



The Working Centre - December 2009 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>Check our Community Job Posting Service at:</p> <p>http://www.theworkingcentre.org/jobs</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 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 7pm 	<p>2 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 4pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>3 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 6-8pm 	<p>4 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: 11am-12:30pm 	<p>5 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p>
<p>7 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 <i>Finding the Right Work Environment</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<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"> •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •WRAP Graduation @ QSC 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •MusicWorks Recital @ QSC 6-8pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>10 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>11 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: 11am-12:30pm 	<p>12 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p>
<p>14 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 <i>Internet Resources</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<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"> •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •BarterWorks Info Session 5:30-6:30pm 	<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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Commons Market @ QSC 4pm •Community Knitting Night @ QSC 5pm •Music by g.k. & d'Arcess @ QSC 7pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<p>17 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 6-8pm •Drupal User Group 7-9pm 	<p>18 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: 11am-12:30pm •An Old Time Country Christmas with Farmington State @ QSC 5pm 	<p>19 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p>
<p>21 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 <i>Information Interviews</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<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"> •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •Friends of Ugunja Celebration @ QSC 5pm 	<p>23 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Job Search Resource Centre Open House from 1-4pm. 	<p>24 Worth a Second Look 9-3 St. John's Kitchen Open</p>	<p>25 26</p> <p>Closed for the Holidays</p>	
<p>28 Queen St. Commons 9-5</p>	<p>29 Queen St. Commons 9-5 Worth a Second Look 9-5 St. John's Kitchen Open</p>	<p>30 Queen St. Commons 9-5 Worth a Second Look 9-5 St. John's Kitchen Open</p>	<p>31 Worth a Second Look 9-3 St. John's Kitchen Open</p>	<p>Activities take place at both 43 & 58 Queen St. S. Call 519-743-1151 to confirm location.</p>	
<p>We open again at all locations and activities on January 4, 2010</p>					
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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:** December 3, 10, and 17. 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. Call Julia at 519-743-1151 ext. 114.
- **Strategic Job Searching Series:** This revised four-part series offers sessions on Mondays from 2:00-3:30pm at 58 Queen St. S.
 - ◆ **Dec. 7: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Karen at 519-743-1151 ext. 230.
 - ◆ **Dec. 14: Internet Resources** - Call Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 161.
 - ◆ **Dec. 21: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
- **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. **Information Sessions:** Wednesday, January 6 at either 1:30pm or 7pm at 43 Queen St. S. 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, December 15 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! 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. Want to 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.
 - ◆ **The Commons Market: Fresh, Local Food Year-round!** Join us for The Commons Market at 43 Queen Street South! It is a great way to support local farmers and enjoy the company of others with an interest in locally produced food. For more information please visit <http://www.theworkingcentre.org/market> or contact Rebecca by phone at 519-743-1151x130 or by e-mail at market@theworkingcentre.org.
 - ◆ **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. Tuesday, December 1 from 7-9pm.
 - ◆ **Waterloo Region ASSETS+ Project Graduation:** Come enjoy refreshments while supporting graduates of this self-employment training project who will talk about their business ideas and the course itself. Held on December 8 from 6-8pm.
 - ◆ **MusicWorks/WLU Recital:** Come hear students of the MusicWorks project perform on December 9 from 6-8pm. This project offers free music lessons, taught by music students at Wilfred Laurier University.
 - ◆ **Community Knitting Night:** Whether you are an experienced knitter or would like to learn, come on out to enjoy a pass-time with others in the community. Wednesday, December 16 at 5pm.
 - ◆ **G.K. & d'Arcess** will play on Wednesday, December 16 at 7pm.
 - ◆ **"An Old Time Country Christmas" with Farmington State:** Come see this country Christmas concert on Friday, December 18 from 5-7:30pm.
- **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). Contact Jesse at 519-749-9177 ext. 222.

- **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, Fridays: 11am-12:30pm. 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:** Monday to Friday from 9-5, and Saturdays 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. The next series of classes will begin on January 12. Classes are held Tuesdays from 1-4pm. 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; December 17 from 7 to 9pm at 58 Queen Street South. 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

- **Friends of Ugunja Celebration:** Drop by to welcome back volunteers from the Ugunja Community Resource Centre, hear their stories, and see pictures of their travels. **Time and Place:** Tuesday, December 22 at 5:00pm (presentation at 5:30pm) at Queen Street Commons, 43 Queen St. S.
- **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:** 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, December 3 and 17 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.