiative continues to bring together artists and merchants to transform downtown Port Hope into a vast outdoor gallery. The artwork will be on display from August 1 to August 16.

[The Port Hope Public Library](#) and [Furby House Books](#) have teamed up to present two special poetry events as part of the Festival this year. Author Kate Rogers will deliver a [poetry workshop](#) on August 8 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for current and former caregivers to explore writing as a healing practice. At 1:00 p.m., visit the bookstore for a [poetry reading](#) with Laurie D. Graham and Kate Rogers, featuring selections from their new books, *Calling it Back to Me* and *Baba Yaga and the Girl Who Ate the Rope*.

The outdoor artisan market kicks off at 9:00 a.m. and runs until 4:00 p.m. Over 40 visiting artists will pop up beside the Port Hope Farmers' Market on the back lawn of Town Hall and a portion of Augusta Street to present items ranging from the rare and curious, to the practical and pretty.

In Memorial Park, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., a vast assortment of local organizations will be set up offering hands-on activities to attendees of all ages. It is a great chance to connect with Port Hope's creative community, find out what's happening and try your hand at something new.

[Sounds of the Next Generation \(SONG\)](#) and the [Capitol Theatre](#) are also enhancing the sights and sounds of Arts Festival this year. Join SONG for their SoundStage – an open mic opportunity for the public to showcase their skills as groups or solo act. Bring your instrument, your poetry or your voice, and get ready to shine! Sign up in advance to claim your spot.

Additionally, the Capitol Theatre is hosting an outdoor concert on Queen Street **[Under the Marquee](#)** at 8:00 p.m. with Nicholas Campbell & The Metre Cheaters! Enjoy a high-energy night of hot-rod rockabilly and smooth crooning from this local legend, all under the beautiful Port Hope night sky.

For more Arts Festival details or arts related programming in Port Hope in the month of August, visit: porthope.ca/arts-festival

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Under the Marquee

Date and Time: Saturday, August 8 8:00 pm

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Nicholas Campbell & The Metre Cheaters

August 8 at 8:00pm

Join us as we celebrate ArtsFest with an outdoor concert that you won't soon forget! We'll gather in front of the Capitol for a night of music from local legend, Nicholas Campbell & The Metre Cheaters.

Merging the sounds of rockabilly from the genres golden era with a crooning style like no other, Nicholas Campbell is the real deal. Campbell first picked up the guitar at age 10 and was gigging by 11. Having found a fresh start during the pandemic, Nicholas began playing consistently with his band, The Meter Cheaters, who quickly rediscovered their groove as live shows began to become an option once again and they wasted no time in seizing the opportunity. Now touring his third studio album, he's coming to the streets of Port Hope to headline our annual Under The Marquee.

"He bills his music as 'hot-rod rockabilly' and has the chops to back it up" - CBC

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Movies in the Park

Date and Time: Wednesday, August 12 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Address: 44 Queen St, Port Hope

Feature Event: Yes

Join us for an outdoor movie in Memorial Park. On movie nights, bring your blankets and lawn chairs to our pop-up, open-air theatre in downtown Port Hope.

Come downtown early to explore our business district and enjoy a meal (dine-in or takeout) from one of our local restaurants. Some concessions will be available for purchase in the park.

Show time is dusk. Our Movies in the Park series presents films for the whole family; where possible, movies will be shown with subtitles.

If there is severe weather on movie night, the experience will be moved indoors to our rain venue: Fall Fair Centre, 62 McCaul St.

2026 Movies in the Park Line-up:

June 30 - [The Wild Robot](#) with a free BBQ hosted by [CUPE Local 416](#) starting at 5pm

July 29 - [The Muppet Christmas Carol](#)

August 12 - [Indiana Jones Raiders of the Lost Ark](#)

August 26 - [Inside Out 2](#)

September 2 - [The Sponge Bob Movie: Sponge on the Run](#) *rescheduled from July 15

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IRIE VIBES 2026 (@irievibesfestival)

Date and Time: Saturday, August 15 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Address: Memorial Park, Port Hope, ON

Irie Vibes 2026 (@irievibesfestival) is a free, family-friendly celebration of Caribbean culture, community, and music taking place **Saturday, August 15, 2026 (4PM–10PM)** in **Memorial Park and the downtown core of Port Hope**.

Created in loving memory of **Irie Cy Wonder**, the festival is powered by local non-profit **ThatGood School of Music & Arts (@thatgooddotca)** and brings together live DJs, guest performers, cultural dance, a dual market place (**Island Market** featuring Caribbean cuisine & goods + **Local Love Lane** showcasing Northumberland makers), children's activities, and community partner engagement.

Highlights:

- Live music & cultural performances
- Caribbean + local food vendors (including Jamaican, Bajan, Trinidadian, Guyanese & more)
- Artisan & small business marketplace
- Volunteer-powered community event
- Inclusive, no-alcohol, family atmosphere

Want to Vend, Sponsor, or Partner?

Caribbean and local vendors invited. Limited spaces. Email emailirievibes@gmail.com.

Accessibility: Outdoor, mostly flat park setting; nearby municipal parking; accessible washrooms where available. Please email with specific accommodation requests.

Follow for updates: [@irievibesfestival](https://www.instagram.com/irievibesfestival).

Ganaraska Treetop Trekking Night Experience

Date and Time: Saturday, August 15 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm

Address: 10585 Cold Springs Camp Rd, Port Hope, ON L0A 1B0

Let the moon be your guide.

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Sunday, August 16, 2026

Show & Shine for Spencer Devine - charity event car show

Date and Time: Sunday, August 16 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: 62 McCaul St, Port Hope Fairgrounds

5th Annual Charity Car Show - 62 McCaul St, Port Hope Fairgrounds. Rain or Shine!

