



# The Working Centre - November 2009 Calendar

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



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

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Queen Street Commons Café  
43 Queen Street South

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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:** November 5, 12, 19, and 26. 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.
  - ◆ **Nov. 2: Finding the Right Work Environment** - Call Karen at 519-743-1151 ext. 230.
  - ◆ **Nov. 9: Internet Resources** - Call Jenny at 519-743-1151 ext. 161.
  - ◆ **Nov. 16: Information Interviews** - Call Jessica at 519-743-1151 ext. 132.
  - ◆ **Nov. 23: 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. **Festive Season Sale:** Find unique gifts such as books, herbal products, knitted goods, crafts, jewellery, pottery, candles, handmade paper, and more. Friday, November 27 from 5-8pm and Saturday November 28 from 10am-3pm at 43 Queen St. S. Come support local artists and the local economy! **Information Session:** Tuesday, November 17 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.
  - ◆ **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, November 3 and November 17 from 7-9pm.
  - ◆ **The Fall of the Wall:** Join us on Tuesday, November 10th from 6:30-8:00pm for reflections and perspectives on the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Iron Curtain. This evening will include a short documentary film, personal stories and discussions of what this time in history may mean to us.
  - ◆ **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, November 18 at 5pm.
  - ◆ **G.K. & d'Arcess** will perform on Wednesday, November 11 at 7pm.
  - ◆ **Video - The Story of Stuff:** Hosted by a group of MSW students from Wilfrid Laurier University, this 20-minute animation of the consumerist society will be followed by a discussion and ideas for simple living. Wednesday, November 25 at 7pm.
  - ◆ **The New Vibes Jazz Quartet** will play a show on Friday November 27 from 4:30pm - 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 November 3. 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; November 19 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

- **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, November 5 and November 19 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.
- **Living with Less Money Workshops:** See [www.theworkingcentre.org/less](http://www.theworkingcentre.org/less)
  - ◆ **Orientation Session:** Friday, November 13 from 10:30am to 12pm. Unsure where to start? Attend our Orientation Session for an overview of all the Living with Less Money supports offered at The Working Centre.
  - ◆ **Finance and Budgeting #2 :** This workshop focuses on creating a budget and explores ways to save money. **Workshop Time:** Monday November 9 from 1:00 to 2:30pm. Call Rita at 519-743-1151 ext.127.
  - ◆ **Living Out the Choices:** This series offers an in depth look at choices we trade off in our lives and work. What really counts? What do we cherish most in our lives? Private writing exercises, a quiet reflective method called a card sort, and visual tools help participants study the major turning points of life, bringing fresh light to old dilemmas. This workshop is really about "talking to yourself as a fair witness." Participants should note that a thoughtful discernment of life values can be made in this workshop if sincere effort between sessions is contributed by group members. **Workshop Times:** Wednesdays November 11, 18, and 25 from 3-4pm. Call Teena at 519-743-1151 ext. 133.
  - ◆ **Transportation #3 - Shifters and Derailleurs:** Learn how to maintain and repair your bike's shifters and derailleurs. **Workshop Time:** Wednesday, November 18 at 6:30pm at 43 Queen St. S. Preregistration is required. Call Jesse at 519-749-9177 ext.222.