

Saturday, November 1, 2025

St. Mark's Hollyberry Bazaar and Tea

Date and Time: Saturday, November 1 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Address: 51 King Street Port Hope Ontario L1A 2R6

We welcome you to our annual **Hollyberry Bazaar and Tea** featuring hot lunch in our Tea Room (\$10), Home baking, wide selection of Preserves, Specialty Items, White Elephant Room, Books and puzzles. Free admission. Fully accessible.

Pumpkin Parade

Date and Time: Saturday, November 1 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: 15 Elias Street (The Little Station on Lent Lane)

Critical Mass is excited to present the seventh annual **Pumpkin Parade**, on Saturday, November 1st.

This free event takes place on the night *after* Halloween (November 1st) and gives the community an opportunity to show off their creative designs and display their jack-o-lanterns for *all to see* one last time!

At the end of the evening, pumpkins can be gathered up by local farmers to use as feed. Any remaining pumpkins will be composted courtesy of **Harnden Haulage**, facilitated by the Municipality of Port Hope. Please note, we cannot compost painted pumpkins. Please bring painted pumpkins only.

Bring your pumpkins out to shine one last time on Lent Lane in Downtown Port Hope!

PUMPKIN DROP-OFF:

3:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Bring your carved pumpkins (with a tea light or LED candle) to Lent Lane between 3:00pm & 5:30pm on Saturday, November 1st. When you arrive for pumpkin drop-off, volunteers and signage will be onsite to help guide you between 3-5:30 pm. If you need to bring your pumpkin(s) sooner, follow the signage and place your pumpkin in a row along the lane.

PUMPKIN PARADE / VIEWING:

6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

The viewing of the lit pumpkins runs from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

To manage a safe distance for all community members, viewing of the pumpkins will be facilitated in one-direction only, starting at the Little Station in Lent Lane and working your way north to Walton Street.

PROGRAMMING:

Follow the pumpkin parade route from the Little Station, and continue to the end of the lit pumpkins along the lane (typically across from the Tiny Station free library at Furby House Books).

Parking is available in the Elias Street Parking lot.

Connect with friends and neighbours, while viewing our parade of pumpkins. Enjoy some:

- Hot Chocolate
- Seasonal Tunes
- Animated Projections on the Little Station
- & Treats!

While this annual event is **free to attend** and hot chocolate is complementary, pay what you can (pwyc) donations to Critical Mass are greatly appreciated to support our efforts to bring free arts experiences and programming to the community. We will also have a booth set up at the Little Station with early-bird Goose Ball Tickets, and Critical Mass memberships.

COVID PROTOCOLS:

We are mindful that COVID is still prevalent in the community, we encourage members of the public to wear a mask if they are feeling ill and to keep a safe distance from others when viewing the pumpkins.

ACCESSIBILITY:

The event is suitable for all ages and is stroller and wheelchair accessible.

DOGS:

If you bring your furry friend along, please keep them on a short leash, to avoid getting tangled up with other parade goers.

RAIN or SHINE.

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For more information contact:

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Saturday, November 8, 2025

Clay Commons Holiday Market

Date and Time: Saturday, November 8 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: 236 Walton St, port hope

Come on out and shop ceramics, vintage clothing, jewelry, home goods, and more!

236 Walton Street

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Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 11 10:15 am - 11:45 am

Address: Memorial Park, 44 Queen Street, Port Hope, ON

Feature Event: Yes

The annual Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph in Memorial Park is scheduled for Tuesday November 11.

This ceremony is organized by the **Port Hope Legion, Branch 30**. Legion members, colour troops and piper will gather in Lent Lane at 10:15 a.m. to march down the lane to Memorial Park for the Remembrance Day Service at 10:30 a.m. at the Cenotaph.

A portion of Augusta and Queen Streets will be closed to ensure a traffic free corner during the ceremony and safe spectator viewing/participation in the service beginning at 10:15 a.m. Please do not park inside the road closure and plan your route accordingly.

Thursday, November 13, 2025

Tammie's Jammies Launch Party

Date and Time: Thursday, November 13 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 17 Queen Street, Port Hope, Ontario, L1A 2Y8

You are officially invited to the Tammie's Jammies Launch Party on *Thursday November the 13th* from 5:00 -7:00 at Ganaraska Financial Credit Union In Port Hope.

Together with the Port Hope Police, we are raising pajamas and funds for the children's foundation!

Tammie's Jammies has had incredible success in previous years and we are looking forward to exceeding last years PJ count of over 2100 pairs.

This event will be a chance for the community to network and enjoy some hot apple cider and a cookie. A great way to get into the festive spirit!

