

# CULTURE DAYS

Sept.  
27-29

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city's spirit  
of art and  
culture!



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## Message from the Mayor

Vaughan is a vibrant city that attracts visitors from around the world to experience our dynamic urban life. The city is home to artists of all backgrounds who draw inspiration from the multicultural diversity that thrives here. I invite you to experience the best of what Vaughan has to offer at our 10th Annual Culture Days, featuring free entertainment and activities at locations across the city. Bring your family and friends to watch local performers, cultural groups and community organizations who share a passion for all things Vaughan. Come see why Vaughan is truly the place to be!

**Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, P.C., Mayor**

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# THREE DAYS THREE HUBS OF ACTIVITIES

Discover the city's  
spirit of art and culture!

The City of Vaughan is proud to present **Culture Days**, a free national event celebrating arts, culture, creativity and inspiration in the community. Celebrate the city's 10th annual event with a weekend of city-wide activities with family, friends and neighbours.

# LAUNCH EVENT

Join us at the Vaughan  
Metropolitan Centre  
**TRANSIT SQUARE**

Thursday, Sept. 26  
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Full list of activities:  
[vaughan.ca/CultureDays](http://vaughan.ca/CultureDays)

# FEATURE AND PREVIEW EVENTS

## WEST HUB

### Indigenous Garden Naming Ceremony and Celebration at the McMichael

RECEPTION:

Friday, Sept. 20 | 11 a.m.

McMichael Canadian Art Collection  
10365 Islington Ave.

**GALLERY:** Saturday, Sept. 28, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Sunday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Discover the iconic collection of Canadian art, featuring works by Tom Thompson, the Group of Seven and contemporaries, First Nations, Métis, Inuit and contemporary artists. Enjoy a tour of the permanent collection and special exhibitions and be part of the launch of the new Indigenous Garden. Parking and admission are free. New for Sunday, Sept. 29: 'In the Making' screening with Sean O'Neill.

## EAST HUB

### Alfresco Preview: Culture Days Group Art Exhibit

RECEPTION:

Friday, Sept. 20 | 6 p.m - 9 p.m.

Thoreau MacDonald House  
121 Centre St.

**EXHIBIT:** Saturday, Sept. 21, noon - 6 p.m.  
Sunday, Sept. 22, noon - 4 p.m.

In partnership with Alfresco Murals Inc., explore a group exhibition of original works by local emerging and established artists from Vaughan and the GTA.



## CENTRE HUB

Vaughan Metropolitan Centre  
Transit Square | 100 New Park Place

Free accessible parking available.

## Figura

LAUNCH EVENT:

Thursday, Sept. 26 | 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Reach for new heights with giant Figura building pieces by ThinkinEd. Join us to explore the city of Vaughan's changing landscape with these tremendous tools for imaginative play and innovative thinking.



## Alfresco Creative Clash!

Friday, Sept. 27 | 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

About: Vaughan's new downtown will be captured on canvas. Ten artists, three rounds of competition and one winner! Join us for a live art competition on-site in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre.

## Vaughan's Coolest Canine Contest

Friday, Sept. 27 | 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Join the Woof-A-Palooza team and unleash some tail-wagging fun to choose the winner of Vaughan's first Coolest Canine contest. Enjoy "pup" culture, treats and more.

## Evening Lounge

Music in the Square hosted by  
Arcadia Live! Productions

Friday, Sept. 27 | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Join us for fun, free musical and cultural events taking place in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Transit Square. The Music in the Square event series is held in partnership with SmartCentres and Arcadia Live! Productions.





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## WEST HUB

### Magnotta Winery Tasting and Tours

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 2 P.M.  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 2 P.M.

271 Chrislea Rd.

Tour Ontario's third largest winery and shop more than 180 world-class wines including the new Venture Series in support of the G. Magnotta Foundation for Vector-Borne Diseases. Browse Magnotta's collection of original art which has inspired label designs, view state-of-the art equipment and end the tour with a wine tutorial. Must be 21 years or older to participate. Tours are fully accessible and free parking is provided.



