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President's Message



Jeff Garrah
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Hello Guildwood! It is such an honour to represent such an amazing and vibrant community here in a

beautiful corner of Scarborough. While I didn't grow up in Guildwood, I am married to someone who did, and was afforded a very early glimpse into what this community has to offer. This made it a no-brainer and ultimate goal to select this community as the only destination for our own family to bud and grow. My wife, our three kids and two pets love everything about this community. As President of the GVCA I am wholly committed to the best interests of the community, ensuring our growth, our heritage, our green space and the unequalled balance between life, nature and arts that differentiates this community from any other in the GTA. Guildwood must not only be respected, but protected against a backdrop of political rhetoric that looks to challenge that model with unfettered densification mandates.

These are unprecedented times for the community of Guildwood. We have all three levels of government currently marching towards densification at all costs. While we have received good support from our local city councillor on some of these issues, the cards are definitely stacked against us. There is widespread removal or muting of checks and balances such as the Committee of Adjustments, initiatives like EHON, and as-of-right zoning that will challenge the very nature of our community that do not take into account the fundamental uniqueness of Guildwood, its garden and arts-based heritage, its sidewalk-free streets, its many parks, schools, and senior/ family/pedestrian/cycling/pet based traffic. As such, the GVCA has a number of initiatives and subcommittees in place to try to be the voice of our constituents across all levels of government for these issues. While we understand density is needed here and elsewhere in the city, we do not condone a one size fits all approach, and truly feel that Guildwood does deserve a second look before widespread legislation drastically and irreversibly changes the landscape for good.

On a more positive note, this association is run by a dedicated and committed group of volunteers, and I'd like to personally thank Robert D'Addario, our former president, for his years of leadership and focus during his term. He ensured that many of these initiatives, topics and events continued to thrive despite a sizable turnover in these volunteers. Robert plans to stay on the board of directors in continuation of his dedication to the community and we are truly thankful for his support. I'd also like to thank the executive team (past and present)

and board of directors for continually devoting their time, energy, and love for this community.

Other special shoutouts go to the following people:

- former Treasurer Kelly Cole, who has been instrumental in the continuity and success of many of the GVCA's events, including the membership drive, Guildwood day and many of the behind-the-scenes day-to-day administration of the Association,
- Jim and Jane Whitney (Past President, membership drive, editorials for News and Views and numerous other roles) for their continued support, knowledge and guidance of many of the same, and
- Ashley Rycroft, who despite no longer having the time to commit to her board duties, has stayed on to help ensure that Guildwood day continues to be a shining example of what this community is all about.

The GVCA is always looking for new members, volunteers, and executive support, as it truly takes a village to run the village, and many of our Board of Directors (who also deserve huge shoutouts) pull double and triple duty across the initiatives that make us one of the oldest, largest, and most influential community associations in the GTA. We currently have an opening for the position of GVCA Vice President, as well as many other roles within the board, where you can get involved in your community and help make a difference. Please feel free to reach out to president@guildwood.ca if you'd like to get involved!

We have struck some amazing partnerships and initiatives with like-minded and local associations such as Cliffcrest Community Residents Association (CCRA), Scarborough United Neighbourhoods (SUN), West Rouge Community Association (WRCA) and Highland Creek Community Association (HCCA) that will be great partners and advocates for the issues facing our neighbouring communities in the years to come.

My (proverbial) door is always open, we welcome your input, comments and feedback and will be looking for new and exciting ways to engage all members of our community throughout the year (not just around Guildwood day).

Thanks for all of your continued support!

Why World Premieres Matter And Why We're Producing Two of Them



Helen Juvonen & Tyler J. Seguin, Co-Artistic Directors





When we took on the leadership of Guild Festival Theatre, we knew we wanted to do more than stage the classics. Classical theatre is our

foundation, but theatre is a living art form and in order for it to thrive, we also need to make room for what's next. That's why, in 2023, we launched a new play development program with support from the Ontario Arts Council that we called in Conversation With Classics.

We invited four playwrights to create new plays inspired by classical themes like ancient myths, timeless characters and stories that still echo today. Over several months, we gathered to read scenes aloud, ask big questions, make bold suggestions, and shape these plays from the ground up. In March 2024, we shared excerpts with a live audience from the following plays:

Heratio by Genevieve Adam
The Veil by Keith Barker and Thomas Morgan Jones
1462 by Azeem Nathoo

After the reading, we felt that all of these scripts had a future, but the one with most immediate possibility for GFT was *Heratio*. It was funny and smart and the audience told



Janelle Hanna as Horatio, Photo by Raph Nogal

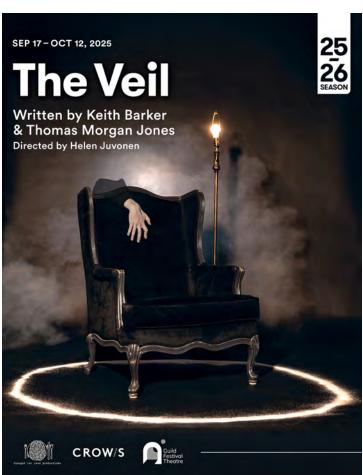
us they wanted more and it was the closest to completion. We decided to program it as part of our 2025 season and continued to work with Genevieve to fine-tune the script including a workshop with actors in April of this year.

Meanwhile, Keith and Thomas were putting the final polish on *The Veil*, a haunting horror story inspired by the works of Edgar Allan Poe. In fall 2024, they came to us with a question: "Would GFT want to produce the premiere?" We knew it wouldn't work on the stage of the Greek Theatre-it's an intimate one-man show requiring much more control over the space. But we loved the script and so we started hunting for an appropriate venue, ideally aiming for fall 2025, in time for Spooky Season. While there was a lot

of interest in the script, there wasn't a lot of room for the dates we had in mind and it looked like we'd have to wait until 2026... until Crow's Theatre called.

They had an opening. Did we want to premiere *The Veil* with them this October?

Of course, we said YES.



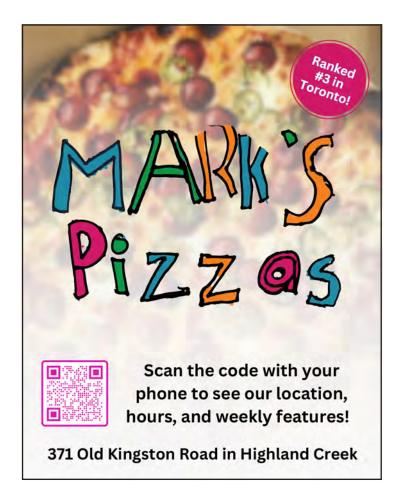
To make the timelines and budgeting work The Veil is being produced by Thought For Food Productions (our indie company and creative home before GFT) in association with Crow's Theatre and Guild Festival Theatre. It's a little complicated, but each organization is playing a distinct role in the production and we're all very excited to be making it happen.

So here we are: two world premieres, both born from our new play development program, both headed on stage only weeks apart. But why is it important for GFT to be producing world premieres?

Because a world premiere isn't just a first performance, it's the launch of something new into the world. It's the moment a play finds its first breath, its first audience, its first heartbeat. And if all goes well, these plays will have a life beyond this first production. Other companies might produce them - across the country and maybe even elsewhere in the world. And every time that happens, the name Guild Festival Theatre will be attached, and those future audiences will know that these plays got their start right here in Guildwood.

Heratio runs until August 24th in Guild Park & Gardens. Tickets available at www.guildfestivaltheatre.ca

The Veil runs September 17-October 12 at Crow's Studio Theatre. Tickets available at www.crowstheatre.com







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Together, We Grow: Reflecting on the 2025 GVCA Membership Campaign

Lynda Balogh



As we wrap up another successful membership campaign, I'd like to take a moment to recognize the incredible community spirit that powered our 2025 efforts. Thanks to the collective energy of our dedicated volunteers, we welcomed new members, reconnected with long-time supporters, and strengthened the

fabric of our Association. This year's campaign brought engagement across the entire community - and we exceeded 2024's membership total.

We are proud to have one of the highest local membership rates of any community association in Ontario. Being a member is more than just signing up—it's a meaningful way to stay connected, informed, and involved in the life of our neighbourhood. Every member strengthens the GVCA's voice and credibility when advocating on behalf of Guildwood. Your support helps ensure we can continue hosting events, sharing important updates, and representing our community's interests with impact. Thank you for being an important part of what makes Guildwood such a special place to call home.

Thank You to Our Volunteer Team

A special thank you goes out to all of our volunteers. Area Coordinators were the organizational backbone of the campaign, recruiting canvassers, coordinating the distribution and collection of materials, troubleshooting, and encouraging canvassers every step of the way. Our Canvassers gave their time and energy to connect face-to-face with neighbours, answer questions, and share what makes the GVCA matter. Everyone who helped with the Guildwood Day membership tables, greeting people with a smile, answering questions, selling memberships and tickets, and welcoming new faces - your presence created a warm and inviting space. Each volunteer brought our mission to life and helped build a more connected and vibrant neighbourhood.

I am proud to celebrate the many long-time volunteers who returned once again to support the campaign. Your ongoing commitment and historical perspective are invaluable and deeply appreciated. At the same time, you continue to deliver fresh energy and ideas, each bringing something special to the campaign. We also had new volunteers join us to canvas for the first time this year. We hope this is just the beginning of your involvement and that we'll see you back in 2026!

Every conversation, every connection, and every new membership was made possible by people like you. On behalf of the GVCA Board - thank you! Together, we are building a stronger, more engaged community, one member at a time.

We extend special recognition to Jean Witherspoon, a true "professional volunteer," who stepped back this year after an extraordinary 49 years as a GVCA Canvasser (1976) and Area Coordinator (1991). A Guildwood resident since 1968, Jean dedicated herself to the community because of the GVCA's steady, reassuring presence in times of need. She says there is nothing in the world quite like Guildwood, and believes we live in a village in more than just name — it's a true village with a unique spirit. Jean's commitment reminds us that supporting the community doesn't take great effort when it's rooted in connection and care. She encourages others to get involved, attend events, meet their neighbours, and support the causes that make Guildwood special.

