



# The Working Centre - December 2011 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

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Job Search Resource Centre Hours:</b></p> <p>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &amp; Friday: 9am-4pm</p> <p>Wednesday: 9am-7pm</p>	<p>Activities take place at both 43 &amp; 58 Queen St. S.</p> <p>Call 519-743-1151 to confirm location.</p>	<p>Calendar continued on back...</p>	<p><b>1</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-3:30 Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Interview Series (pt.2) 1-3pm</li> <li>•Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm</li> <li>•Speak English Café 6-8pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>2</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5 Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Craft Corner @ QSC 2-4pm</li> <li>•Music Night @ QSC, <i>A Yellow Field</i>, Mark Martyre and Anthony Damiao 7-9pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>3</b> 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"> <li>• MCC Workshop: Audio Techniques for Video 101 10am-12pm</li> </ul>
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<p><b>19</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Housing Desk 1-4pm Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Sewing Space 9am-12pm</li> <li>•Strategic Job Searching <i>Online Resources</i> 2-3:30pm</li> <li>•Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>20</b> 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"> <li>•Money Matters @ St. John's Kitchen 9:30-12pm</li> <li>•BarterWorks Info Session 4:30pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>21</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5 Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>22</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5 Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Interview Series (pt.1) 1-3pm</li> <li>•Speak English Café 6-8pm</li> <li>•St. John's Kitchen Christmas Dinner</li> </ul>	<p><b>23</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-5 Housing Desk CLOSED Recycle Cycles 10-5 Money Matters 9:30-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Craft Corner @ QSC 2-4pm</li> <li>•JSRC Open until 4</li> <li>•JSRC Open House 2-4pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>24</b> Worth a Second Look 9-12</p> <p>CHRISTMAS EVE</p>
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**Job Search Resource Centre** (see reverse for holiday hours)

- **Interview Series:** Learn the formula for success in interviews. Held Thursdays from 1pm-3pm at 58 Queen St. S. **Workshop Dates:** December 1 (pt.2), 8 (pt.1), 15 (pt.2), and 22 (pt.1). Call Lizzy at 519-743-1151 ext. 252.
- **Speak English Café:** Practice speaking English in an informal, café setting. Held on Thursdays from 6pm-8pm at 43 Queen St. S. in cooperation with MCRC. 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.
  - ◆ **Dec. 5: Finding the Right Work Environment**  
Call Imran at 519-743-1151 ext. 163.
  - ◆ **Dec. 12: Information Interviews**  
Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
  - ◆ **Dec. 19: Online Resources**  
Call Sonya at 519-743-1151 ext. 125.
- **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. Held in cooperation with MEDA. Call Greg: 519-743-1151 ext. 139, or email Bob: wrap@theworkingcentre.org.
- **Job Search Resource Centre is open until 7pm on Wednesdays!**

**Community Tools Projects** (Volunteers Welcome!)

- **BarterWorks:** Want to learn more about K-W's local community based trading system drop in to an **Office Hours** at 58 Queen St. S.; Tuesdays from 10am-4pm, please call for an appointment. For more information contact Greg at 743-1151 ext. 139.
  - ◆ **Information Session:** Want to learn more about K-W's local community based trading system? Drop in at 43 Queen St. S. on Tuesday, December 20 at 4:30pm.
- **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, 10am-6pm, and Saturday from 10am-4pm. Call Charles at 519-743-1151 ext. 225.
- **GROW Gardens:** A greenhouse and garden that produces microgreens, seedlings, herbs, teas, soaps, and more. Volunteers needed to join the harvesting, planting, and producing. Monday to Friday from 10am-4pm. To volunteer call 519-743-1151 ext. 113.
- **Maurita's Kitchen Cooking Sessions:** The kitchen offers a practical learning environment, where volunteers make all the meals from scratch. Volunteers help bake cookies, cakes, and other tasty treats using natural ingredients. They will also learn new vegetarian recipes, cook with whole foods, share skills, and help produce all of the food for the Queen Street Commons Café. You can volunteer Monday to Friday from 9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm. Call 519-743-1151 ext. 244.
- **The Multicultural Cinema Club:** Call 519-749-9177 ext.333 or visit kwmcc.org for more information about these events.
  - ◆ **Workshop: Audio Techniques for Video 101:** Chris Meidell, owner of Modevation Media, will explore audio techniques as well as options for fixing audio problems, adding special effects, and options for music.

Held on Saturday, December 3 from 10am-12pm at 43 Queen St. S. FREE for members, \$10 at the door for non members.