### Navratri Celebration Hosted by Elspeth Heyworth Centre for Women

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 6 P.M. - 10 P.M.

Vellore Village Community Centre  
1 Villa Royale Ave., Cafetorium

Enjoy India's colourful culture with Dandiya Raas folk dance – a Navratri celebration using decorative sticks. Enjoy cultural foods, music and refreshments. Free admission and parking is offered for this family-friendly event.

## Nature Trail Walks

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 10 A.M. - NOON

Maple Nature Reserve, 10401 Dufferin St.

Explore the outdoors and discover one of Vaughan's nature trails on this guided hike. Participate in a scavenger hunt and learn about important environmental features throughout the tour. Spaces are limited, please email [environment@vaughan.ca](mailto:environment@vaughan.ca) to register; all ages welcome!





## The Woodbridge Village Farmers Market

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Woodbridge Pool and Memorial Arena  
5020 Highway 7 at Islington Ave., Parking Lot

Enjoy a variety of fruit and vegetables from local farmers every Saturday from May to October. Learn where your food comes from and support local farmers who produce healthy and nutritious food for the community. Only **cash and debit** are accepted, and free parking is available.

## Sara Elizabeth Centre **Arts Live!**

Hosted by Blue Veil Charity

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Sara Elizabeth Centre (SEC), 7412 Kipling Ave.

Participate in drumming circles, live music, painting workshops and witness the talents of SEC in a diverse and inclusive environment. Family-friendly event with free parking available.



## Luna's Magic Flute

with Stephanie Superle from Kinderflute Canada

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 2 P.M.

McMichael Canada Art Collection  
10365 Islington Ave., Members Lounge

Listen to professional flutist Stephanie Superle perform the story of Luna's Magic Flute and adapt the sweet tale into a musical spectacle. This event is interactive, and admission and parking are free. All ages.

## Nature Activities

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Kortright Centre for Conservation,  
9550 Pine Valley Dr.

Join Kortright staff at the picnic shelter to learn about the programs offered all year round. Enjoy a campfire (bring your own items to roast), dissect an owl pellet, discover interesting creatures, talk to a naturalist, and partake in other family-friendly crafts and activities. This event is for all ages. Admission and parking are free.



**The Tenors in Armonia** Fundraiser  
presented by the Rotary Club of Woodbridge

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 7 P.M.

Famèe Furlane, 7065 Islington Ave.

Tickets are \$35 /person and available at 6:45 p.m.

Support a spectacular evening with amazing performers and the first-ever performance by the Italian Canadian Symphony Orchestra and Virtuosi: tenors Conrad Siebert, Nicolas Rhind and Rocco Ruppalo. Proceeds will benefit the Villa Leonardo Gambin long-term care residence and Better Beds fundraiser.

## Vaughan Public Libraries Music Play Day

Hosted by Stephanie Superle

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 1 - 5 P.M.

Vellore Village Library, 1 Villa Royale Ave.

Make music with Kinderflute Canada! Music game stations will be available all afternoon with a special musical performance by local flutist Stephanie Superle. This event is sure to be a fun day for the entire family!



## CENTRE HUB

### Yoga Downtown

Hosted by LivBalanced Wellness

THURSDAY, SEPT. 26 | NOON - 1 P.M.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27 | NOON - 1 P.M.

Vaughan Metropolitan Centre

KPMG Tower, Main Level, 100 New Park Place

A wellness empowerment lunch hour filled with healthy living activities. Participate in midday yoga and guided meditation sessions that ease the mind, body and spirit. Mats will be provided.



### Vaughan Fan Con at Vaughan Public Libraries

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

Civic Centre Resource Library,  
2191 Major Mackenzie Dr.

Vaughan gets its con on! Join us for a day-long event filled with workshops, cosplay, gaming, special guests and more as we celebrate the fandoms the community loves.

### South Asian Cultural Activities

Hosted by the South Asian Association of Vaughan

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 11 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Vaughan Mills, Discovery Court

1 Bass Pro Mills Dr. (between entrance 2 and 3)

Join Ishita and her wonderful artisans for beautiful music, cultural crafts, clothing and traditional henna tattoos. This event is family friendly and all materials are provided.





