

Welcome to Gathering on the Green 2017 Saturday June 3rd



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This year's date is Saturday June 3rd.

I have migrated over to Mail Chimp as the amount of contacts has grown to big to manage without a mail management program. Email addresses will stay the same. Very happy to be growing up with all of you.

I will be using this email address for Gathering on the Green communications and any questions can be directed here and I will be sending out information and maps as the event gets closer.

This will mostly be a repeat of the earlier email.

First we would like to thank everyone who has taken part in London's biggest community festival over the years. It is the people involved that make this such a great event. This will be our 35th year and last year we passed the \$100,000 invested back in our community.

Last year alone, and this list is not complete we sponsored, Helped

two Syrian Refugee families come to Canada, Sponsored Halloween in the Village and Xmas in the Village, Our continued commitment to the YMCA, South Secondary Barefoot walk, all of our communities breakfast programs, The Thames River Rally, and many more.

We would like to say thank you for supporting us. You have made a large part of this possible. It has been our pleasure to watch some of our crafters grow into prosperous businesses.

Last year was our biggest gathering of the Green ever and we are hoping to build on the success. (I seem to say this every year now)

Gathering on the Green is not only London's largest community festival, it is also one of London's largest local handmade festival.

We are very proud that all goods at Gathering on the Green are handmade by local crafters. GoGII in its first year became London's largest hand made local festival with over 170 local crafters coming.

As last year we sold out in two days we are expanding crafter space this year. And yes the construction is over! The expansion is towards the NE corner of Wortley and Elmwood. We think this is a great place to expand as it make a natural entryway to the village. It is also shaded. We have been listening to your comments and this should provide with over 100 spaces for crafters and is also shaded. Last year we only had room for 80.



Your support of events like Gathering on the Green are the reason Old South was voted Canada's greatest neighbourhood.

As per tradition Vendor applications will be available on April 1st at Curiosities. Site map will also be available there. A big thank you to Curiosities for taking on this responsibility once again. I will email out the vendor application a little closer to April 1st. We will not be taking applications via email. They will as always be done at Curiosities. We recommend applying early to reserve a spot as we are expected to fill up early again this year but hope the added space helps this out.

174 1/2 Wortley Road, Wortley Village Old South



The main changes will be the expansion. We will have tables from the hedge on Elmwood, all the way along Wortley, joining up with the usual on Duchess and back again on Marley. With the construction over we will have more space for our kids activities and we will keep the Kids tables together again. Stage will stay in same spot at NE corner of green as most liked the location and it allows for continuous crafter spaces along Wortley.

Tea Garden, Silent Auction, Kids area and All day Music as always.

Cost and guidelines have not changed otherwise.

Craft table space is available to local craftspeople who enjoy their craft as a hobby from their home, not from a place of business. The craft must not be their main source of income and must be made by the crafter themselves.

The Gathering starts at 10 a.m. and finishes between 4 and 5 p.m.

Craft table set-up begins at 8:30 a.m. NOT BEFORE

- 10' space for the day is \$50 plus a craft donation to the gathering on the green auction. (\$20 is non- refundable upon cancellation,

May 18th refund deadline)

- Gathering on the Green is a rain or shine event
- Children under 16 may rent a 10 foot space for \$15 (\$3 is non-refundable)
- No food or drink sales permitted; vehicles must be off Green by 10am
- You must supply your own table and chair, etc.
- Please submit your application at Curiosities *before May 18th, 2017*
Although this is cut off date we usually sell out very early.
- Cheques should be made payable to “The Gathering on the Green” along with a business card with contact information
- You may choose your approximate location at time of payment
- OSCO asks that you consider environmentally friendly packaging.
- You hereby agree to abide by any directions from Gathering or OSCO officials

We hope you will join us for Gathering on the Green 2017.