



# The Working Centre - May 2010 Calendar

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



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
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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:** May 6, 13, 20, and 27. 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 four-part series offers sessions on Mondays from 2:00-3:30pm at 58 Queen St. S.
  - ◆ **May 3: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Karen at 519-743-1151 ext. 230.
  - ◆ **May 10: Internet Resources** - Call Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 161.
  - ◆ **May 17: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
  - ◆ **May 31: 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 Sessions:** Tuesdays, May 4 and May 18 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, May 29 from 11am-3pm 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.
  - ◆ **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—Try our new sandwich and salad bar menu!** 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, May 4 and 11 from 7-9pm.
  - ◆ **James Judd** will perform on Wednesdays, May 5 and 19 at 7pm.
  - ◆ **Songwriting Workshops** will be held on Mondays May 10 and 17 from 2-4pm.
  - ◆ **g.k. & d'Arcess** will perform on Wednesday, May 12 at 7pm.
  - ◆ **Freddy Torrealba**, a world-renowned and respected Charango Player from Chile, will play on May 14 from 12:30-1:30pm.
  - ◆ **The Urban Monks** will play a show on Friday May 21 from 6:30 to 8:30pm.
  - ◆ **Pianist Maggie Cross** will perform on Wednesday May 26 at 7pm.
  - ◆ **New Vibes Jazz Quartet** will perform on Friday, May 28 from 4:30-7:30pm.
- **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.
  - ◆ **Wednesday May 12:** Recycle Cycles will be at Empire Public School's Earth Day event (83 Empire Street, Kitchener) from 6-8pm.
  - ◆ **Saturday May 15:** Recycle Cycles will be at the Mill-Courtland Community Centre in Kitchener offering free bicycle tune ups from 10am-2pm. **The Recycle Cycles shop will be closed on this day.**
- **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. 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:** 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 4-week course provides fundamental knowledge of computers to students with little or no experience. Classes are held Tuesdays from 1-4pm. The **next session** begins on Tuesday, May 4. 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; May 20 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: Celebrating Local Food!** Join us as we celebrate local food in a creative community market at 43 Queen Street South! **Pick Up days:** Wednesdays May 12 and 26 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 4-7pm.
- For more information visit our website at [www.theworkingcentre.org/market](http://www.theworkingcentre.org/market), contact Rebecca by phone at 519-743-1151 x130 or by email at [market@theworkingcentre.org](mailto:market@theworkingcentre.org).
- **Diploma in Local Democracy - Democracy, Community, & the Limits of Law & Politics:** Presented by Ken Westhues. May 12, 7:30pm at St. John's Kitchen (97 Victoria St. N.) Westhues' discussion will explore how groups must look to their own members rather than large institutions to create real, inclusive, and meaningful communities.
- **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, May 11 from 2-3:30pm. Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext. 127.
- **Green Careers From the Inside Out - Building Your Green Skills Profile:** Graduates of colleges and universities, New Canadians, and all persons seeking to energetically strengthen their portfolios in the green sector will hear from professionals with ideas and best practices about forward career movement. **Time and Place:** 2pm-5:30pm at the Kitchener Public Library (85 Queen St. N.)
- **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, May 6 and 20 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **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.