

City and community events

Thursday, January 2, 2025

St Jacobs Market Food Tour

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 878 Weber St N

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Saturday, January 4, 2025

City of Waterloo winter registration

Date and Time: Saturday, January 4 8:00 am

Address: City of Waterloo recreation facilities

The ActiveWaterloo Guide is now available on our website ([downloadable pdf](#)) or view programs on [ActiveWaterloo](#). Sign up for our seasonal [email subscription](#) reminder and never miss a registration date!

What's NEW this winter?

- Kids Bollywood or Musical Theatre
- All ages Ukulele
- FREE! Exploring Worldwide Art Forms – Ukrainian Folk Art
- Youth Sketching or Watercolours
- Adult arts including Multimedia Sampler, Impressionistic Landscapes in Acrylic, Urban Scenes in Ink and Watercolour
- 90+ fitness programs including Functional fitness, Healthy Hips workshops, Pilates

City program registration opens December 5 (active living and community leisure) and December 19 (swim lessons and leadership) f

or winter! Note: CARL [sport leagues](#) now registering.

Be sure to register early as spots can go quickly. Add your favourite programs to the ActiveWaterloo Wish List in advance, and then add to cart quickly and easily on registration day.

Monday, January 6, 2025

Shellie Zhang Exhibition 'Near Yet Far' happening in the Robert Langen Art Gallery

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Address: 75 University Ave W, Waterloo, ON N2L 3B4

Come visit the Robert Langen Art Gallery to see Shellie Zhang's Exhibition '*Near Yet Far*' from January 6th 2025 to May 23rd 2025!

Closing Reception on May 22nd 2025 from 7-9pm, meet Shellie Zhang and enjoy food and refreshments!

The Robert Langen Art Gallery is located on the main floor of the Laurier Library. The gallery's hours are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Free admission and open to everyone!

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

Sing, Shine & Soar in 2025 in four part harmony!

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 7 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: 445 Anndale Road, Waterloo

Start the New Year in Four Part Harmony!

Ready to let your voice shine in 2025? Join us on January 7th at 7pm and experience the magic of perfect four-part harmony with our chorus. Kick off the year with music, fun, and community!

We can't wait to sing with you!

Email info@grandharmonychorus.com for more information.

Grand Harmony is an a cappella chorus, which is part of the Sweet Adelines International organization. Sweet Adelines has approximately 20,000 members that can be found all over the world. Grand Harmony Chorus is part of Border Lakes Region 2, which comprises choruses in both Ontario, Canada and Michigan, USA.

We look forward to seeing you in 2025 at Christ Lutheran Church - Waterloo.

Thursday, January 9, 2025

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Friday, January 10, 2025

Friday Flicks Travel Show - European Christmas Markets

Date and Time: Friday, January 10 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: Community Pavilion, 101 Father David Bauer Dr., Waterloo

Friday Flicks

Join us as presenters share their travel stories from various parts of the world.

European Christmas Markets by Alannah Virtanen

Presentations are subject to change

Admission is \$2.25/per person, light refreshments served.

Register up to 72 hours in advance online at [Active Waterloo](#) or call 519-579-1020.

Email leisureprogramming@waterloo.ca for a full program schedule.

Presenters wanted for the 2025 season. If you are interested, please contact Sarah Kelly at 519-579-1020 ext. 2 6020.

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Four Part Harmony Chorus Rehearsals

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 14 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: 445 Anndale Road, Waterloo

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Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Summer Job Fair

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 101 Father David Bauer Dr, Waterloo, ON N2L 0B4

Each summer, the city hires over 85 staff to support parks, camps, aquatics, programming, special events and more.

The Summer Job Fair is a great way to meet staff, learn more about working for the city and gain a better understanding of roles and the application process. The fair is free to attend and happening on January 15 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the main lobby of the Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex. There will be staff from city departments representing recreation, summer camps, parks and volunteer services.

