



The Working Centre - April 2010 Calendar

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Queen Street Commons Café

43 Queen Street South

St. John's Kitchen & Worth a Second Look

97 Victoria Street North

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Activities take place at both 43 & 58 Queen St. S. Call 519-743-1151 to confirm location.</p>	<p>Check our Community Job Posting Service at: http://www.theworkingcentre.org/jobs</p>	<p>Job Search Resource Centre Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9am—4pm Wednesday: 9am—7pm</p>	<p>1 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-12 (closing early)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm •Speak English Café CANCELLED 	<p>2 CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY</p>	<p>3 CLOSED EASTER WEEKEND (with one exception)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Filmmaking Workshop—Colour Correction 9:30-11:30am
<p>5 CLOSED EASTER MONDAY</p>	<p>6 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Legal Clinic 9am-12pm •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •Computer Basics Class Starts 1pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 7pm •Knitting Group @ QSC 5pm •Tech Talks Course starts 5:30pm 	<p>7 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>8 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>9 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p>	<p>10 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •23rd Annual Mayors' Dinner
<p>12 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Housing Desk 1-4pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am •Strategic Job Searching Internet Resources 2-3:30pm •Songwriting Workshop @ QSC 2-4pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>13 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Legal Clinic 9am-12pm •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •Dealing w/ Debt Workshop 2-3:30pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 7pm 	<p>14 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Recycle Cycles @ Kitchener City Hall 9am-4 •Commons Market @ QSC 4-6pm •Understanding Canada Book Launch @ QSC 7:00pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>15 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm •Speak English Café Potluck 6-8pm •Drupal User Group 7-9pm 	<p>16 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p>	<p>17 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Filmmaking Workshop—How to Read a Film 9:30-11:30am
<p>19 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Housing Desk 1-4pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am •Strategic Job Searching Information Interviews 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>20 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Legal Clinic 9am-12pm •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •BarterWorks Info Session 5:30-6:30pm 	<p>21 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm •Society for Quality Education Talk @ SJK 7:30pm 	<p>22 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>23 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •New Vibes Jazz Quartet @ QSC 4:30-7:30pm 	<p>24 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles @ Kitchener City Hall 11am—3pm •BarterWorks Market Day 10-2pm
<p>26 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Housing Desk 1-4pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am •Strategic Job Searching Networking Skills 2-3:30pm •Songwriting Workshop @ QSC 2-4pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>27 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Legal Clinic 9am-12pm •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm 	<p>28 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Commons Market @ QSC 4-6pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>29 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>30 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p>	<p>Calendar continued on back...</p>

Job Search Resource Centre

- **Interview Series:** Learn the formula for success in interviews. Held Thursdays from 1:00-2:30pm at 58 Queen St. S. **Workshops Dates:** April 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.
- **Speak English Café:** Practice speaking English in an informal, café setting. Held Thursdays from 6-8pm at 43 Queen St. S. **Spring Potluck:** On April 15, bring a dish of food to share and don't forget your appetite! **There will be no Speak English Café on Thursday, April 1.** Call Julia at 519-743-1151 ext. 114.
- **Strategic Job Searching Series:** This four-part series offers sessions on Mondays from 2:00-3:30pm at 58 Queen St. S.
 - ◆ **April 12: Internet Resources** - Call Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 161.
 - ◆ **April 19: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
 - ◆ **April 26: Networking Skills** - Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.
- **Waterloo Region ASSETS+ Project (WRAP):** Are you interested in training to start or improve your small business? Develop your business plan by attending a WRAP course. Training includes business technical assistance, mentorship/networking, and a micro-loans program. Sessions start in January, April and September. Call Greg: 519-749-9177 ext. 236, or email Bob: wrap@theworkingcentre.org.
- **Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) Claims Assistance:** If you have a workers compensation injury claim, an experienced claims advocate will help you sort through your claim. Sessions are by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To make an appointment, call 58 Queen reception at 519-743-1151 ext. 101.
- **Job Search Resource Centre is Open until 7:00pm on Wednesdays!**

Community Tools Projects (Volunteers Welcome!)