Looking Ahead: Volunteers Continue to Make Guildwood Thrive; Join Us in 2026

While the 2025 campaign has come to a soft close (if we missed you, memberships are still available for purchase at https://www.guildwood.ca/become-a-member), planning for 2026 begins soon—and we'd love to have you involved! Whether you're a seasoned campaigner or thinking about volunteering for the first time, there's a role for you. Helping with the membership campaign is a great way to meet neighbours, contribute meaningfully, and make a tangible difference in our community. If you're interested in learning more or signing up early for the 2026 campaign, please reach out to membership@quildwood.ca.

Thank you - it truly takes a (Guildwood) Village!



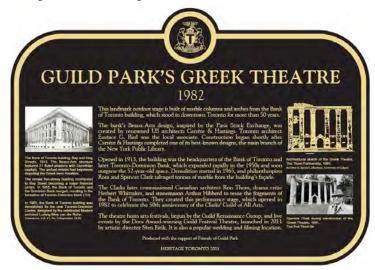
History Takes Centre Stage at Guild Park

John P. Mason, President, Friends of Guild Park



Hundreds of GVCA members got to see history in the making during Guildwood Day 2025. That's when Guild Park supporters – reps from the community, Heritage Toronto and government – officially recognized Guild Park's Greek Theatre as a valued historic asset of the City of Toronto.

Unveiling the Heritage Toronto plaque for this unique landmark at Guild Park was a long time coming. More than 40 years has passed since the century-old blocks of hand-sculpted marble were reassembled into an open-air stage along the Scarborough Bluffs.



Guild Park supporters donated \$7,500 for the Greek Theatre's new plaque.

The heritage plaque commemorates an ornate but now lost bank building, and the remarkable couple with the vision to resurrect the façade of that demolished structure as a one-of-a-kind venue for live performances.

This new heritage plaque also recognizes how local residents, Guild Park supporters, artists and audiences continue to use the Greek Theatre as originally intended – an inspiring place where music and dance, comedy and drama are enjoyed under the stars.

The Heritage Toronto plaque came about by a grass-roots fundraising campaign. It was launched by the award-winning not-for-profit known as Friends of Guild Park, in partnership with Heritage Toronto. Contributing to the \$7,500 campaign were more than two dozen individuals and organizations, including Friends of Guild Park, Guild Renaissance Group and the GVCA.

At the plaque unveiling, Friends of Guild Park President, John Mason, noted how this initiative "shows the magic that happens at Guild Park when the community, park supporters and City officials all collaborate together ... to make sure the site operates as a spectacular destination that welcomes ... the world."

Local elected officials MPP Andrea Hazell and Toronto Deputy Mayor/Ward 23 Councillor Paul Ainslie also spoke in support of Guild Park's ongoing revitalization and recognition. "I'd like to mention the importance of Guild Park and Gardens. It's really more than just a park. It's a living museum and a vibrant community garden where history, art and nature are all converging."

The story of Guild Park's Greek Theatre began in 1912. That's when the Bank of Toronto built its lavish headquarters at King and Bay streets. Bank executives wanted a signature building for Toronto's emerging financial district downtown.

For the project, the Bank of Toronto hired one of North America's leading architects, Carrere and Hastings. The company had previously designed the grand New York City Public Library, as well as some of the most opulent hotels in Florida, then a new and fashionable tourist destination.

The new Bank of Toronto building symbolized financial stability and prosperity. Its white, hand-sculpted exterior was inspired by the neo-Classical style of the Paris Stock Exchange. The new bank headquarters boasted 21 fluted columns with Corinthian capitals, and arched entries, each decorated with keystones of the Greek hero, Herakles. Above the three main entrances were carved marble images depicting the bank's priorities: Agriculture, Intelligence and Enterprise.



The 1912 Bank of Toronto building was a landmark at King and Bay streets.

For decades, the Bank of Toronto grew in step with the city and country. By 1955, the bank merged with the Dominion Bank to become the Toronto-Dominion (TD) Bank. The combined operations quickly outgrew the 1912 headquarters. The bank decided to create a much larger complex in tune with the fast-changing 1960s. TD hired modernist architect, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, to create the 56-storey TD Centre on the site of the bank's 1912 headquarters. The new project required demolishing the old building, along with its links to the past.

Enter philanthropists and art supporters, Rosa and Spencer Clark. They were the couple who in the 1960s owned the property of today's Guild Park. The Clarks' life dream was to make the world better through art.

In 1932, during the Great Depression, they founded the Guild of All Arts at their home along the Scarborough Bluffs. It was the only place in Canada where artists and artisans lived and worked in a cooperative community. The couple went on to establish the Guild Inn, a country resort where tourists shared the Clarks' inspiring grounds with resident artists.

By the 1960s, the Clarks were collecting features of newly demolished buildings to display on their property. Appalled by the prospect of losing the architectural splendour of the 1912 Bank of Toronto, the Clarks stepped in, salvaged tonnes of marble from the building's façade and trucked the pieces to their Guild Inn property.

The next question was what to do with all the stone? An

engineer by training, Spencer Clark considered different ways of reusing the marble. One early idea was to build an ornamental structure – a "folly" – around the existing circular fountain on the grounds.

But the Clarks adhered to the Arts & Crafts philosophy of bringing beauty and utility to life. The couple intended any new feature built from the bank remnants had to be more than just garden decorations. It also had to serve a purpose.

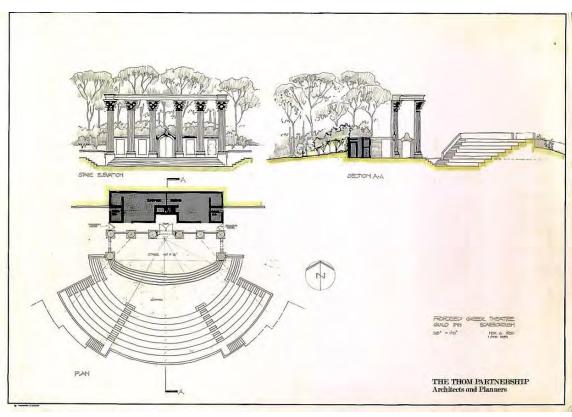
After more than a decade, the solution to the stones came from a talented triumvirate – all friends of Spencer Clark. Drama critic and stage director Herbert Whitaker, architect Ron Thom and stonemason Arthur Hibberd developed an innovative plan. They would transform the features of a financial institution into an inspiring centrepiece for the Clarks' Guild of All Arts - an outdoor Greek-style theatre as an impressive venue for visitors.

Construction took about two years. Original plans for amphitheatre seating for audiences and backstage facilities for performers never proceeded. Assembling the theatre itself required refitting each marble piece used in the eight repurposed Corinthian columns.

For this work, Hibberd brought his large-scale stonecutting equipment to the site. The machine's flywheel assembly remains at Guild Park today as a testament to Hibberd's craft.

The Greek Theatre project was completed in 1982 at a total cost of roughly \$250,000 (the equivalent to about \$750,000 in 2025 dollars). The Clarks financed most of the work, with \$100,000 contributed through Wintario, Ontario's first lottery program. Sadly, Rosa Clark died in July 1981 and never saw the Greek Theatre completed.

In August 1982, three days of festivities marked the opening of this landmark, which coincided with the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Guild of All Arts. For the gala, Ontario's Premier Bill Davis, government officials, and creative luminaries, including theatre architect Thom and Canadian artist Sorel Etrog, joined Spencer Clark on Toronto's newest stage.



Canadian architect Ron Thom originally designed the Greek Theatre with seating and backstage facilities.

For more than 40 years, the Greek Theatre has hosted thousands of live stage and musical performances, welcomed arts festivals and set the scene for numerous film, TV and music video productions. These include *The Skulls, Relic Hunter* and portions of Drake's 2011 *Headlines* video. In addition, countless wedding photographers use the photogenic setting for memorable pictures, videos and selfies.



Toronto rapper Drake filmed his video, Headlines, at the Greek Theatre.

Since 2011, Guild Festival Theatre has produced its popular summer series of professional performances on the stage; in the process earning a pair of Dora Awards – the Oscars of Toronto's theatre scene.

Guild Park's landmark stands out today as a mix of history, the arts, and community spirit. With the new Heritage Toronto plaque installed, the Greek Theatre's story can be told to the world.



In Memory of Carole Lidgold

January 24, 1943 - March 4, 2025



Author of "The History of The Guild Inn" 2000

Predeceased by her husband, Gordon, and survived by her daughter, Lori, and several grandchildren.

Carole was a long-time member of the Canadian Authors Association. She wrote several magazine and newspaper

articles as well as historical and childrens' books but always found the time to take part in local Guildwood Community events, Girl Guides, Probus and The Serenata Singers at Washington United Church.

A special thanks to Lee Pasternak for tirelessly providing Carole with care and support during her declining years.

Carole we will miss you.

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Robyn Bluestein

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From bouncy castles and carnival games, to the introduction of the dunk tank, there was fun to be had at every turn. Guests enjoyed face painting, arts and crafts, music, a bustling vendor market showcasing small businesses and sponsors from across our community - and they even got to dunk some favourite teachers and the principal! With something for everyone, the Spring into Summer Fun Fair truly lived up to its name.

Thanks to the incredible generosity and enthusiasm of our community, we are proud to share that this year's event raised **over \$22,000** for Elizabeth Simcoe J.P.S! These funds will go directly towards enhancing educational programming, classroom resources, and student enrichment opportunities for the upcoming school year.

This remarkable achievement would not have been possible without the support of our dedicated volunteers, generous sponsors, hardworking planning committee, and of course, the many families who came out to celebrate and contribute.

