

2026 Special Events Schedule/Days of Significance, Observances and Celebrations

Approved Events

Date	Time	Event Name	Estimated Attendance	Confirmed Location	Event Type	Event Organizer	Road Closure
APRIL							
4/1/2026 – 4/30/2026		Sikh Heritage Month					
4/1/2026 – 4/9/2026		Pesach (Passover)					
4/2/2026		World Autism Day					
4/3/2026		Good Friday					
4/4/2026	12pm - 2pm	Hespeler Village Easter Egg Hunt	600	Downtown Hespeler - Queen Street from Guelph Avenue to Tannery Street	Public Free	BIA	
4/5/2026		Easter Sunday					
4/6/2026		Easter Monday					
4/8/2026		International Day of Pink					
4/9/2026		Vimy Ridge Day					
4/13/2026 – 4/14/2026		Holocaust Memorial Day – Yom Ha-Shoah (sundown)					
4/14/2026		Vaisakhi					
4/16/2026	3pm - 5pm	Navigating a Life Changing Diagnosis: 7 Keys for More Choice and Control	100	Preston Auditorium - Preston Hall	Public Free	Community Group	
4/19/2026 – 4/25/2026		National Volunteer Week					
4/22/2026		Earth Day					
4/28/2026		National Day of Mourning for Workers					

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MAY	
5/1/2026 – 5/31/2026	Asian Heritage Month
5/1/2026 – 5/31/2026	Canadian Jewish Heritage Month
5/1/2026 – 5/31/2026	Dutch Heritage Month
5/4/2026	International Fire Fighters Day
5/5/2026	National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (Red Dress Day)
5/4/2026 – 5/10/2026	Mental Health Awareness Week
5/10/2026	Mother's Day
5/14/2026	Moose Hide Campaign Day
5/17/2026	International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, Biphobia
5/18/2026	Victoria Day
5/21/2026	Global Accessibility Awareness Day
5/21/2026 – 5/23/2026	Shavuot (sundown)
5/24/2026 – 5/30/2026	National Accessibility Week
5/25/2026	International Missing Children's Day
5/27/2026	Red Shirt Day of Action for Accessibility and Inclusion
5/27/2026	Eid Al-Adha
JUNE	
6/1/2026 – 6/30/2026	National Indigenous History Month
6/1/2026 – 6/30/2026	Filipino Heritage Month
6/1/2026 – 6/30/2026	Portuguese Heritage Month
6/1/2026 – 6/30/2026	Italian Heritage Month
6/1/2026 – 6/30/2026	Pride Season
6/6/2026	London (Ontario) Muslim Family Attack
6/21/2026	Summer Solstice
6/21/2026	Father's Day
6/21/2026	National Indigenous Peoples Day

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6/27/2026	Multiculturalism Day
JULY	
7/1/2026 – 7/31/2026	Disability Pride Month
7/1/2026	Canada Day
AUGUST	
8/1/2026	Emancipation Day
8/3/2026	Civic Holiday
8/9/2026	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
8/31/2026	International Overdose Awareness Day
SEPTEMBER	
9/6/2026 – 9/12/2026	Mennonite Heritage Week
9/7/2026	Labour Day
9/7/2026	Ukrainian Heritage Day
9/8/2026	International Day of Literacy
9/10/2026	World Suicide Prevention Day
9/11/2026 – 9/13/2026	Rosh Hashanah
9/20/2026	Terry Fox Run
9/20/2026 – 9/21/2026	Yom Kippur (sundown)
9/21/2026	International Day of Peace
9/21/2026 – 9/27/2026	International Week of Deaf People
9/23/2026	International Day of Sign Languages
9/23/2026	Autumn Equinox
9/25/2026	Franco-Ontarian Day
9/30/2026	Orange Shirt Day (National Day of Truth and Reconciliation)
OCTOBER	

