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## **Celebrating Kingston's arts and culture community during Culture Days 2019**

Culture Days, a nation-wide, three-day event that celebrates arts and culture, is set to kick-off in Kingston and across Canada on Friday 27 September, Saturday 28 September and Sunday 29 September, 2019. The Kingston Arts Council (KAC), the region's primary resource for arts information and support, will maintain its role as the host organization for Culture Days this year again. Culture Days in Kingston features a variety of free activities that provide an opportunity to build connections, awareness and pride in our cultural community and promote direct interaction between creators and the public as a means to strengthen long-term support for arts and culture.

### **10 years of Culture Days**

In 2019, Ontario Culture Days is celebrating its ten-year anniversary. As part of their celebrations for this milestone, they are working closely with National Culture Days and will be examining the arts and culture sector through the lens of creativity and well-being. This year, the Tett Centre for Learning and Creativity is an official Hub for Culture Days events, inviting the community to learn more about the different organizations they house and to partake in workshops and activities at their Open House.

### **Culture Days Events in Kingston**

This year, over 20 free arts events and workshops will happen all around the city of Kingston. For full details about the activities, check <http://www.artskingston.ca/culture-days/>. Here is a snapshot of what you can expect:

#### **Friday, 27 September**

Kingston Writersfest presents: Identity Through Poetry: Who is Bruce Kauffman?

Kingston Writersfest presents: Voaden Prize Play Reading

Lorna Crozier Book Launch: The House the Spirit Builds, Studio 22 and Kingston Writersfest

Art After Dark – Fall, Downtown Kingston! BIA

Open House, Kingston School of Art

Afrisa Dance Workshop, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Art Exhibition by Pengyuan Wang, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

A Culture Days Celebration of Classical and Concert Dance, The Conservatory

#### **Saturday, 28 September**

Fall Princess Street Promenade, Downtown Kingston! BIA

Ontario Street ABCs: Artists, Builders and Creators! PumpHouse

Exploring Ontario Street: Curator Tour Outside the Museum Walls, PumpHouse

Participainting, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning



Sheep to Fall, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Kids Creativity Club, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Art Exhibition by Pengyuan Wang, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

### **Sunday, 29 September**

Kingston Writersfest presents: Visual Storytelling

Kingston Writersfest presents: And the Journey Continues...

Imagining Rembrandt Tour: See for Yourself with Carmen Papalia, Agnes Etherington Art Centre

Community Drum Circle with Ollin, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

CRAFT Hub, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Play with Clay!, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Blue Prints: Cyanotype Workshop with Anna Soper, Kingston Arts Council

Create your own Hexaflexagon, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Art Exhibition by Pengyuan Wang, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

Tett Centre Open House, Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

### **About Culture Days**

Culture Days has become the largest cultural event in Canada, attracting more than 2 million attendees to thousands of free activities and performances hosted by artists, cultural organizations and municipalities in 800 communities across Canada. From Nunavut to New Brunswick, British Columbia to Hudson's Bay – and all points in between – Culture Days highlights and amplifies the diverse arts and cultural life of our communities. As a leading national voice for an active and engaged cultural life, Culture Days provides a range of tools and skill development resources that lead to greater cultural engagement. The Culture Days annual national awareness campaign culminates in a three-day celebration of the arts starting on the last Friday of September. Visit [www.culturedays.ca](http://www.culturedays.ca) for more information.

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