On behalf of the entire school, thank you for helping us make this event a memorable kick-off to summer — and for helping us continue to support and enable our amazing students.

We can't wait to do it all again next year!









Friends of Guild Park – Shoreline Cleanup

Rosalee Mitchell Spohn



Thank you to everyone who joined the Friends of Guild Park (Friends) in a cleanup in the spring (April 26th) as part of the Guildwood Community Cleanup, April 27th shoreline cleanup for Ocean Wise Shoreline Cleanup, and in May the 55 Toronto Sparks. More than 12,000 items of shoreline trash have been picked up (as of June 12th);

mostly plastics. Of concern is the number of bottle caps, flossers, and lighters being found relative to what was found in the last few years.

Plan to join the Friends on **Saturday, September 20th**, Coastal Cleanup Day, in our annual fall shoreline cleanup.

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Multi-tenant (Rooming) Houses in Guildwood

Jeff Garrah



The City defines a multi-tenant house, commonly known as a rooming house, as a building where four or more rooms are rented out to separate people. Tenants may share the kitchen and/or washroom but they do not live together as a single housekeeping unit. The challenge is that there are

many loopholes and blockages to enforcement of the rules and regulations there to protect both the tenants and neighbouring properties from the dangers associated with fire, safety, and pests that can come from unkempt properties.

No less than 15 potential rooming houses have been identified in Guildwood, and residents are concerned that this number will continue to increase, so we thought it important to do some education, as well as provide some details on how to get involved to ensure operator compliance to city standards.

As a tenant: Know your Rights https://www.toronto.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2024/11/90dd-MultiTenantHousingTenantGuideDigitial.pdf

If you get no action from your landlord and problems persist, contact 311 to have the City investigate. You can call 311, submit a complaint/service request online (https://www.toronto.ca/home/311-toronto-at-your-service/) or email 311@toronto.ca.

Once you submit a complaint (service request) through 311, the City will reach out to you. If your complaint is urgent and related to vital services, the City will respond within 24 hours. If your complaint is about a non-urgent issue then the City will respond within five days.

You can check the status using the reference number provided to you. Call 311 anytime and a customer service representative will assist you. You can also track your service request online by entering your reference number on the 311 page or in the 311 app.

Landlords are responsible for cleaning and maintaining common spaces including bathrooms, kitchens, and hallways. The landlord must also have plans for waste and pest management. If there are pests, the landlord must take adequate measures to prevent their spread and to eliminate them. Your landlord must respond to non-urgent service requests within seven days and urgent service requests within 24 hours. Urgent requests can include fuel, electricity, gas, heat, cold or hot water issues.

As a concerned citizen:

You can also reach out to 311 and voice concerns over things like parking on lawns, garbage accumulation and pest control. Fire departments can be reached to investigate proper egress compliance and fire safety protocols, especially when occupancy is perceived to be above, or well above, normal residence capacity. You can also file a service request here (home/311-toronto-at-your-service/create-a-service-request/service-request/?request=0VS6g00000DzooGAC) to investigate and report a property that does not meet the City of Toronto's Municipal Code or requirements for Multi-Tenant Houses (rooming house), such as operating without a license or failing to post a notice board.

The City will work collaboratively with landlords and will not close a multi-tenant house unless a serious fire or life safety risk is identified.



Looking for ghosts, ghouls, goblins and more!

There will be games, crafts, costume prizes, tricks & treats plus more for all ages. The event is taking place rain or shine.

Costume Contests

0 to 4 years old 11:30 a.m. 4 to 8 years old 12:00 p.m. 8 to 12 years old 12:30 p.m.

Presenting the event for the 7th year in a row is Julia Lakats, Realtor for RE/MAX All Stars Realty Inc., Brokerage

and

Deputy Mayor Paul Ainslie, City of Toronto Councillor, Ward 24, Scarborough-Guildwood.

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Running Routes

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Where it comes to exercise, running is one of the lowest cost, highest reward activities you can do. It is clearly great for physical & mental health, but like any routine it's a challenge to keep it

new and exciting. Any committed runner will have to find different routes to keep it from getting boring.

The Guildwood village and surrounding area is blessed with many waterfronts and creeks that have adjacent pathways to offer plenty of variety for runners, but some of them are hard to find. I have lived and run in the Guildwood area for 25 years and discovered many of these hidden treasures. In a series of articles, it would be my pleasure to share them with the Guildwood community. The first up is the Cedarbrook run.

Trailhead/Parking: Cedarbrook Community Center

Distance: ~10K

Predominant Surface: Paved Pathway

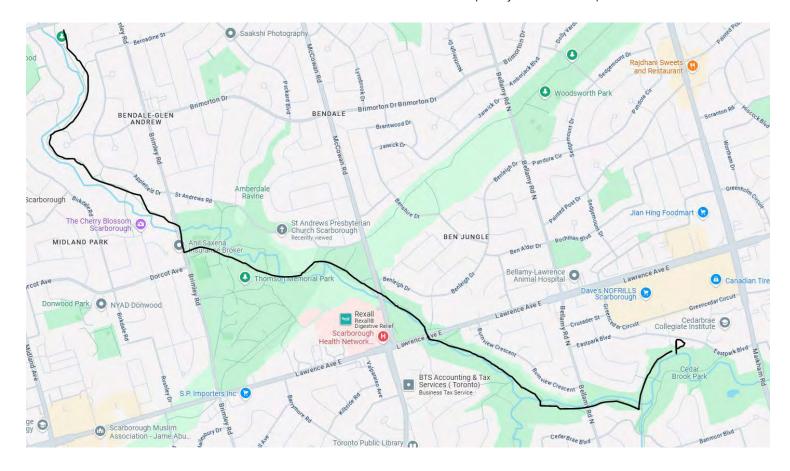
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Highland Creek

Whether you are a competitive runner or recreational runner there are times in your running routine where an easy to follow, flat running route with low traffic is an ideal add to your repertoire. Or, if you are a social runner looking for a route that you can run side-by-side with companions, a quiet trail system is ideal. I discovered the Cedarbrook route by accident when dropping off my daughter to teach dance at the Cedarbrook community center. One day I decided to explore the area while she taught class. The Cedarbrook run has been part of my routine ever since! Here is the description for those who want to try it:

Staging: The Cedarbrook community center is located at the SW corner of Markham Road & Lawrence. There is plenty of parking available at no cost and you can access the pathway right from the parking lot.

Running Route: This is a 10K out and back route that roughly follows the West Highland creek. The trajectory is NW on the way out with the creek on your left and housing to your right and reverse on the way back. The turnaround is near the Birkdale community center just off Ellesmere Road. This is a populated area so there are many offramps from the main trial that lead to side streets. Just stick to the main trail. If you do take a wrong turn, don't worry you will know quickly as most dump onto a side street within



100 meters. It is worth studying the map below or carrying a phone to keep you oriented. Fun fact: most of the main street crossings are grade separated meaning the path runs underneath, so traffic is minimal. There is one road crossing at Brimley so make sure you cross at the lights as Brimley is a very busy street.

Thompson Memorial Park: One of the unique features of this route is that you run right through Thompson Park. Depending on the time of year, the park will be buzzing with BBQs, kids playing and music. It just adds a fun vibe to your run and there are many meandering paths to wander through the park as you pass through. Water fountains and washroom facilities are there as well. As you work your way through the park make your way to the one road crossing on Brimley, the trail continues NW just a few metres north on Brimley.

Additional Loops: For runners looking to add a few kilometres, there is a beautiful loop that runs up the Amberdale ravine near St. Andrews Road where you can also pass the historic St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, built in 1849. It is the oldest Presbyterian Church in the City of Toronto, and the oldest congregation in the former City of Scarborough. The meandering road is a little piece of history right in the heart of the city. There are many other loops to explore as well once you learn the basic route. But the Amberdale ravine is the best addition. Only a 10-minute drive from Guildwood, the Cedarbrook

run is an easy cruise for runners looking to mix it up, avoid car traffic and enjoy some summer buzz in Thompson Park. Add the convenience of washrooms on route and this one is hard to beat! The loop is best enjoyed May-September. Happy trails.

Next Up: Morningside Park Loop We welcome your feedback on this article, the route and other areas you would like to hear about at seanaquartermain@gmail.com

Nature Talks at Guild Park

Native Plant Seed Saving

Saturday August 23rd, 10 am to noon. Presented by Sandra Bill of Toronto Nature Stewards.

Bird and Butterfly Migration including a release of monarchs.

Saturday September 13th, 10 am to noon. Presented by Ann Brokelman, local wildlife expert and rescuer.

All talks take place at the Sculptor's Cabin at Guild Park and are hosted by Friends of Guild Park and the Guildwood Butterflyway Project. Seating is limited so if you have a folding chair please bring it with you! https://www.friendsofguildpark.com/event-list



Meet the GVCA Communications Team!

Ashley Tilley, Communications Coordinator



In her role on the team, Ashley manages all communications between the GVCA and the neighbourhood; namely creating and sharing social media posts on our Instagram and Facebook channels, updating and managing the website at www.guildwood.ca, contributing to the News & Views and monthly

e-newsletter, promoting events like Guildwood Day and the annual garage sale, and strategizing on ways to improve overall communication efforts. Her background is in marketing, communications & Public Relations so this role was a natural fit. She spent over ten years working in various organizations in Canada and the UK before starting her own consulting and freelancing business in 2019.

Ashley feels the best part of working with the communications team is meeting fellow neighbours and strategizing on how to improve things.

"I really love this neighbourhood and how community-focused it is, and I wanted to get involved to ensure Guildwood continues to stay amazing. The communications role is a natural fit for my skillset and I was looking for ways to give back."

Ashley has lived in Guildwood since 2020 and her dad grew up here. She actually lives in her grandmother's house which was purchased after she passed away, so this house has been in her family since 1966! And now her two children (aged 2 and 3.5) are also discovering the beauty of this community.