- ◆ **Workshop: Introduction to the Panasonic AF-100 Camera:** Reese Even-shen (Writer/director) offers up some basic beginners knowledge to working with the Panasonic AF-100 Hi-Def camera. Held on Saturday, December 17 from 10am-12pm at 43 Queen St. S. FREE for members, \$10 at the door for non members.
- **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. Held in cooperation with Extend-a-Family.
  - ◆ **Craft Corner:** A time to bring your knitting, crocheting, needlework and other crafting projects for an afternoon of swapping tales, tips and techniques. Beginners welcome. Every Friday from 2-4.
  - ◆ **Open Mic Nights:** Held the 2nd Friday of every month, come enjoy the music of local musicians. If you are a musician, come and share your music – sign up in advance or when you arrive. For more information, call Julia at 519-749-9177.
  - ◆ **In the Mind's Eye Film Screening—Tues. Dec. 6, at 7pm:** Canadian premier of the film *Bob and the Monster*.
  - ◆ **Dollars and Sense film screening—Wed. Dec. 7 at 7pm:** "Money" by Isaac Isatan.
  - ◆ **Wheatgrass Juicing Presentation—Dec 10th from 2-4pm**
  - ◆ **Classical Music Night—Tues. Dec. 13 at 7pm:** Featuring a Trio that includes an oboe, piano and vocals.
  - ◆ **Cinema Politica—Wed. Dec.14 at 7pm:** hosted by WPIRG – This month's film: *Better this World*.
  - ◆ **Music Night Every Friday!** Join us every Friday Night at the Queen Street Commons for some diverse music, special dinners, snacks and treats, fun drinks, games, and more! Stay tuned to our website for more details on the musical guests are they are announced.
    - △ **Dec. 2, 7-9pm:** Local Musicians – A Yellow Field, Mark Martyre and Anthony Damiao
    - △ **Dec. 9, 7-9pm:** Open Mic Night
    - △ **Dec. 16, 5-7:30pm:** New Vibes Jazz Quartet and a 15 voice Jazz Choir called Soul Sauce
- **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 3:30pm on Dec. 1. The shop will close for the holidays on Dec. 23, and reopen Jan. 3, 2012.** Contact Jesse at 519-749-9177 ext. 222.
- **Sewing Classes:** The Sewing Room offers beginner and advanced sewing classes on Monday mornings. Volunteers are available to assist with learning the machines, working from a pattern, and applying sewing techniques. Held Mondays from 9am-12pm. Please call ahead to register at 519-743-1151 ext. 153.

- **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 9am-5pm, Sat. from 9am-4pm. We welcome donations of gently used goods during open hours. For more information, call 519-569-7566.

**Computer Training**

- **Computer Classes:** Call Emily at 519-743-1151 ext. 236 to register for these classes: Computer Basics, MS Word 2007, or MS Excel 2007, that will resume in 2012.
- **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; December 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 Emily at 519-743-1151 ext. 236.

**Other Events and Activities**

- **Housing Desk:** Looking for housing? We can help you in your search. **Hours:** Monday-Friday 1-4pm. Call 519-743-1151 ext. 117.
- **Immigration Law Clinic:** Anyone interested in this clinic should check in at the front desk, and bring all your immigration letters and paperwork with you. **Clinic Times:** Thursdays, December 1 and 15 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Money Matters Drop-In:** Need help with your finances? We provide friendly support, information and connections to help you to manage your money in the best way possible. **Drop-in times at 58 Queen St. S.:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday from 9:30am to 12pm. **Drop-in times at 97 Victoria St. N. (St. John's Kitchen):** Tuesdays from 9:30am to 12pm. Call 519-743-1151 ext. 173.
- **Free Suits:** Used suits, jackets, pants and dress shirts of all sizes will be available free at St. John's Kitchen (97 Victoria St. N.) on Friday, December 9 from 2pm-5pm.
- **Targeted Initiative for Older Workers:** Are you 50 or older and looking for work? See our website for more information: www.theworkingcentre.org/tiow and call 519-549-0113 to register for an Information Session.
- **Looking for Creative Gift Ideas?**
  - ◆ Give a donation to The Working Centre and take home a card that you can give as a gift. Each card describes some of the work that your donation supports. Cards are available at Queen Street Commons Café.
  - ◆ Books for Sustainable Living offers meaningful book ideas
  - ◆ GROW Herbal, BarterWorks, and other crafters' items are available at Queen Street Commons Café
  - ◆ Computer Recycling offers refurbished computers
  - ◆ Worth a Second Look offers affordable used furniture and housewares