## Cultural Food Displays

Hosted by Nature's Emporium

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. - 3 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 11 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Nature's Emporium

2535 Major Mackenzie Dr. and 8401 Weston Rd.

Experience healthy living by learning about the benefits of the organic products carried by Nature's Emporium from produce to grocery, to body care products and supplements. Enjoy a hot table featuring cultural dishes, a pizza station and a salad bar. All participants will receive \$5 off a minimum purchase of \$25 (before taxes) and can enter for a chance to win a \$50 gift card (one winner from each location).

## Art exhibition: **facingNORTH** art | symbol | story

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27 | 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

Vaughan City Hall, on the SLATE Atrium Gallery  
2141 Major Mackenzie Dr.

The City of Vaughan is featuring a curated exhibition that includes stone and bone sculpture displays and wall hangings that interpret traditional Inuit legends, myths and ways of life.



## Culture Days Display: **Spirit of Culture**

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27 | 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

Vaughan City Hall

2141 Major Mackenzie Dr., Level 200

Enjoy a display of literature and items reflecting the spirit of culture in the city including books, handmade items, and colourful fabrics.



## Cultura Latina

Hosted by Fuerza Latina Community Services

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Vaughan Mills, Discovery Court  
1 Bass Pro Mills Dr. (between entrance 2 and 3)

Join Fuerza Latina and dance to the beats of salsa music. Celebrate Latino culture with live music and traditional arts and craft displays. Event also offers a free salsa and Latino Zumba class.

## Dance Demonstrations

Hosted by Victoria International Ballet Academy

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 | 3 P.M. - 4 P.M.

Vaughan Mills, Discovery Court  
1 Bass Pro Mills Dr. (between entrance 2 and 3)

Join dancers from Victoria International Ballet Academy and watch live dancing and participate in free demonstrations.



## Spin A Yarn With Black Creek Pioneer Village

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27 | 5 P.M. - 7 P.M.

Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Transit Square  
100 New Park Place

Feeling crafty? Sit down at a spinning wheel and learn how to turn wool fleece (shorn from our very own sheep!) into yarn.

## EAST HUB

### Travelling Exhibit: **My Story, My Tattoo**

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15 | 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.

TUESDAY, DEC. 31 | 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Bathurst Clark Resource Library, 900 Clark Ave. W

Tattoos are living images that reveal important stories about our residents, our community and the tattoo phenomenon. My Story, My Tattoo is a travelling art exhibit from the Wellington County Museum and Archives featuring 32 thought-provoking images and stories about amazing tattoos.



### **Caribbean Cultural Celebrations**

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 | 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Dufferin Clark Community Centre  
1441 Clark Ave. W., Activity Room 1

Experience the Caribbean! Enjoy food tastings, browse art and hand-crafted displays and listen to live music with the Thornhill African Caribbean Canadian Association steel drum band.

### **Vaughan Lobster Fest**

Hosted by Philippine Heritage Band and  
Filipino-Canadian Association of Vaughan

Saturday, Sept. 28 | 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Dufferin Clark Community Centre  
1441 Clark Ave. W., Main Gym

Experience music, activities, giveaways and free traditional Filipino street food – including a special lobster meal discount for all attendees. The event also features free admission.



MY POCKETBOOK OF  
**I LOVE YOU'S**

**POST CULTURE DAYS EVENT**

Book Launch:

**My Pocket Book of I Love You's**

RECEPTION:

FRIDAY, OCT. 4, 5 P.M. - 10 P.M.

OPEN HOUSE:

SATURDAY, OCT. 5 | NOON - 6 P.M.

SUNDAY, OCT. 6 | NOON - 6 P.M.

Thoreau MacDonald House, 121 Centre St.

The highly anticipated, My Pocket Book of I Love You's, by Madeline Rose Fiore is finally here! The 20-year-old self-published author is ready to share her second poetry book to the world, and you can join her. From Oct. 4 to 6, Madeline will share her newly launched book at the Thoreau MacDonald House where you can experience her journey with love through her encounters.



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Upcoming events and activities, visit:  
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