



# The Working Centre - February 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><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 10-5</p>	<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</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Commons Market @ QSC 4-7pm</li> <li>•James Judd @ QSC 6pm</li> <li>•Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>3</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>•Interview Series 1-3pm</li> <li>•Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm</li> <li>•Songwriting Series @ QSC 1:30-3:30pm</li> <li>•Speak English Café 6-8pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</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>•Dreamkeepers CD Release @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>5</b> Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•MCC Workshop: Regional, Provincial, Federal Funding for Indie Films 9:30-11:30am</li> </ul>
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<p><b>28</b> Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Housing Desk 1-4pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Sewing Space 9am-12pm</li> <li>•Strategic Job Searching <i>Networking Skills</i> 2-3:30pm</li> <li>•Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm</li> <li>•Toastmasters Club 7-8:30pm</li> </ul>			<p><i>Check our Community Job Posting Service at:</i></p> <p><a href="http://www.theworkingcentre.org/jobs">http://www.theworkingcentre.org/jobs</a></p>	<p>Activities take place at both 43 &amp; 58 Queen St. S. Call 519-743-1151 to confirm location.</p>	<p>Calendar continued on back...</p>

## Job Search Resource Centre

**Interview Series:** Learn the formula for success in interviews. Held Thursdays from 1:00-3pm at 58 Queen St. S. **Workshop Dates:** February 3, 10, 17, and 24. Call Lizzy at 519-743-1151 ext. 252.

- **Speak English Café:** Practice speaking English in an informal, café setting. Held on Thursdays from 6-8pm at 43 Queen St. S. in cooperation with MCRS. 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.
  - ◆ **Feb. 7: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Imran at 519-743-1151 ext. 163.
  - ◆ **Feb. 14: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
  - ◆ **Feb. 28: 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. 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 7:00pm 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 **Information Session** at 43 Queen St. S. on Tuesday, February 15 from 5:30-6:30pm. **Office Hours** at 58 Queen St. S.; Monday and Tuesday 10-4 pm, please call for an appointment. **Community Market Day:** Saturday, February 26 from 10am-2pm at 43 Queen St. S. Come support local artists and the local economy. For more information contact Greg at 743-1151 ext. 139.
- **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 519-743-1151 ext. 134.
  - ◆ **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 519-743-1151 ext. 134.

- **Multicultural Cinema Club Workshops:** Call 519-749-9177 ext. 333 for more information about these events.
  - ◆ **Regional, Provincial, Federal Funding for Indie Films:** Most independent films are made on more love than money - but some funding is still necessary. This workshop will talk about regional, provincial, federal and private funding available for emerging independent filmmakers. Saturday, February 5, 2011, 9:30am-11:30am at 43 Queen St. S.
  - ◆ **Introduction to Color 1.5:** Color quickly becomes an indispensable part of your workflow once you see and begin to master its capabilities, and this course will help you get beyond some of the typical roadblocks. Saturday, February 19, 2011, 9:30am-11:30am at 43 Queen St. S.
- **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.
  - ◆ **Songwriting Series with James Gordon:** Join in the musical fun and learn to write original songs! Held on Thursdays, February 3, 10, 17, and 24 from 1:30 to 3:30pm in collaboration with Spark of Brilliance.
  - ◆ **Dreamkeepers CD Release:** Friday, February 4 from 6:30 to 8:30pm.
- **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 Space:** Our Sewing Space offers beginner and advanced sewing classes. Volunteers are available to assist with learning the machines, working from a pattern, and applying sewing techniques. **Hours:** Mondays from 9am-Noon in the basement of 66 Queen St. S. (entrance on Charles St.) Call Margaret at 519-743-1151 ext. 134.
- **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 in-depth course provides fundamental knowledge of computers to students with little or no experience. Call Sergiane at (519)743-1151 ext. 236 to register for the next available session.
- **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; February 17 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:** 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. **Pick up days:** Every second Wednesday; February 2 and 16 from 4-7pm. For more information visit our website at [www.theworkingcentre.org/market](http://www.theworkingcentre.org/market), contact Rebecca by phone at 519-743-1151x130 or by email at [market@theworkingcentre.org](mailto:market@theworkingcentre.org).
- **Housing Desk:** Looking for housing? We can help you in your search. **Hours:** Monday-Friday 1-4pm. Call 519-743-1151 ext. 117.
- **IELTS (International English Language Testing System) Test Centre** at Conestoga College will offer an IELTS information session. The session includes details about what IELTS is, what it can offer, the test format and where you can take the test in Ontario. The Information Session will be held on Wednesday, February 16 at 1:30pm at 58 Queen St. S.
- **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:** Thursday, February 3 and 17 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Targeted Initiative for Older Workers:** Are you 55 or older and looking for work? See our website for more information: [www.theworkingcentre.org/tiow](http://www.theworkingcentre.org/tiow) and call 519-549-0113 to register for an Information Session.
- **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](mailto:gggreen@rogers.com).