City and community events

**Tuesday, February 2, 2021**

**Ride A Bus - A Virtual Experience**

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 2 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Event Location: 510 Dutton Dr, Waterloo, Ontario

Get to know Grand River Transit (GRT)!

This event, hosted by Age Friendly Waterloo Region, is designed for older adults wishing to become comfortable with bus and train services (ION) in Waterloo Region. Please join GRT Staff as they guide you with a short, informative video followed by a session of questions and answers.

Please watch the Ride-a-Bus video before hand and come to the zoom meeting with questions for the GRT staff.

You can register through Eventbrite.

There are two sessions available- January 27th at 1:30pm and February 2nd at 10:30am. Links are below.

[Eventbrite Registration Jan 27th, 2021](#)
[Eventbrite Registration Feb 2nd, 2021](#)

**Wednesday, February 3, 2021**

**Staying Healthy and Well: Chocolate: From Treasure to Treat**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 3 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location: Waterloo, ON

Do we have a treat for you! Join Karin Davidson-Taylor from Royal Botanical Gardens as we learn about Cacao tree and journey through history to get the complete story on what we call chocolate. This session is on Zoom and FREE registration is through Eventbrite.[https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/city-of-waterloo-staying-healthy-and-well-chocolate-treasure-to-treat-tickets-133111045721](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/city-of-waterloo-staying-healthy-and-well-chocolate-treasure-to-treat-tickets-133111045721)

**Friday, February 5, 2021**

**Black History Month Celebration: The Jazz of Physics**

Date and Time: Friday, February 5 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location:

Theoretical physicist, professional jazz musician, author and current president of the National Society of Black Physicists, Stephon Alexander shares his insight on the interconnection between music and the evolution of astrophysics and the laws of motion. He also discusses ways that innovations in physics have been - and can be inspired from - "improvisational logic" exemplified in jazz performance and practice.

This is the first of four events in the series. These events are free and open to the public, but registration is required.
Tuesday, February 9, 2021

**National Security, Economic Prosperity and Canada's Future**

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 9 01:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Event Location: The international security and geopolitical landscape have shifted considerably. The complexity of traditional security issues is being matched by new non-traditional threats. On top of this, the COVID-19 pandemic has been a thematic lure or subterfuge for malicious threat actors to exploit vulnerabilities, emphasizing that the world around us has strategically reoriented. This shift provides an opportunity for Canada to modernize its thinking, to better protect future prosperity and enhance domestic security.

Join David Vigneault, Director of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS), for a discussion on the changing threat landscape and the ways in which Canada can contribute to an important strategic discussion around national security and intelligence practices. Additionally, Director Vigneault will discuss how we can better safeguard future economic growth, innovation, sovereignty and Canada’s national interests.

**EVENT SPEAKERS**

Aaron Shull

A practising lawyer, Aaron Shull is CIGI's managing director and general counsel. In addition to advising on a range of domestic legal and corporate matters, he has substantive expertise in international law, global security and internet governance.

David Vigneault

In June 2017, David Vigneault became the ninth Director of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS). Mr. Vigneault returned to a leadership role at the Service after serving in a number of posts across the greater security and intelligence community.

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

**Staying Healthy and Well: Boost Your Brain Fitness**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 10 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location: Waterloo, ON

Join Chartwell Retirement Residences and Fit Minds as we keep our brains active by giving it a new experience and a workout. This session is on Zoom and FREE registration is through Eventbrite.  
[https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-boost-your-brain-fitness-2-tickets-133150066433](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-boost-your-brain-fitness-2-tickets-133150066433)

**Explore your Future Speaker Series**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 10 06:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Event Location: The virtual event will feature local professionals from a range of industries sharing their career path and answering your questions. Join us virtually with your child for an hour of career insight, inspiration and fun!

Friday, February 12, 2021

**Black History Month Celebration: The Self, The Other**

Date and Time: Friday, February 12 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location: Kosisochukwu Nnebe is a Nigerian-Canadian visual artist. An economist by training and a policy analyst by profession, her visual arts practice aims to engage viewers on issues both personal and structural in ways that bring awareness to their own complicity. Nnebe
discusses her art and curatorial practice and how her lived experiences have helped to shape and evolve her artistic development. Utilizing notions of political visibility, displacement, and sense of self, Nnebe shares with her audience new ways of seeing and thinking about the world around us.

