
ONTARIO'S MUST-ATTEND FALL FESTIVALS & EVENTS!

Crisp air and beautiful fall colors are just the tip of the iceberg this Fall Festival Season!

ONTARIO (Sept 13, 2016) Festivals & Events Ontario (FEO) would like to invite you to experience all the fun Fall has to offer with the September and October Top 100 Festivals in Ontario. From Harvest festivals and Beer Halls to scary night time treks, we have you covered. Grab your pumpkin spiced latte and put on a cozy sweater and enjoy these wonderful autumn events.

September's fall highlights include:

2016 Wellington County International Plowing Match & Rural Exhibition Sept 20-24 (Minto)

www.plowingmatch.org Awarded Level of Distinction by FEO. The country's largest outdoor show comes to Finch, Ontario. Experience the rural past and future of our agricultural industry within our communities.

Beau's Oktoberfest Sept 23-24 (Vankleek Hill) www.beausoktoberfest.ca 7th annual signature fundraising event for Beau's All Natural Brewing Co. To date Beau's Oktoberfest has raised over \$350,000.00 for charity!

Taste of the Hill Sept 25 (Richmond Hill) www.richmondhill.ca/tastesofthehill Celebrate cultural diversity and support local charities. The event now features live entertainment, an activity village, a food village and intercultural village for all to enjoy.

October's fall highlights include:

Pumpkinferno at Upper Canada Village Sept 30 – Oct 30 (Morrisburg) www.uppercanadavillage.com Take an evening walk through a hauntingly beautiful outdoor exhibit of thousands of hand-carved pumpkins. This multi award-winning installation of artist-inspired pumpkins is not-to-be-missed!

Fort Fright Oct 1-31 (Kingston) www.forthenry.com Brave the dark corners and ghostly shadows of Ontario's scariest haunted house. Fort Fright brings back the dead with attractions, scare scenes, scare actors and technology to amp up the scare factor.

Norfolk County Fair & Horse Show Oct 4-10 (Simcoe) www.norfolkcountyfair.com Awarded Level of Distinction by FEO. Something for everyone. Meet farm animals, view competitions, enjoy the arts and entertainment. Savour tasty food and the thrills of the midway. See the largest horse show in Canada. Fun for all!

Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest Oct 7-15 (Kitchener) www.oktoberfest.ca Awarded Level of Distinction by FEO. Canada's Greatest Bavarian Festival offers something for everyone with 18 exciting festhallen and over 40 Family and Cultural Events. Canada's largest Thanksgiving Day Parade is Mon. Oct. 10th.

Blue Mountains Apple Harvest Festival Oct 8-10 (Blue Mountains) www.bluemountainvillage.ca There's no better way to enjoy Thanksgiving weekend and the fall colours than at Blue Mountain Village and Thornbury. Free family activities, fish ladder tours, live music & The Apple Pie Trail.

Bala Cranberry Festival Oct 14-16 (Bala) www.balacranberryfestival.on.ca Celebrate the harvest of the cranberry with family and friends, entertainment, bazaar, juried arts and crafts, tours of two cranberry marshes and much more!

Aurora's Haunted Forest Oct 29 (Aurora) www.aurora.ca/hauntedforest Calling all ghosts and goblins! Join us for some scary surprises throughout the haunted trails. This Halloween party also includes a bonfire, ghost stories and much more 6-9pm at Sheppard's Bush.

There's always something to celebrate in Ontario! Visit www.festivalsandeventsontario.ca to find a complete listing of this year's Top100 Festivals and Events in Ontario and more.

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About Festivals & Events Ontario

Festivals & Events Ontario (FEO) provides education, marketing and advocacy services and operates Canada's largest dedicated festival and event Conference. FEO also publishes and distributes an annual 250,000 circulation (plus on-line exposure) consumer guide to Ontario festivals & events, another guide to promote its industry supplier goods and services, facilitates industry-leading marketing research, oversees an industry leading awards recognition program., manages a dynamic on-line website, markets a weekly festivals & events industry news-brief with a distribution exceeding 4,500 email recipients and advocates at the provincial and federal level for an improved operating environment within which its members can successfully conduct their business.