Details:

Date - Thursday 13th November

Time- 5:00-7:00pm

Location - Ganaraska Financial Credit Union, 17 Queen Street, Port Hope

Saturday, November 15, 2025

87th Annual Christmas Fayre at Port Hope United Church

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 34 South Street, Port Hope

Join us for a time honored tradition! Our 87th Annual Christmas Fayre wil be held on Saturday November 15, 2025 from 9am to 1pm. We will offer a wonderful selection of homemade baking, preserves, delicatessen food s, as well as handmade crafts, knitting and seasonal decor for your home or gifting. New this year! - a number o f local vendors will be on hand to enhance your shopping experience. A light lunch will also be served from 11: 00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m, including homemade soup, roll, coffee/tea and cookie for only \$10/person. This event is wheel chair accessible, with free admission and parking. Purchasing by cash and debit (sorry no credit). All are welcome!

The Great Gingerbread Build Off

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Address: Various locations

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Jazz concert featuring Carlos Del Junco and the Blues Mongrels

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: 51 King Street Port Hope Ontario L1A 2R6

St. Mark's Anglican Church is thrilled to present 2x Juno nominee and 8x Canadian Maple Blues award winner **Carlos Del Junco and the Blues Mongrels** in concert at the church. There are a limited number of tickets avai lable at \$35 - cash at the door or e-transfer stepstreet1@gmail.com.

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Address: 20 Queen Street, port hope

Feature Event: Yes

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How long is the show?

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Sunday, November 23, 2025

Northumberland Antique/Vintage Show and Sale

Date and Time: Sunday, November 23 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Cobourg Lions Centre, 157 Elgin Street E

The Canadian Fire Fighters Museum is hosting the Northumberland Antique/Vintage Show and Sale. Proceeds are directed to opening and operating the museum and supporting its collection.

Adults \$5 at the door, children under 10 are free.

30 Vendors including refreshments.

Sponsored by Jacqueline Pennington, Henderson Construction and Antiques on Queen.

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Friday, November 28, 2025

Port Hope Candlelight Festival

Date and Time: Friday, November 28 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: Downtown Port Hope

Feature Event: Yes

Mark your calendars for Friday, November 28, 2025, from 4-9PM, because this year’s [Candlelight Festival](#) in downtown Port Hope is going to be bigger and brighter than ever! We’re celebrating the conclusion of three years of construction and kicking-off the holiday season with a huge holiday party!

Here’s just some of what’s in store:

- District-wide downtown street closure
- Candlelight Walk & Park Lighting (6PM) – bring your candles and caroling voices!
- Moonlight Madness with businesses open late!
- Outdoor Artisan Market & Food vendors
- Firepits, street performances, live music - and a bunch of other festive surprises!

Visit porthope.ca/candlelight-festival more details.

Candlelight Festival: Wagon Rides

Date and Time: Friday, November 28 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: Downtown Port Hope, Walton Street

Feature Event: Yes

Take a ride on a horse-drawn wagon throughout downtown Port Hope this holiday season!

The rides are being provided by Top Notch Carriage Service on 4 different dates as part of the [Port Hope Candlelight Festival](#).

- Friday November 28 from 5:00pm – 8:00pm
- The pickup location is Walton Street, south side, beside Penny & Co. across the street from Queenies Bake Shop.

- Saturday December 6 from 11:00am until 2:00pm
- Saturday December 13 from 11:00am until 2:00pm
- Saturday December 20 from 11:00am until 2:00pm
- The pickup location is Walton Street, north side, out front Queenies Bake Shop.

Wagon rides are free and will run in a loop through downtown Port Hope. Special thanks to [Enbridge](#) for their seasonal sponsorship of these rides.

Please note there are a few steps to get up into the wagon. The ride is approximately 15 minutes in duration. There is a roof on the wagon, however, all riders should dress in layers for the winter weather!

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Saturday, November 29, 2025

Port Hope Santa Claus Parade

Date and Time: Saturday, November 29 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: Downtown Port Hope

Feature Event: Yes

The Port Hope Santa Claus Parade is a part of our holiday kick-off weekend in Port Hope, taking place the day after our Candlelight Festival.

The 89th annual Port Hope Santa Claus Parade is scheduled for Saturday, November 29, 2025. The cavalcade of festive sights and sounds, featuring marching bands and floats from many local businesses, clubs and community groups, will make its way through the streets of Port Hope.