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**Friday Flick Travel Show**

Date and Time: Friday, February 12 01:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Event Location: 510 Dutton Dr, Waterloo, ON

City of Waterloo's Friday Flicks Travel Show on Zoom

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[Join Friday Flick Zoom](#)

**Stewart and Stravinsky - POSTPONED**

Date and Time: Friday, February 12 08:00 p.m.

Event Location: 36 King St. W

Part of the Reimagined: KWS Goes Online Season

The winds, brass, and percussion take centre stage in this eclectic program almost entirely without strings. Composed in the neoclassical style but with the musical colours of the 20th century, the works by Poulenc and Stravinsky are brilliant, vigorous and full of contrasting moods. Joining the orchestra for Stravinsky’s Piano Concerto is Stewart Goodyear, a KWS favourite. Inspired by Copland’s Fanfare for the Common Man, Joan Tower’s piece uses the same instrumentation and is dedicated to women who take risks and are adventurous.

Choose what you pay with tickets from $15, concert is streaming online from February 12, 2021 at 8 PM to February 14, 2021 at 11:59 PM.

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For tickets and more information about the online concert, please visit [https://kwsymphony.ca/concerts/stewart-and-stravinsky/](https://kwsymphony.ca/concerts/stewart-and-stravinsky/)

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**Saturday, February 13, 2021**

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**Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

**Staying Healthy and Well: Terrific Trivia**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 17 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location: Waterloo, ON

Terrific Trivia with Gertie and Jaye Kuntz. Challenge your mind, have a laugh and some fun!

This session is on Zoom and FREE registration is through Eventbrite. [https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-terrific-trivia-tickets-133163257889](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-terrific-trivia-tickets-133163257889)

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**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

**Staying Healthy and Well: The Lighter Side of Gardening**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 24 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location: Waterloo, ON

Join David Hobson - The Record Garden Columnist as he presents The Lighter Side of Gardening. Enjoy David's sense of humor as he displays colorful pictures and fun stories of gardening.

This session is on Zoom and FREE registration is through Eventbrite. [https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-the-lighter-side-of-gardening-with-david-hobson-tickets-133171121409](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/staying-healthy-and-well-the-lighter-side-of-gardening-with-david-hobson-tickets-133171121409)

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Event Location:
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Friday, February 26, 2021

**Black History Month Celebration: Cooking Across Canada**

Date and Time: Friday, February 26 01:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Event Location:

Join us on a savoury journey with Kitchener-based chef Andrew Beckford, as he shares some of his favourite stories and recipes gained from traveling across Canada. Chef Beckford demonstrates how to make two mouth-watering dishes (plus cooking tips and tricks!) while speaking to the historical significance of each dish in Black Canadian culture.

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**Friday Flick Travel Show**

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**Waterloo Gardeners Open Meeting**

Date and Time: Friday, February 26 07:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Event Location: 234 Dartmoor Crescent

The Waterloo Gardeners are pleased to be hosting Spencer Hauck, a horticulturalist who will speak on Caring for Indoor Plants. Membership is required to join this Zoom event. Please check our website at waterloohort.org for membership information.

**Whitehorse with the KWS - POSTPONED**

Date and Time: Friday, February 26 08:00 p.m.

Event Location: 36 King St. W

**Part of the Reimagined: KWS Goes Online Season**

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Saturday, February 27, 2021

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Sunday, February 28, 2021

**Online Silent Auction Fundraiser**

Date and Time: Sunday, February 28 12:00 p.m.
Event Location: 543 Beechwood Drive

Westminster United Church will be holding an online silent auction fundraiser beginning at 12:00 noon on Sunday, February 28, and running until 12:00 noon on Sunday, March 14, 2021. We have some exciting items available - from handcrafted to home decor, to food, to books, to entertainment to outdoor adventures! Something for everyone! Check out [https://www.32auctions.com/westminsterunitedchurch](https://www.32auctions.com/westminsterunitedchurch) for a sneak preview of auction items and to pick your favourites to start bidding on February 28.

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