



The Working Centre - June 2009 Calendar

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Queen Street Commons Café
43 Queen Street South

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class 9am-10:30, 10:30-12pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Strategic Job Searching <i>Finding the Right Work Environment</i> 2-3:30pm •Linux Users Group 6-9pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>2 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Celebration of Foods 1-3pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Weaving and Herbal Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Music Jam with Johnny Mason @ QSC 7pm •Living w/ Less Money—Work Options 1-3pm 	<p>3 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Paperkräf</i> 2-4 •Wednesday After Hours 4-7 •Sewing Class 4-5:30pm •Mark Evans and Company @ QSC 6pm •Living w/ Less Money Workshops (see back for details) 	<p>4 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12 •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Interview Series: 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4 •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>5 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Recycled Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Music with James Judd @ QSC 5pm 	<p>6 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles CLOSED—On Location at Ecofest in Waterloo (at CIGI)
<p>8 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class 9am-10:30, 10:30-12pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Strategic Job Searching <i>Internet Resources</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm •Living and Learning w/ Blindness @ QSC 7:30pm 	<p>9 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Celebration of Foods 1-3pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Weaving and Herbal Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 7-9pm 	<p>10 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Paperkräf</i> 2-4 •Wednesday After Hours 4-7 •Sewing Class 4-5:30pm •Mark Evans and Company @ QSC 6pm 	<p>11 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12 •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Interview Series: 1-2:30pm •Careers in the New Green Economy (Kitchener Public Library) 3-6pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>12 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Recycled Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Knitting/Crochet Group @ QSC 5pm •Red Ribbon Players @ QSC 6pm 	<p>13 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-2pm
<p>15 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class 9am-10:30, 10:30-12pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Strategic Job Searching <i>Networking Skills</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>16 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Celebration of Foods 1-3pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Weaving and Herbal Crafts</i> 2-4pm •BarterWorks Discussion Night 5:30-6:30pm •Music Jam w/ Johnny Mason @ QSC 7pm 	<p>17 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Paperkräf</i> 2-4 •Wednesday After Hours 4-7 •Sewing Class 4-5:30pm •Mark Evans and Company @ QSC 6pm 	<p>18 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12 •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Interview Series: 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4 •Speak English Café 6-8pm •Drupal User Group 7-9pm 	<p>19 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Recycled Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Community Knitting Group @ QSC 5pm 	<p>20 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-2pm
<p>22 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class 9am-10:30, 10:30-12pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Strategic Job Searching <i>Information Interviews</i> 2-3:30pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>23 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Celebration of Foods 1-3pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Weaving and Herbal Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Music Jam w/ Johnny Mason @ QSC 7pm 	<p>24 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Paperkräf</i> 2-4 •Wednesday After Hours 4-7 •Sewing Class 4-5:30pm •Mark Evans and Company @ QSC 6pm 	<p>25 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12 •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Interview Series: 1-2:30pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm •Workplace Safety Awareness 10:30-12pm 	<p>26 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Recycled Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Music with James Judd @ QSC 5pm 	<p>27 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recycle Cycles 10am-2pm •BarterWorks Market Day @ Non-Violence festival in Victoria Park 12-9pm
<p>29 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sewing Class 9am-10:30, 10:30-12pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •Open Space @ QSC 6:30-8:30pm 	<p>30 Queen St. Commons 8:30-9 Worth a Second Look 9-5 Computer Recycling 10-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GROW Herbal Gardens 10am-12pm •Recycle Cycles 10am-5pm •Celebration of Foods 1-3pm •Housing Desk 1-4pm •2nd Floor Arts Space <i>Weaving and Herbal Crafts</i> 2-4pm •Music Jam w/ Johnny Mason @ QSC 7pm 	<p>Check our Community Job Posting Service at: http://www.theworkingcentre.org/jobs</p>		<p>Activities take place at both 43 & 58 Queen St. S. Call 519-743-1151 to confirm location.</p>	
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Job Search Resource Centre