The City of Waterloo is a living wage employer, which means all full-time, part-time and contract staff earn at least a living wage. The lowest hourly wage for city staff is currently \$20.90.

[View the job postings and apply now!](#)

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Friday, January 17, 2025

Empowered Learners: The Value of Volunteering - FREE

Date and Time: Friday, January 17 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 101 Father David Bauer Dr. Waterloo, ON Community Pavilion

Empowered Learners: The Value of Volunteering: Value to You - Value to Community - FREE

Speaker: Jane Hennig

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Saturday, January 18, 2025

Improv Comedy in Waterloo

Date and Time: Saturday, January 18 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: 9 Princess Street East, Waterloo

Join us as we kick off the new year with some lively, fast-paced improv comedy!

The show will be on January 18th at 8 pm at KW Little Theatre, 9 Princess Street East in Waterloo.

Tickets are just \$10 at the door (credit and debit accepted), or you can make sure you get a seat by booking ahead of time on [EventBrite](#). All proceeds go to support our local community theatre, KWLT.

Doors open at 7:30, so feel free to come in and enjoy our fully-licensed concession stand prior to the show.

And remember -- as always, everything we do is made up entirely on the spot based on suggestions from you, the audience. You're a big part of the show, and we're looking forward to having you join us!

Tuesday, January 21, 2025

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Friday, January 24, 2025

Friday Flicks Travel Show - Costa Rica: An Emphasis on Green

Date and Time: Friday, January 24 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: Community Pavilion, 101 Father David Bauer Dr., Waterloo

Friday Flicks

Join us as presenters share their travel stories from various parts of the world.

Costa Rica: An Emphasis on Green by Janice Bock

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Freestyle Dance Alchemy for Women

Date and Time: Friday, January 24 7:15 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: Yoni Mudra - 241 Duke Street West, Kitchener

Freestyle Dance Alchemy is a joyful embodiment practice for women. Dance, play, connect, feel, breathe and sweat at these in-person group classes focusing on the feeling of dance rather than how you look or perform dance for others. Meet other women in community and set yourself up for an energetic, grounded and balanced weekend.

COME WHEN YOU CAN!

Community Pop-ups happen in Downtown Kitchener (corner of Weber and Duke) with women in community gathering for a practice of joyful surrender.

One-time registration required. \$26 per person

[REGISTER HERE](#)

know and heal thyself through dance

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Nobel Laureates in Conversation: Debunking myths about GMOs with Nobel Laureate Sir Richard Roberts

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: University of Waterloo - Federation Hall - 200 University Ave W., Waterloo, ON

Join the University of Waterloo for an enlightening conversation between two Nobel Laureates as they discuss the important role scientists can play in debunking misinformation.

Are genetically modified foods dangerous? GMO stands for Genetically Modified Organism and has been the subject of much debate and misinformation. Nobel Laureate Sir Richard Roberts sits down with Nobel Laureate Donna Strickland to debunk the myths surrounding GMOs and explain why we should not only trust but embrace them. Sir Roberts is a molecular biologist who received the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1993 for discoveries of split genes.

This free community lecture is part of a series launched by the Trust in Research Undertaken in Science and Technology (TRuST) scholarly network at the University of Waterloo.

Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Time: Doors - 6:30 p.m.
Lecture - 7:00 p.m.
Post-lecture reception - 8:30 p.m.

Location: University of Waterloo - Federation Hall - 200 University Ave W., Waterloo, ON

If you are unable to join in-person, you can watch through our [livestream](#).

[Registration on Ticketfi.](#)

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Friday, January 31, 2025

Empowered Learners: Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security and Canada Dental Benefit - FREE

Date and Time: Friday, January 31 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 101 Father David Bauer Dr. Waterloo, ON Community Pavilion

Empowered Learners: Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Old Age Security (OAS) and Canada Dental Benefit (CDB)
- FREE

Speaker: Jamie Graham

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