

London Celebrates Canada

Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebration

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1.0 Canada, a Constitutional Monarchy

Canada is a constitutional monarchy. Since 1534, when the King of France claimed possession of what is now Canada, the history of our country has been marked by the reigns of an uninterrupted succession of monarchs, both French and British, who have had a significant influence on our country's development.

Under the Crown, Canada developed first as a colony of two empires, originally the French and subsequently the British, then as an independent dominion, and now as an entirely sovereign nation. The Crown occupies a central place in our Parliament and our democracy, founded on the rule of law and respect for rights and freedoms; the Crown embodies the continuity of the state and is the underlying principle of its institutional unity. The Crown is fused to all three branches of government. The Prime Minister, as head of the Executive, is the Governor General's principal advisor; the Crown is also a constituent element of Parliament, with the Senate and the House of Commons; and finally, all decisions made by the courts are given in the Crown's name.

The most important characteristic of Canada's constitutional monarchy has been its ability to adapt to changing conditions over the course of our evolution from colony to nation. In the Senate Foyer and the Salon de la Francophonie hang the portraits of the kings and queens in whose names our laws have been, and continue to be, enacted.

Parliament of Canada

2.0 Queen Elizabeth II

The Queen is Head of State of the UK, Canada and 14 other Commonwealth realms. The elder daughter of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, she was born 21 April 1926.

On Wednesday, 6 February 1952, then Princess Elizabeth at the age of 25, received the news of her father's death and her own accession to the throne, while staying in a remote part of Kenya. The tour had to be abandoned, and the young Princess flew back to Britain as Queen. She was greeted by Prime Minister Winston Churchill and other officials at the airport.

The Coronation took place in Westminster Abbey on 2 June 1953. It was a solemn ceremony conducted by Dr Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Queen Elizabeth II has reigned nearly six decades of enormous social change and development. The Queen is married to Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and has four children and eight grandchildren. Buckingham Palace is coordinating the events of the Diamond Jubilee central weekend (2nd–5th June 2012).

3.0 London Ontario celebrates the Queen's Diamond Jubilee anniversary

3.1 Overview

London Celebrates Canada shall host a non-partisan, family-friendly, not-for-profit event, aligned with Buckingham Palace events of the Diamond Jubilee central weekend (2nd–5th June 2012).

Staged at London Ontario, Victoria Park, Band-shell, a live-performance military band concert with musicians from the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry, Windsor Regiment Band and the Essex and Kent Scottish Pipes and Drums. Vocal accompaniment by Miss Emma Greve.

Event to begin at 1pm with welcome and sponsor acknowledgements by London Celebrates Canada Executive Director and Miss Canada. Presentation of Diamond Jubilee medals to local recipients, 8ft anniversary cake with official emblem. Event concludes not later than 4pm.

Approximately 500 invited guests including Diamond Jubilee medal recipients and families, and local dignitaries. Also anticipated approximately 2,000 spectators to this prestigious free-admission event.

3.2 Timings

Refer to:

- a) Timings – Master Events List
- b) Event Programme - **PENDING**

3.3 Stage Set-Up

- a) Stage Decoration.
 - i. Queen's portrait. Upstage centre.
 - ii. Three Flags. Downstage right.
 - iii. One Canada Flag. Upstage (back corner) right.
 - iv. Three Flags. Downstage left.
 - v. One Jubilee Flag. Upstage left.
- b) Six sections (3 step) Wenger Tourmaster Choral Riser setup straight configuration. Width approximately 23.5 ft (282"). Depth approx 6 ft (72"). Height approx 2 ft (48")
- c) Sixty seats on stage. Band members to position the seats.
- d) One table stage right (against wall). Water station.
- e) Masters of Ceremony podium. Downstage (front) left.
- f) PA System for MC, vocalist.

3.4 **Audience Set-Up**

- a) Theatre style. Three sections. ??? seats per section row, ?? rows.

Harpist

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Stage

- b) At 11:00am, back row of seats are used to create a seating area around the harpist. At 12:45pm, harpist performance is complete. Chairs moved to back row.

3.5 **Volunteers**

- a) Partner Groups include:

- Kin Canada – Operate Food Centre
- London Celebrates Canada – Six volunteers to assist with set-up and teardown, general duties.
- Monarchist League of Canada – Operate Monarchist League exhibit, ownership of Cake event
- Scouts Canada – Assist set-up, ushering guests, tear-down. TBC
- Other - TBC

- b) Volunteers Identification:

- Uniform or red LCC T-Shirt
- Identification tags

- c) Volunteer recognition. Appreciation card.

3.6 **Other Detail**

- a) Dressing area for Miss Greve and band members
- b) Washroom facilities (facility includes washrooms)
- c) Appreciation gifts for band members, Flowers for Miss Greve

4.0 Partners

Canadian Forces

31 Canadian Brigade Group (31CBG) is an Army Reserve formation with units across Southwestern Ontario. The Brigade's area of responsibility stretches from St. Catharines to Windsor. The Brigade has nearly 2000 members, the vast majority of whom are part-time "citizen soldiers". In recent years, the Brigade has deployed hundreds of soldiers on overseas operations in Afghanistan and to other theatres such as Haiti, the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Golan Heights. 31 CBG has also deployed a large number of soldiers on domestic operations, providing security and support to events such as the 2010 Winter Olympics and the 2010 G8 Summit in Huntsville, Ontario.

London Military Family Resource Centre

The LMFRC is an organization committed to providing a wide range of programs and services that foster the health and general well-being of families and to addressing the unique needs facing the military community in a supportive, caring, and confidential environment. The LMFRC is based on the philosophical beliefs of our community. These basic values provide the framework for and are the guiding principles of the centre. From community engagement and orientation, to education and employment services, the LMFRC is focused on meeting the changing needs of military families throughout Southwestern Ontario. Support programs are also available in the areas of family separation and reunion, crisis and intervention, positive parenting and care giving.

Kinsmen Club of Great London

Kin Canada is the nation's largest all-Canadian service club organization. Kinsmen, Kinette and Kin clubs across the country work to better their communities, enhance the well-being of Canadians and improve the environment. The Association boasts a proud history dedicated to fostering life-long friendships while "Serving the Community's Greatest Need."

London Heritage Council

The London Heritage Council is a not-for-profit cultural heritage umbrella organization. Our mission is to inspire, nurture and manage innovative initiatives through collaboration and coordination in the region.

Monarchist League of Canada

The Monarchist League of Canada is a national, non-partisan, non-profit organization whose mission is "to promote the full expression and a better understanding of the history and real benefits of a uniquely Canadian constitutional monarchy".

5.0 London Celebrates Canada

Vision Statement

London Celebrates Canada is a non profit; non partisan community organization dedicated to the understanding and celebration of Canada's proud history and richly diversified culture.

Mission

London Celebrates Canada accomplishes this patriotic vision building momentum for the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Canada's confederation by engaging the community through educational programs, activities, events, exhibitions and premier Canada Day celebrations that instils pride and commitment to Canada on both an individual and community level.

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6.0 Attachments & Support Documents

Attachments

- Timings – Master Events List
- Event Programme - **PENDING**
- Stage Plan – Victoria Park
- Park Plan – Victoria Park
- Tourmaster Standing Risers – Product Sheet
- Tourmaster Standing Risers – Technical Sheet

Support Documents

- Event Budget
- Marketing Plan

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