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10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	Women's History Month
10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	Islamic Heritage Month
10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	Bullying Prevention Awareness Month
10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	Disability Employment Awareness Month
10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	German Heritage Month
10/1/2026 – 10/31/2026	Hispanic and Latino History Month
10/4/2026	National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
10/4/2026 – 10/10/2026	Fire Prevention Week
10/5/2026 – 10/10/2026	Mental Illness Awareness Week
10/10/2026	World Mental Health Day
10/11/2026 – 10/20/2026	Navaratri
10/12/2026	Thanksgiving Day
10/28/2026 – 10/24/2026	Invisible Disability Week
10/31/2026	Halloween
NOVEMBER	
11/1/2026 – 11/30/2026	Hindu Heritage Month
11/1/2026 – 11/30/2026	Mo-Vember Men's Health
11/1/2026 – 11/30/2026	Indigenous Disability Month
11/1/2026 – 11/7/2026	Treaties Recognition Week
11/5/2026 – 11/11/2026	Veterans Week
11/7/2026	Inuit Day
11/8/2026	National Indigenous Veterans Day
11/8/2026	Diwali
11/11/2026	Remembrance Day
11/13/2026 – 11/19/2026	Transgender Awareness Week
11/16/2026 – 11/20/2026	Ontario's Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week
11/20/2026	Transgender Day of Remembrance
11/22/2026	National Housing Day

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11/25/2026 – 12/10/2026	16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence
11/29/2026 – 12/24/2026	Advent
DECEMBER	
12/1/2026	World AIDS Day
12/3/2026	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
12/4/2026 – 12/12/2026	Hanukkah
12/6/2026	National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
12/21/2026	Winter Solstice
12/24/2026	Christmas Eve
12/25/2026	Christmas Day
12/26/2026 – 1/1/2027	Kwanzaa
12/31/2026	New Year's Eve

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Events in Approval Process

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APRIL							
4/17/2026 - 4/19/2026	Friday 4pm - 8pm Saturday 11am - 5pm Sunday 11am - 5pm	Cambridge Home and Lifestyle Show	2,000 (per day)	Duncan McIntosh Arena	Public, Free	Community Group	
MAY							
5/2/2026	7am – 4pm	Cambridge Moves for Mental Health	250	Civic Square	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/2/2026 - 5/3/2026	9am – 6pm	Ultimate Canada High School Invitation	300	Fountain Street Soccer Complex	Public, Cost	Community Group	
5/3/2026	11:30am – 2:30pm	Battle of Atlantic	70	Churchill Park	Private	Community Group	
5/4/2026	12:30pm - 2:30pm	FaLun DaFa Day Flag Raise event	25	Cambridge City Hall	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/5/2026 - 6/30/2026	3pm - 6pm	Greenway-Chaplin Street Market	25	Greenway-Chaplin Street Market	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/11/2026	6pm - 7pm	Polish Flag Raising Ceremony	50-100	Cambridge City Hall Civic Square	Public, Free	Community Group	

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5/16/2026	5:30pm – 11:30pm	IPW Professional Wrestling	120	Duncan McIntosh Arena	Public, Cost	Community Group	
5/16/2026	11am-6pm	Momma's Cookout Cooking Demo	100	City Hall Civic Square	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/16/2026	8:30am - 10am	The 401	100	Riverside Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
5/23/2026	10am - 2pm	Public Works Open House 2026	1500	Bishop Operations Centre (BOC) - 1310 Bishop St N	Public, Free	City of Cambridge	
5/28/2026 – 5/31/2026	Thurs 5pm - 10pm Fri 5pm - 10pm Sat 11am - 10pm Sun 11am - 5pm	75th Annual Preston Kin Carnival	10000 (per day)	Riverside Park - Mickler Field	Public Free	Community Group	
5/29/2026 - 10/2/2026	Fridays 3pm – 7pm	Hespeler Village Market	400	11 Tannery Street East	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/30/2026	11am – 3:30pm	IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's	75	Churchill Park	Public, Free	Community Group	