Jyoti Janardan, Editor of e-newsletter



Jyoti has been the GVCA eNewsletter editor for the past two years; working closely with the the News and Views and website teams. Since retiring in 2022, Jyoti felt that the time had come to give back to this wonderful community. "When I saw a post in the GVCA eNewsletter looking for an editor, I thought it would suit me

perfectly, since I have experience with using various IT software." She is fortunate to still have the occasional help from the previous editor, Michelle Waitzman, whenever she's on vacation. Jyoti feels that the best part of this job is feeling engaged and connected with the community, discussing ideas and sharing common goals with the Communications team.

As a new immigrant 38 years ago, Jyoti fell in love with

Guildwood – especially the trees! Since that time, she always wanted to live here. This wish came true 15 years ago when she moved to Guildwood with her husband, Kam Leung. Living on Regency Square, they feel blessed to have neighbours who have become good friends!

Jyoti started her career as a piano teacher at the age of 16, until the time came when she felt she needed to do more. So alongside teaching, she started working in Toronto Public Library's Cedarbrae branch; eventually making her way into the IT department of the library. This was a wonderful change in her life, both for her career, becoming an IT lead/business analyst in the Applications department, and for her personal life, as this was the place where she met Kam!

Jyoti's first love is music. Her background in Western classical music slowly evolved into Jazz vocals and piano, taking lessons with Toronto's Mark Eisenman.

"As a singer, I do a gig once in a while, and participate in the monthly jazz jams at the Only Cafe on the Danforth. Another hobby that I started to develop since my retirement is painting and I love to experiment with different techniques on mixed media. I was fortunate to be able to participate in the Guild Arts Alive show in 2024."

Kam and Jyoti also love their daily walks in the neighbourhood, and cherish moments when they stop to chat with people or dogs, or when they see a fox, or a deer, or a coyote!

Michelle Waitzman, Former Editor and current "Backup Editor" of GVCA e-news



For several years, Michelle was in charge of the GVCA e-news and saw the recipient list grow from around 200 subscribers to now being over 1,000! She's thrilled to see how many people in Guildwood read it to learn what's happening around our beautiful neighbourhood each month.

"Being part of the communications group means that I always know what's happening in and around Guildwood. I've also had the opportunity to get to know some of the wonderful people who volunteer for the GVCA board and other committees."

Michelle has lived in Guildwood with her husband and two dogs for 12 years. She works from her home office as a plain language consultant, writer, editor, and author. What that means, basically, is she takes complicated information and makes it make sense to people! Michelle is also a passionate advocate for dog rescue. She adopted both of her dogs from a rescue organization, and encourages anyone adding a dog to their home to check out the shelters and rescues for your next best friend.

"I feel lucky to live in an area with a real sense of community. People greet each other on the street, work together to make this a great place to live, and stand up for Guildwood's safety, natural beauty, resources, and character. Volunteering on the communications team is how I do my part."



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An Abundance of Animals at our Doorstep

Ann and Erik Brokelman



Over the past 45 years living in the Guildwood area, I've had so much fun watching wildlife: hawks, deer, foxes, songbirds, and so many more. It's such a joy to see how much nature is right in our own backyard. I'd like to tell you about some of

the coolest things I've seen in Guildwood – starting with little brown bats. I'll never forget the evening I saw them climbing around on the old maple tree in my backyard. It took my brain a while to figure out what on earth I was looking at, as it seemed like the tree had moving lumps of bark on it. It was just before dusk, and it wasn't until they started stretching their wings to take off that what I was looking at began to make sense. What a sight! Moments like that remind me how lucky we are to live so close to nature.

I know bats aren't everyone's favourite animal, but, if nothing else, I hope most people have come to recognize how important they are to controlling the mosquito and insect populations. Little brown bats have glossy brown fur and weigh just seven to nine grams, which is only a little more than a loonie! They grow to around 4 to 5 cm in length, with a wingspan of 25 to 27 cm. At night, when you see them darting through the air, they are out hunting insects and can catch hundreds of bugs an hour. In the late summer they need to catch almost 1,000 insects/hour in order to get ready for hibernation.

Even though they're small, little brown bats can live surprisingly long lives: up to 34 years! During the day, they roost in trees or old buildings and generally don't bother people who don't bother them. Their young are independent in only three weeks, and the females give birth to just one baby per year. You might assume that they would have larger litters, like squirrels or mice, but did you know that their closest genetic relatives are whales, cows, and mountain lions? Bats are not even remotely related to rodents: https://www.britannica.com/story/are-bats-rodents



The Cooper's Hawk Who Couldn't Catch a Break, or a Squirrel

Try to imagine me driving down Bethune Blvd. on the western side of Guildwood, when I spotted a juvenile Cooper's hawk sprinting awkwardly across someone's yard. Not soaring through the skies like you'd expect but rather running across the grass on its talons. The young hawk would flap up onto bushes or some rocks, 'perch' and survey his territory, and then drop back down to the lawn to chase after some squirrels it had absolutely no hope of catching.

For about fifteen minutes, I sat and watched as it tried to catch them again and again. The squirrels, of course, were far too quick. Some ran right past the hawk, chattering loudly as if they were mocking him. Every time he moved, they'd scream at him from the trees. It was like they knew he was too young or too inexperienced to be a real threat. I started to feel a little sorry for the poor guy. He was clearly trying so hard, but nothing was working. I felt pretty confident that he wasn't injured and was just having a moment where he forgot that he'd been given the gift of flight. When he eventually flew away, I'm sure he was shaking his head at himself, and thinking about getting his revenge on his rodent bullies.



Cedar Waxwings in the Blossoms

While walking through Guild Park the other day, I noticed a bird in one of the flowering trees, bouncing from blossom to blossom. Then I saw another, and another, and soon there were five of them flitting from branch to branch. When one of them turned its head just right, I caught a glimpse of the unmistakably black, elegant mask of the Cedar Waxwing.

It was so peaceful to watch them moving through the branches, carefully choosing petals as they went. Did you know that, while they typically eat fruits and berries, they will also eat flowers? I stood there for at least fifteen minutes just watching. Then, when I got home, I couldn't believe my luck: another group of them appeared, this time in my own juniper bush, happily devouring berries. They really are one of the prettiest birds around the GTA to watch, and their soft, high-pitched calls are just as lovely to listen to.





Snake Slithering on Sylvan

Now picture this: you're doing a bit of yard work out front, thinking mostly about weeding and watering, when suddenly you notice something that you really didn't expect to be there, stretched across your lawn. That's exactly what happened to Heather and Garry, when they came across a three-foot-long Eastern Milk Snake sunbathing in their yard.

Lucky for me, since it meant I got to see the snake, they gave me a call to come take a look and help them decide



what to do next. Just to be safe, and since I didn't know what kind of snake it was yet, I contacted Andrew and Sarrah from the Toronto Wildlife Centre to make sure it wasn't some kind of escaped pet. The last thing we need is a boa constrictor or python upsetting the local ecosystem.

Once we confirmed it was wild, healthy, and completely natural to be there, Garry, Heather, and I took it to a local wood lot and released it safely back into the woods. It was a little feisty during the capture, clearly wanting nothing to do with us. My husband said he understands where it was coming from! Part of me wanted to just leave it alone, but I was worried about it going onto the road or getting hassled by someone's dog.

Screech Owls and Backyard Magic

One of the best gifts I ever received was from my husband Erle: a nesting box for Eastern Screech Owls. It's given me years of memories from my own backyard. The box is visible from my office window, and over the years I've seen gray, brown, and even red-phase screech owls using the box. Just this year, we had a regular visitor I named Stu. He showed up almost every night until nesting season began. I had really been hoping he was going to bring me another clutch of owlets, but it wasn't to be this time. Maybe he'll try again next year.

They aren't just in my yard, of course. If you walk through the Guild Inn area, you might be lucky enough to spot one. Lately, I've even been hearing their calls at night. If you open your window and hear a soft whinny or trill, you might have one nearby. Keep listening, because you never know what's out there in the trees.

I really think that we live in the best wildlife location in all of Toronto. To have deer, foxes, coyotes, hawks, owls, bats, butterflies, moths, and so much more right in our backyards is truly remarkable. All you have to do is slow down, look up, listen, and take the time to enjoy them. Fall migration is just around the corner, and there's no telling what might show up next. If you see me out, walking in the Guild, please feel free to say hello and share the stories of what you've seen. Bye for now!



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Guildwood's Got Talent



Kelly Hadden's Miniature Art is Big In The Guild

Eileen Kirk

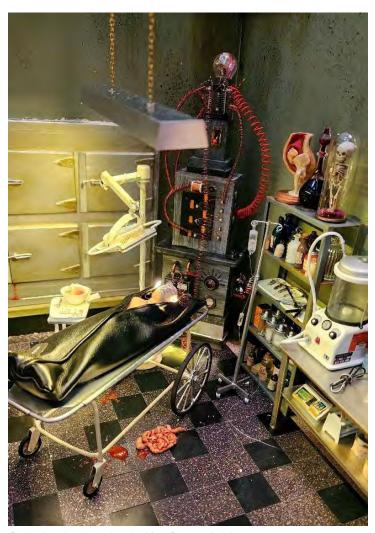


Kelly Hadden, a celebrated artist in the world of Canadian miniatures, has filled her Guildwood home with creations that bring to life scenes from worlds gone by or far away, all in tiny perfection.

Why Guildwood? As a child growing up

north of Pickering, Kelly and her family used to visit the Guild Inn for 'fancy' dinners and she remembers running through the maze and hiding from her brothers in the old playhouse. When she and her husband were looking to relocate from Vancouver 14 years ago, Guildwood brought back a flood of welcoming memories.

Kelly's miniature obsession started with a perfect Christmas gift; a dollhouse built by her engineer father which was a replica of her childhood home. Since then, she has constructed dozens and dozens of structures, from tiny dollhouses scaled to fit within a dollhouse to 1:12 scale Victorian mansions.