- **BarterWorks:** Drop in to 43 Queen St. S. to learn more about K-W's local community-based trading system. **Office hours:** Tuesday to Thursday from 10am - 4pm. **Information Session:** Tuesday, April 20 from 5:30-6:30pm at 43 Queen St. S. Learn more about how to trade through BarterWorks and how you can reduce your reliance on money! **Market Day:** Saturday, April 24 from 11am-3pm at 43 Queen St. S. Come support local artists and the local economy! For more information, call Greg at 519-749-9177 ext. 236.
- **Computer Recycling Shop:** A community facility for repairing, testing, and refurbishing PCs at 58 Queen Street South (entrance on Charles St.). Prices negotiable for non-profit groups. **Hours:** Tuesday to Friday, 10-6pm, and Saturday from 10-4pm. Call Charles at 519-743-1151 ext. 225.
- **Maurita's Kitchen Cooking Sessions:**
 - ◆ **Baking Sessions:** Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1-3 pm, in Maurita's Kitchen, 66 Queen St. S. Learn to bake healthy desserts using natural ingredients. Volunteers needed to bake cookies, cakes, and other tasty treats for the Queen Street Commons Cafe. To volunteer, call Margaret at 519-749-9177 ext. 232.
 - ◆ **Celebration of Foods Cooking Group for New Canadians:** Are you interested in cooking, meeting other New Canadians, and sharing your recipes? Join us every Tuesday from 1-3pm at Maurita's Kitchen (66 Queen St. S) for informal group cooking sessions. To register in advance, please call 519-743-1151 ext. 0 and leave a message for Norma Medina.
 - ◆ **Vegetarian Cooking Sessions:** Every weekday morning 9-12 noon in Maurita's Kitchen, 66 Queen St. S. Learn new vegetarian recipes, cook with whole foods, share your skills, and help produce food for the Queen Street Commons Café. Volunteers needed! To volunteer, call Margaret at 519-749-9177 ext. 232.

- **Queen Street Commons Café:** Coffee, Culture, and Community at 43 Queen Street South. Offers a natural, vegetarian menu, community events, and a unique gift shop. **Café Hours:** Monday to Friday from 8:30am-9pm, and Saturdays from 10am-4pm. Call 519-749-9177 ext. 227.
 - ◆ **Open Space:** Join us for coffee, tea, conversation, music, & relaxation! From 6:30-8:30pm every Monday. Everyone is welcome! We especially invite people with disabilities, their families, & caregivers.
 - ◆ **Open Mic Night:** for original singers/songwriters, as well as spoken word artists. Tuesdays, April 6 and 13 from 7-9pm.
 - ◆ **Songwriting Workshops** will be held on April 12 and 26 from 2-4pm.
 - ◆ **Book Launch—Understanding Canada:** On Wednesday April 14, at 7pm, The Working Centre will celebrate the re-launching Jim Lotz's book *Understanding Canada*, which explores the roots of community development in Canada.
 - ◆ **New Vibes Jazz Quartet** will perform on Friday, April 23 from 4:30-7:30pm.
 - ◆ **Community Knitting Night:** Whether you are an experienced knitter or would like to learn, come on out to enjoy a creative pastime with others in the community. Tuesday, April 6 at 5pm.
- **Recycle Cycles Community Bike Shop:** At 43 Queen St. S. **Hours:** Tuesday-Friday from 10am-5pm and Saturdays from 10am-2pm. Help refurbish old bikes, or fix your own bike with volunteer support (please call to book a time). **Recycle Cycles will close at 12pm on Thursday, April 1.** Contact Jesse at 519-749-9177 ext. 222.
 - ◆ **Wednesday April 14:** Free bike tune ups at Kitchener City Hall as part of the Wellness Fair from 9am-4pm. Regular shop hours will continue.
 - ◆ **Saturday April 24:** Free bike tune ups at Kitchener City Hall from 10am-3pm as part of Earth Day. Shop will be closed for this event.
- **Sewing Classes:** The Sewing Room offers beginner and advanced sewing classes. Volunteers are available to assist with learning the machines, working from a pattern, and applying sewing techniques. **Class times:** Mondays: 9am-10:30am, 10:30am-12:00pm; Wednesdays: 9am-10:30am, 10:30am-12:00pm, 1pm-2:30pm, 2:30pm-4:00pm. Call Margaret at 519-749-9177 ext. 232.
- **Worth a Second Look Furniture and Housewares:** Worth a Second Look is a thrift shop that provides the community with very low-cost used furniture and assorted houseware items. The store is located at 97 Victoria St. N. **Hours:** Mon. to Fri. from 9-5, Sat. from 9-4. We welcome donations of gently used goods during open hours. For more information, call 519-569-7566.

