



The Working Centre - March 2010 Calendar

58 & 43 Queen Street South, Kitchener, Ontario N2G 1V6



Queen Street Commons Café
43 Queen Street South

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St. John's Kitchen &
Worth a Second Look
97 Victoria Street North

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 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 •Songwriting Workshop @ QSC 2-4pm •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 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 •Creating a Financial Plan 2-3:30pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 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"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<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"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>5 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"> •Shannon & Will—Classic Country @ QSC 5-7pm 	<p>6 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p>
<p>8 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>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"> •Housing Legal Clinic 9am-12pm •Celebration of Foods Cooking 1-3pm •Computer Basics Class Starts 1pm •Creating a Financial Plan 2-3:30pm •Open Mic Night @ QSC 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"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Knitting Night @ QSC 5pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<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"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm •Speak English Café 6-8pm 	<p>12 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>13 Queen St. Commons 10-4 Worth a Second Look 9-4 Computer Recycling 10-4 Recycle Cycles 10-2</p>
<p>15 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 •Songwriting Workshop @ QSC 2-4pm •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 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>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"> •Sewing Class: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm •Commons Market @ QSC 4-6pm •James Judd @ QSC 6pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<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"> •Interview Series 1-2:30pm •Immigration Law Clinic 1:30-4pm •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 Housing Desk 1-4 Recycle Cycles 10-5</p>	<p>20 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"> •Drum Circle @ QSC 1-3pm
<p>22 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>Networking Skills</i> 2-3:30pm •Songwriting Workshop @ QSC 2-4pm •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 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>24 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 •Democracy as an Expression of Aboriginal Worldview @ SJK 7:30pm 	<p>25 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>26 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>27 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"> •BarterWorks Market Day 10-2pm
<p>29 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 •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 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>31 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 •James Judd @ QSC 6pm •Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm 	<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>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:** March 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. **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.
 - ◆ **Mar. 1: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Karen at 519-743-1151 ext. 230.
 - ◆ **Mar 8: Internet Resources** - Call Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 161.
 - ◆ **Mar 15: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
 - ◆ **Mar. 22: 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, March 16 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, March 27 from 10am-2pm 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 in-

terested 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, March 2 and 9 from 7-9pm.
 - ◆ **Songwriting Workshops** will be held on March 1, 15, and 22 from 2-4pm.
 - ◆ **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. Wednesday, March 10 at 5pm.
 - ◆ **Shannon and Will** will perform classic country on March 5 from 5-7pm.
 - ◆ **James Judd** will perform on March 17 and 31 at 6pm
 - ◆ **Drum Circle** with Winston Well-charged Cole on March 20 from 1-3pm
- **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 Tuesday, March 9. 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; March 18 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

- **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 March 17 and 31 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 519-743-1151x130 or by email at market@theworkingcentre.org.
- **Diploma in Local Democracy - Democracy as an Expression of Aboriginal Worldview:** Presented by Mac Saulis. March 24, 7:30pm at St. John's Kitchen (97 Victoria St. N.) In this discussion, Saulis will explore the idea of worldview as a useful tool in examining the purpose of one's life, and how community and democracy can flow from a shared worldview.
- **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, March 11 and 18 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Finance and Budgeting pt.1 - Creating a Financial Plan:** In this workshop, you will learn to budget by creating a financial plan, increase savings, establish your priorities, and cut expenses. **Workshop Time:** Tuesday, March 9 from 2-3:30pm. Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.