Grisly details abound in the Mad Scientist's laboratory.

Kelly pouring tea in her mini Victorian kitchen

But today, Kelly is best known for her hyper-realistic vignettes. Her wicked sense of humour and interest in the non-traditional drives her choice of subjects such as a mad scientist's laboratory, a Russian Oligarch's library hiding a hand-painted replica of the Vermeer's stolen



Kelly made this replica Faberge egg for the Oligarch's library. It stands less than 1" tall. The photo has a paperclip to indicate the size.



The fine paintbrush provides scale for this miniature oil painting.

masterpiece 'The Concert', an award-winning mini Irish Pub called "The Selkie's Sigh', a garbage-strewn back alley with access to a jazz club for mice. "Every piece has its own story", Kelly explains. "That's the starting point."

Her attention to detail is staggering.
"I've always been fascinated with what makes a scene feel real. From the pigeons on the roof to the texture of the fabrics, to a ghost light in an empty theatre - these touches can make a space feel alive," Hadden said during an interview in her studio.

She enjoys researching and perfecting the details. "Envisioning the final piece from a viewer's perspective determines critical aspects of lighting and placement. Then I consider the objects that will live in the space." Some of these objects are

made by Kelly's own hand, such as Old Master replica oils painted with a brush made of a single hair. Many other



Kelly's Irish pub, the Selkie's Sigh, made the cover of the National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts.

artisan pieces were collected over decades from all around the globe. "Hunting for the perfect piece is way too much fun!" she says with a laugh.

The internet facilitates the search, but Kelly also travels to miniature

shows across North America. One coming in the fall is organized by members of the Miniature Enthusiasts of Toronto, a club that Kelly is actively involved in. The show is on October 18th at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre where over 50 vendors will feature marvelous

miniatures for sale as well as exhibits of artisan pieces.

Kelly plans to unveil two new pieces at the show and, as in the past, we expect to see a delighted crowd gathered around her work, oohing and awing, and pointing out incredible details. "The more smiles the better," Hadden humbly says. For more information on the show go to metminis.ca.

'The Cat's Away' is a 1 foot tall alley that conceals a hip jazz club for the local mice.



Kelly's favourite piece is the 1:12 scale Artist's Studio, which she built with her father.



Kelly makes furniture too, including this Welsh dresser with working drawers and cabinets.

Kelly can be reached at kellyhadden1@gmail.com and some of her work can be found at kellyhadden1 on Pinterest.



Preserving the Architectural Character in Guildwood

Don Briggs and Andy Manahan





On Wednesday June 11, a Community Consultation Meeting was held in the Clark Centre, hosted by City Planning. There were several members of the Planning staff and Paul Ainslie and his

staff in attendance. The purpose of the meeting was to obtain input from Guildwood residents in order to assist City Planning in the development of design guidelines that would preserve the architectural character of our neighbourhood. There was a large turnout, providing the Planners with a great deal of feedback which they will use in the development of design guidelines for Guildwood.

The motion to proceed with such an undertaking was put forth by Councillor Paul Ainslie, and was adopted as follows:

MM24.13 - Preservation of Architectural Character in Guildwood Community - by Councillor Paul Ainslie, seconded by Councillor Nick Mantas

City Council Decision: City Council on December 17 and 18, 2024, adopted the following:

- To undertake a thorough review of existing development guidelines and zoning regulations within the Guildwood Community.
- 2. To develop specific design guidelines that clearly articulate the desired architectural character and principles of the community; these guidelines should:

 a. emphasize the preservation and enhancement of the existing architectural styles and

materials:

- b. consider the scale, massing, and setbacks of new developments to ensure compatibility with the surrounding built environment;
- c. incorporate measures to protect views and sightlines within the community;
- d. amend existing zoning by-laws and development agreements as necessary to ensure compliance with the newly developed design guidelines; and
- e. implement a robust review process for all new development proposals within Guildwood, ensuring that they are rigorously assessed for compliance with the established design guidelines.

3. To engage with the Guildwood community through public consultations to gather input and feedback on the development of these design guidelines.

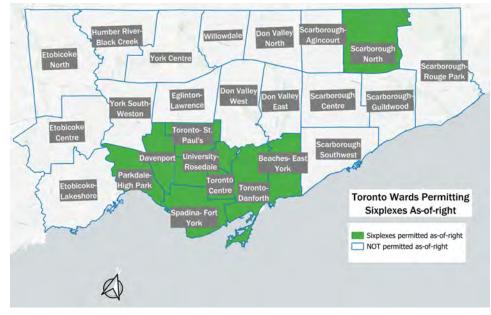
The Planners will work on their analysis of our feedback throughout the summer, and return to Guildwood for another Community Consultation meeting in the fall.

If you were unable to attend the June 11 meeting and express your views, or did attend but have since come up with additional thoughts you would like to be considered, there is a form available on the GVCA website that you can copy and send to the Planners. Go to www.guildwood.ca/post/preservation and click on the "fill out this form" link.

Other Multi-plex Housing-related News:

"Toronto city council, after a hotly contested debate on Wednesday, has decided to water down a proposal to legalize six-plex housing citywide — legalizing them instead in the old metropolitan Toronto and East York, plus one ward in Scarborough, while leaving an open door for other areas to later opt-in." *Toronto Star - June 25, 2025*

Although this is a positive outcome for communities such as Guildwood, which wants to maintain a distinct identity, there are still other concerns, in particular that four-plexes are being allowed "as-of-right", and that unregulated rooming houses continue to operate in our midst. We must be diligent in our questioning of developments that appear to be egregious in nature.



What's on @ Guildwood Library



Matthew Parish, Guildwood Library, 416-396-8872

Monday CLOSED

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Tuesday} & 12:30 \text{ pm} - 8:30 \text{ pm} \\ \text{Wednesday} & 10:00 \text{ am} - 6:00 \text{ pm} \\ \text{Thursday} & 12:30 \text{ pm} - 8:30 \text{ pm} \\ \text{Friday} & 10:00 \text{ am} - 6:00 \text{ pm} \\ \text{Saturday} & 9:00 \text{ am} - 5:00 \text{ pm} \end{array}$

Sunday CLOSED

Programs

TD Summer Reading Club

Come join the TD Summer Reading Club!! Members get a passport and stickers to keep track of their reading progress.

Summer Wonder

We will be having a weekly program every Tuesday at 2:00 pm from July 8th to August 19th, 2025. Please contact the branch for more information.

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- · Search for a job
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- Start or build a business
- Find government sites and forms
- Get citizenship and settlement information

More program information is available on our website www.tpl.ca



Recommended Books from Guildwood Staff

Matthew recommends:

Micky 7 by Edward Ashton

Lisa recommends:

None of this is True by Lisa Jewell

Gia recommends:

The Crash by Freida Mcfadden

Regina recommends:

Counterattacks at Thirty by Won-Pyung Sohn

Sam recommends:

Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones by James Clear

Sapna recommends:

The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho

Jennifer recommends:

Famous Last Words: A Novel by Gillian Mcallister

Raushan recommends:

The Paris Express: A Novel by Emma Donoghue



No Bad Book Clubs

Lana Durst



A good book transports you through its setting, characters, and theme. It can provide an escape and open your mind. A good book club gets you reading and engaging with others. Book clubs range from formal to informal. I have been a member of both and can confirm: there is no bad book club.

I first joined a book club in my late twenties - referred by a friend of a colleague. The club was well established and had rules to keep it organized and effective. For example:

- 1. The maximum number of members was twelve and there was always a waiting list of people interested in joining.
- If a member missed more than an established number of meetings or consistently failed to read the books they were asked to consider stepping out of the club to allow a new member to join.
- 3. Meetings took place on the last Thursday of each month and were held at a restaurant.
- 4. A formal and democratic process was used to select twelve books at the beginning of the year so that members knew what books were coming up if they wished to read ahead or reserve popular books at the library well in advance. The person who recommended the book was in charge of making a restaurant reservation and was responsible for keeping the discussion on track. This involved bringing a few thoughtful questions or topics related to the book and making sure everyone had an opportunity to share their reading experience.

I did not know any of the members when I joined and we were a diverse group: single, married with children, working in corporate finance, running nonprofits, public servants, new to Canada, fifth generation Canadian...the only thing we had in common apart from being women working in Toronto was that we all loved to read.

The books were diverse and interesting and while we sometimes discussed the literary form or facts about the author or writing style, our conversations revolved mainly around the characters and themes. It was in those open conversations where we learned how different our perspectives could be given our different backgrounds and experiences and also how similar we felt about some basic values and ideals. I grew to love these women and always looked forward to our monthly gatherings. I couldn't wait to hear what they thought about the books I loved or didn't love. I never walked away from a meeting feeling the same way about a book as when I arrived. The stories we read were richer for having discussed them and interestingly, stayed with me longer. As someone who

can be completely obsessed with a book while reading it and forget it the moment I finish it, I found myself often revisiting our conversations and able to remember details of the stories I would not have normally.

As my life changed and I had less time to read and found myself less able to commit to the last Thursday of every month, I stepped down to allow someone else to join the club but the experience has stayed with me.

While it had been years since I was a part of a book club, I never stopped reading so, when invited by a friend in the neighbourhood to join a new book club I accepted. Once again I find myself in a group of women, this time we are all the same age and this time connected through our children who were all raised in Guildwood. We are a more informal group - meeting about once a month but picking the book and the meeting date/time are done on the fly. We meet in our living rooms, rotating months and whoever hosts selects the book for that month and puts out some light refreshments. Many have been out of the habit of reading so we don't always have the book read on time and our discussions take a while getting around to the topic of the book and then often meander off topic! Despite knowing this group of women for nearly twenty years, I am still amazed at what we learn about and from each other. If we don't always talk about the book, it is the book that gets us started. Even a seemingly less diverse group of women all have unique lived experiences and looking at stories from these different perspectives continues to open my mind.