- **Careers in the New Green Economy:** This information fair and discussion panel offers the chance to learn about Green careers and training opportunities in Waterloo Region. Find out about training opportunities, investigate future job prospects and gain industry-specific information. Held on June 11 from 3-6pm at the Kitchener Public Library (85 Queen St. N.). Call Sarah at 519-743-1151 ext.247.
- **Interview Series:** Learn the formula for success in interviews. Held Thursdays from 1:00-2:30pm at 58 Queen St. S. **Workshops Dates:** June 4, 11, 18, and 25. 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.
 - ◆ **June 1: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Karen at 519-743-1151 ext. 230.
 - ◆ **June 8: Internet Resources** - Call Matthew or Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 153 or ext. 161.
 - ◆ **June 15: Networking Skills** – Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.
 - ◆ **June 22: 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. Call Greg: 519-749-9177 ext. 236, or email Bob: wrap@theworkingcentre.org.
- **Wednesday After Hours:** Resource centre available for New Canadians who may not be available during regular business hours. Wednesdays 4-7pm. Resume and job search assistance, help with finding work in your field or in a related field, assistance with licensing and certification issues. Held at 58 Queen St. S.
- **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.
- **Workplace Safety Awareness:** Introduction to safety concepts; understanding rights and responsibilities; workplace hazards and WHMIS. Held on Thursday, June 25 from 10:30am-12pm. Call Dave T. at 519-743-1151 ext. 289.

Community Tools Projects (Volunteers Welcome!)

- **2nd Floor Arts Space:** On the 2nd floor of 43 Queen St. S., we offer herbal crafting, paper arts, sewing, weaving, and recycled crafts. Open every afternoon from Tuesday to Friday, 2-4 pm. Come and be creative with us! Call Misha at 519-749-9177 ext. 238.
 - ◆ **Tuesday:** weaving and herbal crafts
 - ◆ **Wednesday:** papermaking and paper arts
 - ◆ **Thursday:** on location at St. John's Kitchen
 - ◆ **Friday:** recycled crafts
- **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. **Market Day:** BarterWorks we will be taking our Market to Victoria Park as participants in the Non Violence Festival on June 27 from noon to 9pm. Come support

local artists! **Discussion Night:** Tuesday, June 16 from 5:30-6:30pm. An open conversation with potential and existing members about the practice of trading goods and services for BarterDollars. 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.
- **GROW Herbal Gardens:** Volunteers are welcome to come help out at the GROW garden on Tuesday and Thursday morning. Volunteers meet at Queen Street Commons Café (43 Queen St. S.) at 10am before heading to the garden. Call Misha at 519-749-9177 ext. 238.
- **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.
 - ◆ **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, June 9 from 7-9pm.
 - ◆ **Mark Evans and Company** will play shows on every Wednesday in June at 6pm.
 - ◆ **Music Jam with Johnny Mason:** Tuesdays June 2, 16, 23 and 30 at 7pm.
 - ◆ **James Judd** will play a show on Friday, June 5 and 26 at 6:30pm.
 - ◆ **Rod Michalko Talk:** Living and Learning with Blindness, Monday June 8 at 7:30pm.
 - ◆ **The Red Ribbon Players** will perform on Friday, June 12 at 6:30pm.
 - ◆ **Community Crochet & Knitting Group:** Whether you are an experienced knitter or would like to learn, come on out to enjoy a past-time with others in the community. This group will be meeting on Friday, June 19 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).
 - ◆ **On Saturday June 6, Recycle Cycles will be closed.** We will be offering free bike tune ups and a tire repair workshop for the Region of Waterloo's 2009 Eco-fest, located at CIGI in Waterloo. 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 from 9am-10:30pm and 10:30am-12pm, and Wednesdays from 4:00-5:30pm. Call Misha at 519-749-9177 ext. 238.
- **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 June 2. 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; June 25 from 7 to 9pm at 58 Queen Street South. Call Charles at 519-743-1151 ext. 121.
- **Linux Users Group (KWLUG):** The K-W Linux User Group is a monthly meeting of Linux/Open Source enthusiasts. Held on the first Monday of the month; June 1, from 6-9pm. **Presentation Topic:** OpenLayers—easily add a dynamic map to any webpage. Held at 43 Queen St. S. Call Charles at (519)743-1151 ext. 225 for more information.
- **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

- **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:** Thursday June 4 and Thursday June 18 from 1:30 - 4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Immigrant Loan Program:** This program is designed to provide access to loans for New Canadians living in Waterloo Region to pay for training and certification costs to help them find work in their profession or trade. If you would like more information about the Immigrant Loan Program please contact Sheena at 519-743-1151 ext 134.
- **Living with Less Money In-Depth Workshops:** The workshops listed here follow up from the Introductory workshops presented on May 2 and offer suggestion on how you can make positive changes to your life with less money. Call Nathan at 519-743-1151 ext. 168 or Yvette at ext. 101 for more information .
 - ◆ **Work Options** – June 2 from 1pm – 3pm, **Living Out the Choices** – June 3 from 7pm – 9pm, **Budgeting** – June 3 from 7pm – 9pm, **Clothing** – June 3 from 7pm - 9pm, **Getting Around** – June 3 from 7pm – 9pm, **Food** – June 3 from 7pm–9pm

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