



St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association Community Meeting

Held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Hosted on the Zoom Videoconferencing Platform

SLNA President Stewart Linton welcomed community members and Delegates to the June 28, 2023 SLNA Community Meeting.

St. Michael's Family Health Team: A Re-introduction – Nassim Vahidi-Williams

See slide deck in separate document (on website – June 28, 2023 SLNA Community Meeting Minutes Post).

Elevate Toronto 2023 – September 26 – 28, 2023 - Calvin Mitchell and Zach Dulmage

Elevate provided us with a thorough overview of the four components of their Action Plan for their 2023 Festival:

- Festival Overview
- Locations and Schedule
- Street Plan
- Learnings from 2022

See slide deck in separate document (on website (June 28, SLNA Community Meeting Minutes)).

SLNA Canada Day Celebration – Festival in St. James Park – Toby Tenenbaum 11:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Enjoy live music, Ukrainian and Indigenous dance performances, face painting, giant Jenga, t-shirt painting for children (no parents allowed in the t-shirt painting tent in order to foster creativity but there is adult supervision). Child-size t-shirts will be provided. There is also quill writing, hula hooping, henna painting, temporary tattoos, story telling and heritage walking tours. The Market will be open, which is a first, so you can either bring your own picnic or pick one up from your favourite market vendors and bring it to the park along with your own chair and blanket. Have fun!

Update on Remarket – Donna Patterson

The SLNA-WRG would like to thank all of our residents for their support and participation in our 7th REmarket on June 14 and 15.

- A record number of donors (610) made the following contributions:
 - A steady stream of donations to **FreeMarket**
 - 33 skids of donations to **The Salvation Army**
 - 3 skids of electronics and e-waste to **RCT (Renewed Computer Technology)**
- Through our Recycling & REuse program, we also achieved the following:
 - 2 large bags of batteries, 1 large bag of pens and writing instruments, and 1 large bag of toners and cartridges were given to **Staples**.
 - 1 large box and 2 large bags of prescription pill bottles were given to **Earthhub. (about 400 prescription bottles)**
 - 1 large bag of dental items and 1 small bag of razors were given to **Terracycle**.
 - 2 large bags of cosmetic containers were given to **PACT**.
 - ½ large box of glasses was given to **The Optic Zone**.
- In addition, 139 visitors brought 190 items to be fixed by 17 **Repair Café** fixers/apprentices and 5 general volunteers (with approximately 85% of the items diverted from landfill)
- **CultureLink Bike Hub** also made 27 repairs with 4 volunteers

Thanks to the SLNA, St Lawrence Market and the BIA for their continued support.

A special thanks to all of our volunteers!!

Our WRG volunteers, and to our other volunteers -
Victoria, Chet, Ken, Deborah, Brian, Arthur, Shirley and Steve,
and our 4 summer students from our Canada Summer Jobs program-
Beatris, Millie, Hafeea and Konya.

We couldn't do it without you!

We are looking forward to our **next REmarket in September.**

St. James Park Summer Update – Kristine Morris

The line-up of summer events in St. James Park includes:

- July 1: Canada Day Festival in St. James park
- July 10- Aug 2: Storytime in the Park
Join a storyteller from the Toronto Public Library for children's Storytime in the Park
Starts July 10th to Aug 2, 2023 (4 week duration), Time: 1 PM.
- Mondays – Berczy Park at the Hand Sculpture
(Mon Jul 10, 17, 24, 31)
- Wednesday – St James Park next to playground
(Wed Jul 12, 19, 26 and Aug 2)
- Tuesdays 6pm starting July 4th: Free Fitness Classes
Free Fitness Classes include Yoga, Boot Camp and Nia Dance. Starting July 4th, every Tuesday night until Aug 29th.
- Thursdays 7-9 pm: Music in St. James Park
This week's performance is funk rock band Accolades.
- Wednesdays at 7pm: Park Chat Series will run starting July 26. Details to come soon.
- Garden Club: New members are always welcome. Meet up times are Monday evenings, Thursday and Saturday mornings.

Check our website friendsofstjamesparkto.com and click What's New" or the SLNA Calendar for events.

St. Lawrence Market Events Schedule

- **July 9, 2023 – Sunday Opera on Market Street,**

Join us on the second Sunday of each month for free lunchtime performances! Opera Atelier returns to Market Street with a variety of family friendly classical performances featuring singers, instrumentalists and ballet dancers.

Upcoming Dates:

July 9

August 13

September 10

Performances will take place between 12 noon and 2 p.m. Find us at the base of Market Street at The Esplanade!

Join us on the second Sunday of each month for free lunchtime performances! Opera Atelier returns to Market Street with a variety of family friendly classical performances featuring singers, instrumentalists and ballet dancers.

Performances will take place between 12 noon and 2 p.m. Find us at the base of Market Street at The Esplanade!

- **July 9, 2023**

Event Title:

Sunday Variety Vintage Market

Event Description:

antiques, décor, vintage clothing, art, handmade goods, snacks and more!

A new vintage market has launched at 125 The Esplanade! Sunday Variety will take over the Temporary Market space on July 9th and 23rd, 2023. Shoppers can expect a unique range merchants and vendors, including artisan goods, antiques, home décor, vintage clothing, gourmet snacks, beverages and more. This event is organized by the team behind the wildly popular Hippy Market pop-ups throughout Toronto. For more information on the Sunday Variety vintage market, visit www.sundayvariety.com.

- July 11, 2023

Event Title:

I Heart Market Street Music Series

Event Description:

I Heart Market Street Series presents Sarah Gao and Ana Lia

In partnership with the St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood BIA, the I Heart Market Street Music Series brings live music performances to Market Street on Tuesdays and Wednesdays each week. The diverse lineup of Toronto-based artists spans across genres including classical, folk, funk, jazz, and more. This series is scheduled to run weekly until mid-September and is free to attend.

11:30AM - 1:30PM: Sarah Gao

5:00PM - 7:00PM: Ana Lia

- Jul 12, 2023

Event Title:

I Heart Market Street Music Series

Wednesday, July 12

11:30AM - 1:30PM: Mo Guzman

5:00PM - 7:00PM: Market Street Strings

- July 23, 2023

Event Title:

Sunday Variety Vintage Market

Event Description:

Antiques, décor, vintage clothing, art, handmade goods, snacks and more!

- Aug 13, 2023

Event Title:

Sunday Opera on Market Street

Event Description:

Join us on the second Sunday of each month for free classical performances on Market Street with Opera Atelier!

- Aug 16, 2023

Event Title:

Asado in Toronto

Event Description:

The best of Argentina on the streets of Toronto!

We're bringing Asado to downtown Toronto, at the St. Lawrence Market this summer with a two-day street festival celebrating Argentine grilling culture. Chefs from Toronto and Argentina will prepare traditional dishes at stations along Market Street and in the South Market tent, with live music, drinks and dancing.

Stay tuned for more information and follow [@asadotoronto](#) on Instagram!

- Aug 17, 2023

Event Title:

Asado in Toronto

Event Description:

The best of Argentina on the streets of Toronto!

- Sep 10, 2023

Event Title:

Sunday Opera on Market Street

Performances will take place between 12 noon and 2 p.m.

We do not hold a Community Meeting in August, and the next one will be on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.