



Festival of Neighbourhoods
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QUICK LINKS to FoN Resources

- Registration Form for mail or fax
- Full Online Registration
- Short Online Registration, to be completed by phone
- Online Booking Neighbourhood Activity Trunk
- Winter Ice Rinks in Kitchener



Group Photo at the 20th Anniversary Festival of Neighbourhoods Grand Finale.

A New Year begins...

Register your Fall and early winter neighbourhood activities and enter the Early Bird Draw!

Register any neighbourhood activities held after October 1st. Any activities held up to December 31st are eligible to enter the first early bird draw if registered before January 14th, 2014. To register and for information on the Festival go to www.kitchener.ca/fon. Halloween and the Holiday Season have traditionally offered neighbours an opportunity to get together. Fall season is also a good time to go out for walks, or do crafts, and indoor activities, and you could be doing it with your neighbours. Just be sure to invite everyone in your neighbourhood. It is up to you to decide the shape and size of your neighbourhood. It can be a street, a block, a multi-residential building, or it can be several streets and blocks... whatever feels right!

Grand Finale Marks the end of the Festival Year

Everyone wins when they come together with their neighbours!

Neighbourhood heroes from all over the city gathered on Sunday, October 27th, to celebrate and share their experience to inspire us all to come together with our neighbours. This year we received 111 registrations, with participation from 46 neighbourhoods. Congratulations to [this year's winners](#).



Marie Morneau of Kingsdale Neighbourhood this November, winner of the Mayor's Challenge, during the walking tour with Mayor Zehr, that she earned for her spirited essay about her neighbourhood.

Special 20th Anniversary Award

Neighbourhoods recognized for coming together year after year

In honour of the 20th anniversary of the Festival of Neighbourhoods, the following neighbourhoods were recognized for regular participation over the past 20 years:

Victoria Park, Mount Hope-Breighaupt, Civic Centre/Olde Berlin Towne, Caryndale, Central Frederick, and Doon Pioneer Park. Our thanks to Bâton Rouge Restaurant for the sponsorship of this award.



Neighbour to Neighbour

People share thoughts that reflect the value of gathering with their neighbours

"We believe that anytime we bring people from the neighbourhood together it improves relations by giving people the opportunity to get to know the people who live close. We offer the chance to interact with people from different backgrounds who might not normally have the chance to."

Thank you to this Year's Sponsors

A huge thank-you to this year's sponsors! Festival of Neighbourhoods is fortunate to have not only the financial support of the following local businesses and organizations, but also their support in promoting the festival throughout the year. Their participation is a true indication of their commitment to the quality of life in our community and the value of the effort and contribution of the leaders who organize their neighbourhood gatherings.

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Waterloo Regional Police Service
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A special thanks to Bâton Rouge Restaurant, our newest sponsor, who not only sponsored the 20th anniversary award, but also gave gift certificates to all of the volunteers who helped organize their neighbourhood gatherings!