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5/30/2026	8am - 2:30pm	Annual Neighbourhood Day - Hespeler Village Neighbourhood Association	150	Hespeler Arena	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/30/2026	9:30am - 12:30pm	Safe Families KW - Cambridge Riverbluffs Fun Run/Walk	100	Riverbluffs Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
5/30/2026	10am - 2:30pm	NAAW Kickoff event	400	Cambridge City Hall Bowman Room & Civic Square	Public, Free	City of Cambridge	
JUNE							
6/6/2026	11am – 3pm	Neighbourhood Day – Kinbridge Community Association	1,000	Churchill Park	Public, Free	Neighbourhood Association	
6/6/2026	9am – 3pm	Chariot Fest	Event Cancelled				
6/6/2026	9:30am - 11:30am	Portugal Day Parade	1000	Downtown Galt	Public, Free	Community Group	
6/13/2026	2:30pm – 8pm	Fiddlesticks Annual Neighbourhood Day Carnival	650	Fiddlesticks Community Centre	Public, Free	Neighbourhood Association	
6/13/2026	3pm – 6pm	Neighbourhood Day – Alison Neighbourhood Community Centre	650 – 700	Soper Park	Public, Free	Neighbourhood Association	

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6/13/2026	9am - 1pm	Push For Your Tush	80	Riverside Park - Dolph Picnic Shelter	Public Free	Community Group	
6/13/2026	6:30am - 7:30pm	Royal Canadian Legion Youth Track and Field	200	Jacob Hespeler Secondary School	Public Free	Community Group	
6/13/2026	11am - 3pm	Pet Portraits in the Park	100	Forbes Park	Public Free	Community Group	
6/13/2026	7am - 11:55pm	Grand River Pride Street Party	500+	Main Street, Water Street	Public Free	Community Group	
6/13/2026	8am - 7pm	UA Elite Circuit Finals	1000+	Fountain Street Soccer Complex	Public Free	Community Group	
6/14/2026	8am – 1pm	Cambridge Mill Race	300	Riverbluffs Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
6/19/2026 - 6/20/2026	Fri 6pm - 10pm Sat 10am - 6pm	Cambridge Celebration of the Arts	5000	Cambridge City Hall, Civic Square, Dickson Street, Farmer's Market	Public, Free	City of Cambridge	
6/27/2026	9am - 8pm	KCO Barbeque	400 - 500	TBD	Private	Community Group	
6/27/2026 - 6/28/2026	Sat 9am - 10pm Sun 9am - 9pm	Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge Fiesta Extravaganza	400 – 700 (per day)	Soper Park Diamonds	Public, Free	Community Group	
6/28/2026	9am - 4pm	St. Mary's of the Visitation Parish Carnival	150	Forbes Park	Public Free	Community Group	

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JULY							
7/1/2026	Fishing Derby 7:45am Parade 11am Park 12pm - 10pm	Canada Day	40000	King Street E & Hamilton Street (Parade) Riverside Park (Fishing Derby & Celebration)	Public, Free	Community Group	
7/4/2026	9am - 6pm	GRMA Community Picnic	120	Dolph Picnic Shelter - Riverside Park	Private	Community Group	
7/10/2026 - 7/12/2026	9am – 10pm	The Great Hespeler Reunion 2026	10,000 (per day)	Village of Hespeler	Public, Free	Community Group	
7/11/2026	11am – 11:30pm	Latin Street Festival	Event Cancelled				
7/14/2026	4pm - 7pm	The ENDURrun Prelim	40	Riverbluffs Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
7/15/2026	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Cambridge City Hall Civic Square	Public Free	City of Cambridge	
7/17/2026 - 7/18/2026	Friday 4pm – 10pm Saturday 6am – 8pm	Cambridge Scottish Festival	5,000	Churchill Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
7/18/2026	9am - 4pm	Summer In the Park	200	Forbes Park	Public Free	Community Group	
7/22/2026	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Forbes Park	Public Free	City of Cambridge	