I know of several active book clubs in Guildwood, including a drop in Silent Book Club resuming this fall at our own branch of the Toronto Public Library where participants read silently for 30 or 40 minutes and then discuss what they have read. If you are interested in forming your own book club, here are ten tips that may help get it started and to keep it going:

- Set a maximum number of members so that everyone is able to participate in the conversation and fit comfortably in your meeting place.
- 2. Select the books well in advance so that members can read ahead or reserve popular books at the library that may have long wait lists.
- 3. Read the book before your meeting your point of view is what makes the book club interesting.
- 4. Come to the meeting excited to hear about what others have thought about the book and bring a couple of observations or questions that you think might lead to good conversation or debate.
- 5. Select books outside of your normal genre and throw in a non-fiction now and then.
- 6. Try to balance out the types of books throughout the year (e.g. maybe don't read two non-fictions or two

- really long books in a row).
- 7. Learn about books through book reviews in newspapers, magazines, or social media.
- 8. Find book clubs to join through Toronto Public Library or start your own.
- 9. Establish some rules for your book club to ensure you all have the same expectations.
- 10. If you haven't read in a while, start with some easy reads that are heavy on plot but maybe not so heavy on theme.

Remember that it is not always about the book. Like the act of reading itself, book clubs are good for your physical, emotional, and spiritual health. Here are a couple of articles to inspire you to join a book club:

36 Facts About Reading - https://facts.net/general/education/36-facts-about-reading/
10 Key Benefits of a Book Club (and Why Book Clubs Are Worth It) - https://libromaniacs.com/benefits-of-a-book-club/





Guildwood's Got Talent



But Mommy, Why?



Katrina Lavadan

Writing has always been a quiet thread in my life—woven through childhood journals, thoughtful letters, and poems. I've always loved it as a way to express creativity.

When I became a mother, I became very mindful of the books I chose for my daughter, Maddie. I wanted to read her stories that encouraged, supported, and empowered her. From before she was old enough to talk, we recited the following affirmations:

You are strong.

You are smart.

You are kind.

You are brave.

You are loved.

These affirmations are reflected in my book. One day, I realized that Maddie would soon ask me the infamous question, "But Mommy, Why?" I began reflecting on her actions that embodied these affirmations and realized I wanted to have thoughtful answers ready for her. I wanted to capture that magic and create something that would help other families connect in meaningful ways.

As someone with a background in teaching, empowering and supporting children through their growth has always been a priority for me. Children are our greatest assets—they will become the leaders of our world one day. It was important to me to create a piece of work that not only encouraged children but also helped them feel good about themselves.

"But Mommy, Why?" began as a personal passion project—something I hoped might resonate with a few parents like me. I wrote it for Maddie and published it for her. As a fellow creative being, it was important for me to show her that publishing her work was possible—that one day, she could do it too. The way we talk to our children becomes their inner voice, and I wanted to create a story filled with words I wanted not only Maddie but all children to hear.

The response to my book has been humbling. Readers have shared how the book opened up conversations in their homes and helped them feel seen. That's been the most meaningful part of this journey—knowing that something born from my own life has had a positive impact on others.

I've lived in Guildwood since I was four years old, and I feel incredibly lucky to have grown up in such a warm and vibrant community. There's something special about this

neighbourhood—from the beauty of Guild Park to the calm of the lake—that feeds both the mind and spirit. Many of the book's ideas were sparked during quiet walks around my neighbourhood.

I believe stories have the power to open hearts, spark understanding, and bring people closer. My hope is to continue writing in a way that honours the beauty in everyday moments—especially the ones shared between children and their parents. I've learned that you don't need to be a professional author to create something meaningful; you just need to listen, reflect, and be willing to share a piece of yourself.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy of But Mommy, Why?, you can message me directly on Facebook (Trina Lynn) or purchase a copy on Amazon.ca. I hope that this book will resonate with you and help create more cherished moments with your children.

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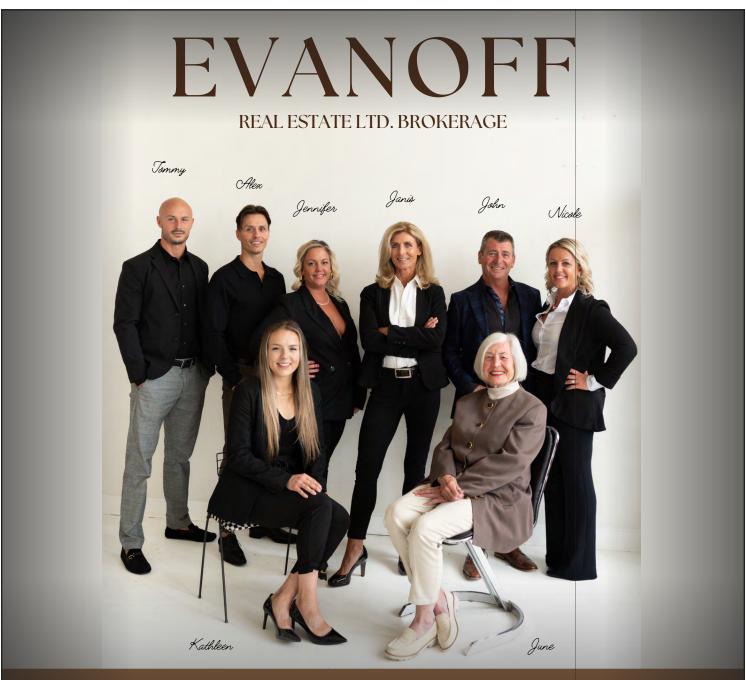
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Safe, Strong & Supported: Senior Safety in Guildwood

Josee Jauvin



Guildwood is home to a thriving community of older adults who shape the heart of our neighbourhood. According to the City of Toronto's 2021 Census Profile for Scarborough–Guildwood (Ward 24), 20.5% of local

residents are aged 65 and over—which represents more than 1 in 5 of our neighbours. That's a powerful reminder that senior safety isn't just a health concern, but a neighbourhood priority we all share.

Whether you're a senior, a caregiver, or a caring neighbour, here are some simple steps we can all take to ensure Guildwood remains a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

At Home: Staying Steady and Safe

For older adults, most injuries happen right at home. According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, falls are the leading cause of injury-related hospitalizations and deaths among Canadians aged 65 and older. In fact, 1 in 3 seniors experiences a fall each year, and the majority of these occur at home. One third of seniors are admitted to long-term care following hospitalization for a fall. These are sobering numbers. Fall prevention starts with a few simple changes: clearing walkways of loose cords, rugs, or clutter; adding nightlights along hallways and staircases; and ensuring bathrooms are equipped with grab bars and non-slip mats. Supportive footwear indoors can help with balance, especially on tile or hardwood floors.

Mindful Living: Health, Fraud Awareness, and Medication Help

Staying safe also means staying sharp. Unfortunately, scams targeting seniors are still on the rise. If someone calls, emails, or knocks at your door asking for money, personal, financial, or banking information, your best bet is not to engage and reach out to someone you trust. Never share details with people you don't know, and always talk to a trusted friend, family member, or caregiver if something feels off. There's no shame in double-checking—and it could make all the difference. You can also report anything suspicious to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre.

It's also wise to keep an up-to-date list of your medications, including over-the-counter items. Review this list regularly—if you have a family doctor, bring it along to appointments; if not, ask your local pharmacist. Many pharmacies in Scarborough offer free medication reviews that can catch potentially dangerous combinations or side effects like dizziness and drowsiness, which increase the risk of falling. And don't forget to schedule annual

hearing and vision exams—because being aware of your surroundings is a big part of staying safe.

Out and About: Enjoying the season, carefully

When Fall arrives, getting outside to enjoy the crisp air and colourful leaves is good for the body and soul—but Fall also brings earlier sunsets and slippery sidewalks. If you're heading out, choose familiar, well-lit routes and wear non-slip footwear. Add a reflective accessory or carry a flashlight if you'll be out in the evening, and it's always a good idea to let someone know your plans or walk with a friend when possible.

Seasonal Reminders That Matter

The change of season is a perfect time to check a few more things off the safety list. Store garden tools, ladders, and equipment securely—not just to prevent accidents, but to discourage theft. Test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors before heaters and fireplaces start running. And if you're planning a fall getaway, consider using light timers, pausing your mail, and asking a neighbour to keep an eye on your home.

Need Support? Call the Toronto Seniors Helpline
If you or someone you care about is facing a
challenge—whether it's loneliness, confusion about
services, or a crisis—the Toronto Seniors Helpline is just a
phone call away. This free, confidential service connects
adults aged 55+ and their caregivers to:

- Community programs and home care services
- Crisis support and mental health resources
- Assistance in accessing housing, food, safety, and more
- Supportive counselling and referrals tailored to our neighbourhood

The helpline is available 365 days a year by phone or web chat, with interpretation in over 100 languages. Compassionate staff can even connect callers to mobile crisis teams if an in-person visit is needed.

Call 416-217-2077 or visit Toronto Seniors Helpline (www.woodgreen.org/programs/toronto-seniors-helpline) for more information.

Other Resources to keep you safe:

- Toronto Police Senior Safety and Elder (www.tps.ca/crime-prevention/senior-safety-elder-abuse/)
- City of Toronto Preventing Falls in Older Adults
- Government of Canada Safe Living Guide
- Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (https://antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/)

The following Facebook groups serve Guildwood residents and offer helpful insights into local services and community information:

- Guildwood Safety: This open group connects residents to share information and updates about keeping Guildwood safe.
- Should you need a helping hand for an odd job, such as shovelling walkways in the winter to keep them clear of ice and snow, using the "search" function:

Guildwood Buy and Sell Guildwood 4.0 Guildwood Group GUILDWOOD group

Let's head into the colder seasons with care, kindness, and community spirit, because everyone benefits when Guildwood looks out for its older adults.