Computer Training

- **Computer Basics Class:** This 4-week course provides fundamental knowledge of computers to students with little or no experience. Classes are held Tuesdays from 1-4pm. The **next session** begins on Tuesday, April 6. Call Sergiane at (519)743-1151 ext. 236.
- **Drupal User Group:** All Drupal enthusiasts are welcome to join us for discussion and demonstration of topics for beginners and beyond. Held on the third Thursday of the month; April 15 from 7-9pm at 58 Queen St. S. Call Charles at 519-743-1151 ext. 121.
- **Self-Directed Computer Courses:** We offer a wide range of online tutorial courses. Learn at your own pace; also possible to work towards Microsoft certifications. Call us at 519-743-1151 ext. 236.

Other Events and Activities

- **The Commons Market: Celebrating Local Food!** Join us as we celebrate local food in a creative community market at 43 Queen Street South! **Pick Up days:** Wednesdays April 14 and 28 from 4-7pm. There are two options available:

- ◆ **Commons Market CSA:** Receive a box filled with affordable, seasonal, local organically grown produce and support local farmers at the same time. Boxes are filled with a wide selection of fresh produce including lettuces, tomatoes, eggplant, zucchini, broccoli, carrots, beans, peas, berries, leeks, and much more. Available as a half share (10 boxes over 20 weeks) or as a full share (20 boxes over 20 weeks).
- ◆ **The Commons Market:** Receive fresh food directly from local growers and producers including fruits, vegetables & herbs, meats from Traditional Foods, bread from Golden Hearth Bakery, cheese from Millbank Cheese, and wholesale items through Ebytown Food Co-op. Place your order on-line between Friday and Monday each week and pick up your fresh produce on Wednesday between 4:00-7:00.

For more information visit our website at www.theworkingcentre.org/market, contact Rebecca by phone at 519-743-1151 x130 or by email at market@theworkingcentre.org.

- **Diploma in Local Democracy - Society for Quality Education:** Presented by Malkin Dare. April 21, 7:30pm at St. John's Kitchen (97 Victoria St. N.) In this discussion, Dare will explore the need for increasing the level of democracy in the education system as a way of improving the quality of education received by students.
- **Filmmaking Workshop—Color Correction:** Producer and editor Chris Meidell will take you through the different tools, techniques and tricks used in Primary and Secondary color correction within Final Cut Pro and Color. **Workshop Time:** Saturday, April 3 from 9:30am to 11:30am.
- **Filmmaking Workshop - How to Read a Film - Exploring the Archetypal Themes in Avatar:** Moving through Avatar with an archetypal eye, this workshop will explore and present where these themes are evident in the film and what they tell us about our cultural state of mind. **Workshop Time:** Saturday, April 17 from 9:30am to 11:30am.
- **Finance and Budgeting pt.2 – Dealing with Debt:** This session is given by Mosaic Counselling + Family Services and offers participants ways to manage debt and deal with creditors. Several different options for dealing with debt are discussed in detail. **Workshop Time:** Tuesday, April 13 from 2-3:30pm at 58 Queen St. S. Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.
- **Housing Desk:** Looking for housing? We can help you in your search. **Hours:** Monday-Friday 1-4pm. Call 519-743-1151 ext. 117.
- **Housing Legal Clinic:** This service will offer legal advice relating to evictions, tenant rights, the Residential Tenancy Act, and other housing-related issues. **Clinic Times:** Tuesdays from 9am to 12pm. Check in at the reception desk at 58 Queen St. S. Call Chad at 519-743-1151 ext. 154.
- **Immigration Law Clinic:** This clinic will run some Tuesdays and Thursdays. Check in at the front desk, and bring all your immigration letters and paperwork with you. **Clinic Dates and times:** Thursdays, April 1 and 15 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Tech Talks - Soft Skills for the IT Market:** This program is specifically designed to help IT workers develop essential soft skills and better understand workplace culture to be successful in the IT Labour Market. **Class Times:** This 6-part course takes place on Tuesday evenings from 5:30pm to 7pm, beginning April 6. Call Michael at 519-743-1151 ext. 107 to register.
- **Toastmasters Club:** A weekly learn-by-doing group for effective communication and confident leadership skills. **Meeting Time:** Mondays, 7-8:30pm upstairs at 58 Queen St. S. Membership fee required. Guests welcome - free. Call Georgina at 519-743-7655 or email gggreen@rogers.com.