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7/25/2026	12pm – 9:30pm	Emancipation Day Celebration	1,000	Soper Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
7/25/2026	12pm – 7pm	Cambridge Multicultural Festival	5,000	Forbes Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
7/25/2026 - 7/26/2026	Sat 10am - 5pm Sun 10am - 1pm	The Long Dash Festival	100 (per day)	rare Slit Barn and Grand Trunk Trail	Public Free	Community Group	
7/29/2026	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Central Park (Preston)	Public Free	City of Cambridge	
AUGUST							
8/5/2026	8pm - 10pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Cambridge City Hall Civic Sq	Public Free	City of Cambridge	
8/7/2026 - 8/9/2026	Friday 4pm – 10pm Saturday 12pm–10pm Sunday 12pm – 7pm	Cambridge Ribfest and Craft Beer Show	10,000 (per day)	Riverside Park – Mickler Field	Public, Free	Community Group	
8/10/2026	7am - 11:30am	The ENDURrun Ultimate and Sport	75	Riverbluffs Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
8/15/2026	10am - 1pm	WLA Church in the Square	25	Cambridge Civic Square	Public, Free	Community Group	
8/19/2026	7:30pm - 10pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Forbes Park	Public Free	City of Cambridge	
8/26/2026	7pm - 10pm	Cambridge Summer Live	100+	Central Park (Preston)	Public Free	City of Cambridge	

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SEPTEMBER							
9/10/2026 - 9/13/2026	Thurs 4pm - 10pm Fri 4pm - 10pm Sat 12pm - 10pm Sun 12pm - 5pm	Cambridge Fall Fair	2,000 (per day)	Dickson Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
9/12/2026	11am – 3pm	Newcomers Connection Picnic	500	Churchill Park	Public, Free	Neighbourhood Association	
9/12/2026	12pm - 4pm	Patrick Baker Memorial Warriors Weekend	500	Central Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
9/12/2026	10am - 2pm	Cambridge Fire Department Open House	5000	1625 Bishop St. N (Cambridge Fire Station 1)	Public, Free	City of Cambridge	
9/19/2026	11am – 8pm	Time For Trades Cross-Canada Tour	1,500	Forbes Park	Public, Free	Community Group	
9/20/2025	11am – 2:30pm	Cambridge Terry Fox Run	180	Riverside Park – SSG 1 Field	Fundraiser	Community Group	
9/25/2026 - 9/26/2026	Friday 5pm – 10pm Saturday 3pm – 10pm	Fest2Fall	5,000	Dickson Park	Public, Cost	Community Group	
9/25/2026 - 9/27/26	7am - 11pm	Central Ontario Orchid Society Orchid Show and Sale	150 - 200 (per day)	Hespeler Memorial Arena Banquet Hall & Meeting Room	Public, Free	Community Group	

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9/26/2026	10am - 3pm	Hespeler Harvest Festival	2500	Forbes Park and Hespeler Scout House	Public, Free	Community Group	
9/26/2026	1pm - 6pm	TBD (Craft Market)	100	Centre for the Arts - Toyota Room	Public, Free	Community Group	
OCTOBER							
10/17/2026	5:30pm - 11:55pm	GHS Navrati 2026	500 – 700	Duncan McIntosh Arena	Public, Cost	Community Group	
10/18/2026	5am - 10am	The Fall 5 KM Classic Road Race	750	Riverside Park - Beach Volleyball Courts 1, 2, 3, 4	Public, Cost	Community Group	
NOVEMBER							
11/1/2026	6pm - 8:30pm	Annual Pumpkin Walk - HVNA	250	Forbes Park and Scout House	Public, Cost	Community Group	
11/7/2026	8am - 1pm	The REMEMBERrun	400	Riverside Park - Front Picnic Area	Public, Cost	Community Group	
11/10/2026 – 11/14/2026	8am – 8pm	CCAA Women's Soccer National Championships	150 – 200	Fountain Street Soccer Complex	Public, Cost	Community Group	
11/14/2026	6pm - 8pm	Santa Claus Parade	30000	Hespeler Road	Public, Free	Community Group	
11/27/2026	6:30pm	Phil Kline's Unsilent Night	10000	Cambridge City Hall Civic Square & Downtown Galt	Public Free	City of Cambridge	

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Days of Significance

11/27/2026 – 11/29/2026	Fri 5pm - 9pm Sat 10am - 5pm Sun 10am - 4pm	Cambridge Holiday Market	5000	Cambridge City Hall & Centre for the Arts	Public Free	City of Cambridge	
DECEMBER							
12/31/2026	2pm - 6pm	New Years Eve Skate	3000	Hespeler Memorial Arena	Public, Free	City of Cambridge	

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