Parade route: Ridout Street, Walton Street, Queen Street. The Parade kicks off at the top of the parade route (in intersection of Ridout and Bramley) at 1:00 p.m. sharp. Please note road closures will be in effect (along the parade route) starting at 11:30 a.m. Roads will be opened directly following the parade at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Please do not park at bagged meters to keep the route clear. There are free parking lots located throughout the downtown. Local transit will also be running (and is free!), and residents are encouraged to walk to viewing locations along the route where possible.

All spectators are asked to spread themselves out along the 1.2km route. Spectators are encouraged to pack supplies (snacks, water, extra mittens!) to help make the waiting experience a little more enjoyable. The parade is rain, snow, or shine. If you're so inclined you can bring letters to Santa, non-perishable food items, and/or an unwrapped toy, which will all be collected along the route.

To participate in the Parade, please visit www.porthopesantaclausparade.ca to view parade guidelines and fill out an application form. Walking parties, floats, and decorated vehicles all welcome. Registration is open to all local businesses, organizations, and sport groups. Your participation will help create a vibrant and colourful parade experience for all!

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The Brian Barlow Big Band with Justin Bacchus and Kalya Ramu

Date and Time: Saturday, November 29 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Port Hope United Church, 34 South Street, Port Hope

Come and enjoy the magic of the holidays at this family-friendly event. The concert will feature the music of **Duke Ellington’s Nutcracker Suite and A Charlie Brown Christmas**. It will be a great way to kick off your fes

tive season following the Port Hope Santa Claus parade.

This is an all-ages event. Wine, beer and non-alcoholic refreshments will be available so you can enjoy a relaxing drink while enjoying the amazing music. An accessibility ramp and free parking are available. Adults \$35, students half price, and children 12 and under FREE!

Tickets are available exclusively through Eventbrite. To secure your seats, visit <https://www.porthopejazz.com>

“It was my favourite moment of the holidays last year.” - Audience member 2024.

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Messiah Sing Along

Date and Time: Sunday, November 30 3:00 pm

Address: Trinity United Church, 284 Division Street, Cobourg On

Calling all Handel buffs! Dust off your scores and join Oriana Singers to sing your favourite sections of Handel's beloved Messiah. With guest soloists and baroque orchestra, it's sure to be a magical and memorable experience.

The Great Gingerbread Build Off

Date and Time: Sunday, November 30 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: Various locations

Hey parents — want a fun, festive activity that gives back? Join Habitat for Humanity Northumberland's Great Gingerbread Build-Off! We're offering free kids' gingerbread workshops — eight sessions over three weekends — where children decorate their own gingerbread house, meet Gingy, and enjoy holiday fun while supporting local affordable housing.

Registration is open now, but spots are limited! Visit habitatnorthumberland.ca/gingerbread to sign up today.

Seasons of Song - Broadway's Best & Festive Favourites

Date and Time: Sunday, November 30 7:00 pm

Address: 34 South St., Port Hope

An amazing concert performed by five of Canada's best musical theatre singers, who have been on stages across Canada and on the high seas on cruise ships. They will sing all your favourite show tunes, and your beloved Christmas songs.

Hansel and Gretel: The Sticky and Sweet Panto

Date and Time: Sunday, November 30 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: 20 Queen Street, port hope

Feature Event: Yes

A twisted take on the stickiest fairy tale we could find.

Hansel and Gretel are siblings who are abandoned in a forest, and due to some rather unfortunate navigation, they fall into the hands of a nasty witch who lives in a gingerbread house. With songs you know and love, hilarious characters, and the silliest of stories, this sugar-laden panto will have you rolling in the aisles!

Who is this show for?

As in past years, the Capitol has performances suitable for both the 'Naughty', suitable for a mature audience; and the 'Nice', suitable for young audiences and families.

Ok, but what is a Panto?

Pantomime or panto is a holiday theatre tradition of organized chaotic comedy, with slapstick jokes, songs, and dancing. It's also highly interactive, making it a joyful experience for artists and audiences alike. Pantos are typically based on fairy tales or legends – familiar tales that can be shaped into new stories for today.

“Pantos are magical – colourful in style, set and language, and just so much fun. Northumberland county takes holiday celebrations seriously, and the panto has become an annual tradition for many folks in the area. We produce an original panto every year, so you're going to see and hear something new each time.” ~Capitol Artistic D

irector Rob Kempson.

How long is the show?

Run time is approximately 120 minutes.

Are there special performances?

Pay-what-you-can preview – [November 21](#)

Indigenous Community Night – [December 5](#)

TICKETS from \$22 – \$48 including taxes and fees.

[Group Discounts](#) also available for celebrations of 15 or more guests.

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