Editor's Note: This article was written by Josee Jauvin with the support of Microsoft Copilot, an Al writing assistant designed to help generate ideas, structure content, and provide reliable source material. Together, we aimed to bring you helpful and current information for our Guildwood community.

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RECIPE CORNER

Whisks, Wonders, and Warm Ovens: My Journey from Cook to Baker to Kitchen Cheerleader

Aimée Talbot



For as long as I can remember, my happy place has been the kitchen—elbows deep in flour, a wooden spoon in one hand, and usually a dog or two sniffing hopefully at my feet. Cooking is where it all began, but baking? Baking is where my heart truly lives.

I'm Aimée Talbot—a longtime Guildwood local, Pampered Chef consultant, and passionate baker. My husband David grew up right here in the Guild. Life took him away for a time, but returning and raising our two daughters here has made this community feel even more like home. Guildwood holds a very special place in our hearts.

Over the years, my love of baking and cooking has led me to countless meaningful connections right here in the neighbourhood. From swapping recipes at a book club to sharing kitchen tips at workshops, I've seen how food brings people together—one muffin, one meal, one laugh at a time. My Pampered Chef business has allowed me to combine my passion for sharing the simple magic of home cooking. I love helping people feel confident in the kitchen whether it's using time-saving tools, offering quick tips, or showing that creating a delicious meal doesn't have to be complicated.

What brings me the most joy is helping others rediscover happiness in their kitchens. Whether it's demonstrating how to chop an onion without tears or bake muffins that disappear before they've even cooled, I'm here to make things a little easier—and a lot more fun. I believe baking should feel like a warm hug, and every kitchen deserves to be filled with joy (and maybe a little butter, too).

Today, I'm excited to share one of my family's favourite recipes. These muffins are low-fat, gluten-free, and naturally sweetened—and they've been a staple in our home since my daughters were small. They freeze beautifully, travel well, and best of all? They taste absolutely incredible.

AIMÉE'S BANANA OAT BREAKFAST MUFFINS

(Gluten-free, low sugar, vegan-friendly & freezer-approved)

INGREDIENTS

3 large ripe bananas, mashed

2 eggs (room temperature)

1/4 cup maple syrup or honey

½ cup unsweetened applesauce

1 tsp vanilla extract

1½ cups gluten-free rolled oats

1 cup oat flour (or almond flour)

1 tsp baking powder

½ tsp baking soda

½ tsp cinnamon

1/4 tsp salt

Optional: ¼ cup dark chocolate chips or chopped nuts

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C). Line or grease a 12-cup muffin tin.
- 2. In a bowl, whisk together the bananas, eggs, syrup, applesauce, and vanilla.
- 3. In another bowl, stir together oats, flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt.
- 4. Combine wet and dry ingredients, folding in chocolate chips or nuts if using.
- 5. Divide batter evenly into muffin cups.
- 6. Bake for 18–22 minutes, or until golden and a toothpick comes out clean.
- 7. Cool on a wire rack. Freeze extras—if there are any!

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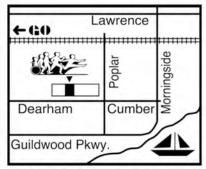
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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Morning Service at 11:00 a.m.

Monthly Prayer and Communion Service Held the last Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., except July and August.

PRE-SCHOOL DROP IN FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS EVERY MONDAY FROM 9:30 AM TO 11:00 AM BEGINNING SEPT. 8, 2025 (FOLLOWS THE SCHOOL CALENDAR)

The journey of parenthood is filled with many blessings, but it also comes with its fair share of challenges. Feelings of isolation, loneliness, uncertainty, and fatigue can often be overwhelming.

We believe that one of the best ways to share our joys and find strength is simply by being with others who are navigating similar stages of parenting and by developing friendships and community. Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church aims to provide a safe and welcoming space for this purpose.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact the office at office@guildwoodchurch.ca or phone 416-261-4037.

This is a weekly casual drop in opportunity for preschool children and their caregivers. Come when you can and stay for as long as you like.

INFORMATION

Where:

Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church 140 Guildwood Pkwy.

When:

Every Monday Morning from 9:30 am to 11 am (excluding holidays). Follows the school calendar (Sept. -Jun.)

What goes on:

Free play time for toddlers and preschoolers and coffee and conversation for the adults.

Cost

Free

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OUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Caregiver Support Group

Our Caregiver Support group meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month in the church lounge at 10:00 a.m. (Excluding July-August)

New Grief Support Group

Our Grief Support Group meeting is every 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the lounge. A grief group is not a counseling/therapy group but a peer support group. We will create a safe space to share, listen, pray, and reflect on our life journey. If you have questions, please email minister@guildwoodchurch.ca. (Excluding July-August)

Art Café

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month excluding Jan, Feb, Easter Week, July & August. A community event for anyone who wishes to paint (water or color pencil). This is not a formal art class taught by an instructor, but rather people wishing to enjoy creative expression together.



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Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church

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FALL EVENTS

Annual Book Sale

Saturday, September 27, 2025 9:00 -11:30 a.m.

- Used paperbacks, hard covers, fiction, non-fiction, children's, cooking, crafts, gardening, travel and so much more. Some CDs, DVDs, tapes etc.
- · NO TEXTBOOKS PLEASE!
- Stock up on lots of reading materials at low, low prices!
- If possible, please bring your own shopping bags.

Fall Rummage Sale

Saturday, October 25, 2025 9:00 -11:30 a.m.

- Bargains and treasures galore!! Clothing, shoes, coats, purses etc. Linens, bedding and assorted housewares and much more!
- We welcome all donations with the exception of the following:

furniture

baby car seats, high chairs, cribs etc.

Christmas Bazaar

Save this date! Saturday, November 22, 2025 11:00 - 2:00 p.m.

An Update from Vijay Thanigasalam, MPP Scarborough-Rouge Park



Dear residents of Guildwood,

I hope you and your family are enjoying the warm weather and everything that's happening in our community. It's been a busy few months, but I'm proud of the work we've been doing and wanted to share some major updates with you.

Expanding Access to Diagnostic Care in Scarborough Scarborough families deserve access to timely, worldclass health care and we're delivering just that. I'm thrilled to share that our government has completed the new Northpine Diagnostic Imaging Department at Scarborough General Hospital.

This state-of-the-art, 36,000-square-foot facility was made possible through a provincial investment of \$36.6 million. It will double the imaging space, reduce wait times, and bring critical services like MRIs, mammograms, CT scans, ultrasounds, and more under one roof including Scarborough's first-ever 3-Tesla MRI machine. This is a big win for local families, health care workers, and our growing community.

Improving Access to a Family Doctor

Our government firmly believes that every Ontarian deserves access to a family doctor or primary care team and we're taking action to make that a reality. That's why we've introduced the Primary Care Act, a first-of-its-kind, nation-leading legislation that if passed will connect every person in Ontario to primary care by 2029.

Supported by a historic investment of more than \$1.8 billion, the Ontario government is delivering on its promise to connect every person in the province to a family doctor and primary care team. And investing another \$300 million in new teaching clinics in partnership with Ontario's world-class medical schools.

I'm especially proud of the Scarborough Academy of Medicine and Integrated Health (SAMIH), this will be the first medical school built in Toronto since 1843, and it is an integral part of the province's historic expansion of medical education. It's a game-changer for young people in our community who now have a pathway to pursue rewarding careers in health care. Construction is well underway, and it's inspiring to see the progress being made as SAMIH moves closer to opening its doors!



We are committed to building a stronger, more connected health care system in Scarborough.

Protecting our Community

At my Community Safety Town Hall last year, Scarborough families voiced their concerns about rising auto theft and the early release of repeat violent offenders.

We've heard you, and we're taking strong action to address these issues:

To combat auto theft, we are:

- Giving police tools to seize devices used in vehicle thefts, like fob reprogrammers and scanners.
- Permanently establishing a Major Auto Theft Prosecution Response Team focused on hotspots including Toronto and Durham Region.
- Taking steps to disrupt keyless entry thefts before they happen.

On repeat violent offenders, our government is strengthening Ontario's bail system by:

- Launching Intensive Serious Violent Crime Bail Teams to strengthen cases at bail hearings.
- Improving enforcement by making it easier to collect forfeited bail.
- Exploring GPS ankle monitoring with a new user fee model to support victim services.

These actions aim to protect your family, your vehicle, and keep our communities safe. We're listening and we're acting.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our office at 8130 Sheppard Ave. East Unit 105, by email at vijay.thanigasalam@pc.ola.org, or give us a call at 416-283-8448.

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Dear Guildwood Village Neighbours,

Thank you everyone for attending Guild Alive With Culture Art Festival, it was nice to see you again and talk about our community. I look forward seeing you all there again next year.

As many of you know, I was appointed Deputy Mayor for Scarborough by Mayor Olivia Chow, and I am immensely honored by this role.

For the past 19 years, it has been my distinct privilege to represent you. Your trust and support have always been my driving force.

This new role gives me an even greater opportunity to advocate for our community and address Scarborough's unique needs. I'm eager to bring a broad perspective and strong commitment to our city's leadership.

I look forward to working closely with all of you to address your needs and concerns. Together, we can continue to build a vibrant and inclusive community for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support as I embark on this new chapter.

All my Best, Paul

If you have any community questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me and my Constituency Office. We are dedicated to providing assistance and support in these matters.

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like to subscribe to my community updates, monthly eNewsletters, submit feedback on City services, and volunteer in my office.

Community Updates

The installation of **Traffic Lights at Guildwood Parkway** and **Rowatson Road** is tentatively scheduled for Fall 2025.