AWARDS. PRIZE TABLE. KIDS ACTIVITIES

Mat Marcuz - live music

Chris Martell DJ - spinning tunes

Greg Leavitt MC - keeping us on track.

Doations accepted at registration. Proceeds will support mental health awareness and resources in our local communities.

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Every Thursday night in July and August!

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YASSiN & Sean Terrio with Plainville United

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Piner with TBD

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Tell It To Sweeney

July 23

School House with Bradley McAree

July 30

Nina Volcan with Camilo Restrepo

August 6

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The Ganaraska Hotel will be busy on Saturday. The Dixie Demons perform Dixieland jazz in the afternoon, and Canadian Blues award-winning Angelique Francis and her band will electrify in the evening.

On Sunday, the second centenary birth celebration of the Festival—this time for Miles Davis—will be performed by the Steve Holt Impact Quintet at the Ganaraska Brewery.

The final performance of the Festival will be on Sunday afternoon in Port Hope United Church. Gord Sheard, pianist and Colleen Allen, saxophone, will perform Jazz Vespers.

Port Hope Jazz is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization passionate about delivering the best of Canadian Jazz to residents and visitors in Port Hope, Ontario.

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Test your knowledge and enjoy a fun night out at [Ganaraska Brewing Company's](#) weekly Trivia Night, happening every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Gather everyone, grab a drink, and compete for bragging rights in a friendly, lively atmosphere.

Movies in the Park

Date and Time: Wednesday, August 26 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Address: 44 Queen St, Port Hope

Feature Event: Yes

Join us for an outdoor movie in Memorial Park. On movie nights, bring your blankets and lawn chairs to our pop-up, open-air theatre in downtown Port Hope.

Come downtown early to explore our business district and enjoy a meal (dine-in or takeout) from one of our local restaurants. Some concessions will be available for purchase in the park.

Show time is dusk. Our Movies in the Park series presents films for the whole family; where possible, movies will be shown with subtitles.

If there is severe weather on movie night, the experience will be moved indoors to our rain venue: Fall Fair Centre, 62 McCaul St.

2026 Movies in the Park Line-up:

June 30 - [The Wild Robot](#) with a free BBQ hosted by [CUPE Local 416](#) starting at 5pm

July 29 - [The Muppet Christmas Carol](#)

August 12 - [Indiana Jones Raiders of the Lost Ark](#)

August 26 - [Inside Out 2](#)

September 2 - [The Sponge Bob Movie: Sponge on the Run](#) *rescheduled from July 15

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Address: 44 Queen St, Port Hope

Join us for free, family friendly programming featuring some of Canada's best musicians, local vendors and fun for everyone.

Bring a blanket and those you love the most and celebrate the season with some free entertainment in the park.

Every Thursday night in July and August!

Memorial Park, Downtown Port Hope

6pm - 8pm

July 2

YASSiN & Sean Terrio with Plainville United

July 9 *cancelled due to rain

Piner with TBD

July 16 *cancelled due to air quality

Tell It To Sweeney

July 23

School House with Bradley McAree

July 30

Nina Volcan with Camilo Restrepo

August 6

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Monday, August 31, 2026

RINK - Pre-Season Prep Hockey Camp

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Address: Jack Burger Sports Complex, 60 Highland Dr, Port Hope, ON L1A 3Z7

Location: Jack Burger Sports Complex, 60 Highland Dr, Port Hope, ON L1A 3Z7

Date: Aug. 31 - Sept. 4, 2026

Camp Descriptions:

Player Camp: The Pre-Season Prep Camp encompasses everything you will need to be prepared heading into the hockey season. Offered exclusively in the last week of summer, this camp is specifically designed to get players back on the ice to shake off the summer rust. Camp features an added GRIT package focused on elements of battling, competitiveness, and sweat equity. Pre-Season Prep Camp will hone your skills and make your game stand out as you move into the 2026/27 season. We pride ourselves in giving all players the opportunity to participate. To remain inclusive this camp is open to House League, Rep and Select players. Groups will be split and all players will be challenged to their respective level.

Goalie Camp: RINK Goalie summer camps have become a staple for goalies during the off-season and heading into their winter season. The Pre-season Prep camp is for goalies focused on improving their fundamentals and preparing for game situations through a variety of drills. The aspects that goalies will work through include Position Specific Movement, Puck Tracking, Rebound Control, Rush Management, net Play, Puck Handling, Edge work and more! To remain inclusive this camp is open to House League, Rep and Select goalies. Groups will be split and all goalies will be challenged to their respective level.

Each day includes:

(1) 60-minute on-ice session | (1) 60-minute dryland session | (1) 60-minute classroom / lecture / team building activity

Groups:

U7 (2020-2021) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

Drop Off: 8:00am Pick Up: 12:00pm

U9 (2018-2019) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

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U11 (2017-2016) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

Drop Off: 8:00am Pick Up: 12:00pm

U13 (2015-2014) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

Drop Off: 11:45am Pick Up: 4:00pm

U15 (2013-2012) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

Drop Off: 11:45am Pick Up: 4:00pm

U18 (2011-2008) | Monday, Aug. 31, 2026 - Friday, Sept. 4, 2026

Drop Off: 11:45am Pick Up: 4:00pm

Player Birth Year: 2021-2008 | **Gender:** Co-ed

Spots: 16 Players & 2 Goalies per group

Price:

Players - \$329.00 + tax & fees

Goalies - \$329.00 + tax & fees

Payment Options:

One time payment

or

\$200.00 down, remainder every 1 day, for 1 payment(s), starting on 8/1/2026