The construction of **Galloway Road Sidewalk and Future Cycling Connections Project** is tentatively anticipated to begin late summer/ early fall 2025
Project lead: Katherine Wilson
416-392-0828 Katherine.Wilson@toronto.ca

The construction of **Elizabeth Simcoe Park Skate Spot** in Elizabeth Simcoe Park is anticipated to begin Spring 2026. Project Coordinator: Max Grandmaison 416-338-2359 Max.Grandmaison@toronto.ca

Toronto Hydro Project Wooster Wood-Dearham Wood Project area: Lausanne Crescent to the north, Forsythia Drive to the east, Guildwood Parkway to the south and Galloway Road to the west. #P-190278-ED161002/E20068 January 2025 to December 2025.

Toronto Hydro Project Scarcliff - Tivoli

A section of Scarcliff Gardens and Guildwood Parkway April 2025 – September 2025 #P-250017-ED161003

For any questions/concerns: Toronto Hydro 416-542-3366 capitolprojects@torontohydro.com

Guildwood Village Design Guidelines

The City of Toronto's Urban Design team and Community Planning staff are continuing their work to present a report on the architectural character of the Guildwood community. The process that began with my request at City Council in December 2024, directing staff to begin a Neighbourhood Character Analysis, and develop specific design guidelines.

Thank you everyone who attended the community consultation in June. Refined draft document is anticipated to be complete in Fall 2025 and presented at the second community meeting.



An Update from Gary Anandasangaree, MP Scarborough-Guildwood-Rouge Park



Dear Guildwood.

I hope you are all enjoying a wonderful and relaxing summer season.

Since the spring, our government has been working with urgency and

determination to deliver on the strong mandate Canadians have entrusted us. To start, we have removed GST on new housing builds to help first-time buyers, expanded the Canadian Dental Care Plan to all ages, and delivered a middle-class tax cut for nearly 22 million Canadians—helping two-income families save up to \$840 a year.

Building One Canadian Economy:

Canadians have the power to build for ourselves more than any foreign government can take away— and that begins by building one Canadian economy out of thirteen.

In the House of Commons, our government also passed the *One Canadian Economy Act*. This legislation will remove longstanding internal trade barriers that have fragmented our economy for decades, allowing us to build one strong Canadian economy out of thirteen. It also introduces a new "one project, one review" approach to accelerate major nation-building projects that are essential to our prosperity, resilience, and values.

Keeping Our Streets Safe:

Canadians expect governments to prevent crime, give law enforcement the tools to stop it, and hold those who break the law to account.

According to the Toronto Police Service, nearly 90% of the guns used in shootings on our streets originate from across the U.S. border. That's why, alongside the *Strong Borders Act*, we are taking decisive action to detect and stop illegal guns and drugs at the border—deploying scanners, drones, helicopters, and K9 teams, enforcing tougher penalties, and hiring 1,000 new RCMP officers and 1,000 new CBSA officers.

We will soon build on this by introducing bail reform to make it more difficult for repeat offenders charged with auto theft, home invasion, human trafficking, and drug smuggling to obtain bail.

This Summer. Choose Canada:

This summer, choose Canada and rediscover the beauty, culture, and history that make us the True North, strong

and free. From June 20 to September 2, the federal government is offering free or discounted admissions across the country:

- Parks Canada: Free admission for all visitors to national historic sites, national parks, and national marine conservation areas administered by Parks Canada and a 25% discount on camping fees.
- VIA Rail: Free travel for children aged 17 and under when accompanied by an adult and a 25% discount for young adults aged 18 to 24.
- National museums and the Plains of Abraham Museum: Free admission for children aged 17 and under and a 50% discount for young adults aged 18 to 24.
- Participating provincial and territorial museums and galleries: Free admission for children and a 50% discount for young adults aged 18 to 24.

The Canada Strong Pass is not a physical pass. Simply visit participating sites to enjoy free admission or discounts. If you booked a Parks Canada campsite before this, you will receive an email about a prorated refund.

Delivering More Canada Summer Jobs:

The Government of Canada is creating thousands of additional Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) to help youth gain skills, explore new fields, earn money, and contribute to businesses and organizations in our community. This year, 322 positions were created right here in Scarborough—Guildwood—Rouge Park as part of 76,000 positions offered across the country. I want to thank all participating employers and our incredible young people for another successful CSJ rollout!









Clockwise from top left: Reconnecting with neighbours across our community; Prime Minister Mark Carney speaking to media after the swearing-in of Cabinet; Joining the Guildwood Day parade on the Parkway; on the ground with the RCMP Emergency Response Team near the Canada-U.S. border in Cornwall.



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An Update From Andrea Hazell MPP Scarborough-Guildwood

Dear Guildwood Neighbours!

I hope you're making the most of the summer season and enjoying some well-deserved sunshine. It's been an eventful few months both here in the riding and at Queen's Park, and I'm looking forward to updating you on the work we've been doing and the progress we've made. As we approach the end of summer, many families are getting ready for the back-to-school season. Whether it's your child's first day of kindergarten or their final year of high school, this time of year brings a sense of fresh beginnings and renewed energy—and we're here to support students, parents, and educators every step of the way.

Guildwood Day

It was a pleasure to join the community in celebrating Guildwood Day. It was a fantastic parade and a full day of festivities right here in Scarborough-Guildwood. One special highlight this year was the appearance of the Toronto Police horses, which brought big smiles to kids and adults. It's always a treat to see such a unique part of our city's police service up close. It was heartwarming to see so many people come out to enjoy the day, connect with neighbours, and celebrate everything that makes Scarborough–Guildwood such a vibrant and welcoming community.

2nd Annual Filipino Heritage Month Event

On June 2nd, I had the honor of hosting the 2nd Annual Filipino Heritage Month event at Queen's Park alongside Filipinos in the 6ix. The event featured heartfelt speeches, dynamic performances, and a delicious array of cultural dishes that showcased the rich heritage of the Philippines. This gathering not only celebrated the accomplishments and contributions of Filipinos in our city but also strengthened the bonds within our diverse community. I am proud to support and stand alongside such a vibrant and resilient community, and I look forward to many more years of celebration.

Canada Day

It was a joy to host a Canada Day celebration at my constituency office, and even better to enjoy it outdoors in the beautiful warm weather. Families, friends, and neighbours gathered to mark the occasion with music, refreshments, and community spirit. It was heartwarming to see people of all ages coming together to celebrate what it means to be Canadian and to reflect on the diversity and unity that make Scarborough–Guildwood such a vibrant place to live.

Summer Community BBQ

Thank you to everyone who joined us for my Summer Community BBQ. it was a fantastic day filled with great food, laughter, and community connection. The warm weather made it the perfect opportunity to gather outdoors and enjoy time with friends and neighbours. Events like these remind us of the strong community spirit that defines Scarborough–Guildwood.

Queens Park Update

At Queens Park, I've continued to hold the government accountable on key issues that matter to the people of Scarborough – transit, affordability, unemployment. This spring, I took part in the debate on the 2025 provincial budget, pushing back on measures that fall short of meeting the needs of our community. I also worked to oppose Bill 5, which threatens to remove protections from important lands, including the Toronto Zoo and Rouge National Urban Park. These natural spaces must be preserved, not opened up to development. In addition to my advocacy work, I serve proudly as the Third Deputy Chair of the Whole House and Second Vice Chair of the Standing Committee on Social Policy. Your concerns continue to guide my work in the legislature, and I remain committed to being your voice at Queen's Park every single day. Watch my remarks in the legislature on YouTube!

Upcoming Events

Stay connected on all social media channels to receive live updates regarding our events! We are constantly updating our social media with community events, information sessions and more! Please reach out to our constituency office at 416-281-2787 or email us at ahazell.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org

Guildwood Village UPCOMING EVENTS

23 **aug** Nature Talk at Guild Park

10:00 a.m. to noon

See page 15 for details

20 **SEPT** **Shoreline Cleanup**

9:00 a.m. to noon

See page 11 for details

25 **ост** Halloween Haunt

Guild Park and Gardens 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Rain or Shine

See page 12 for details

13 **SEPT** Nature Talk at Guild Park

10:00 a.m. to noon

See page 15 for details

4 **ост** Pumpkinfest

Guildwood Junior Public School 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

See page 33 for details

1 NOV **Pumpkin Parade**

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

See page 25 for details

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 6. See 15A
 9. My goodness!
 13. _____ May Moses aka
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 14. Historical period
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 Eglinton & Brimley
 16. Baby movers
 18. _____ Bombeck
 19. A small village in Scotland
 20. The Boys
- 26. Toronto's famous gardens
 28. Small mouthfuls
 30. A wind direction (abbr)
 31. 1899-1902 war
 32. "You _____ What I Am", sang Gord Lightfoot
 33. 1960's Pontiac "muscle car"
- 34. Toronto is this kind of city39. Rural community north of
- Toronto 41. Hosted the 2016 Olympics
- 41. Hosted the 2016 Olymp
- 44. Build
- 45. An award

22. Stopped

24. _____ the show

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- 47. Haughty 49. Israeli P.M. from 1969-74
- 50. Roland ______, home of the French Open tennis tournament
- 51. Health retreat
- 54. Main and Yonge are these (abbr)
- 55. Having a position of influence with someone powerful (2 wds)
- 57. ____ age

- 59. So be it
- 62. Laurier students get one each
- 67. _____ Ave. connects

 Morningside to Lawrence
- 68. Self-centred person
- 69. Gradually grow faint
- 70. "____ a Maneater", sang Hall and Oates
- 71. Small British family room

Down:

- 1. _____ Warehouse
- 2. Cartoonist, Mr. Groening
- 3. Smokey Robinson was their lead singer
- 4. A pitcher's worst nighgtmare (3 wds)
- 5. A nice street in Guildwood
- 6. _____ Pieces
- 7. A human thing to do
- 8. It's sometimes a recipe quantity
- 9. Movie critic Roger _____
- 10. Outdoor decore items (2 wds)
- 11. Outdoor pest (2 wds)
- 12. Helps solve crimes (abbr)
- 17. ____ Paul, big name in guitars

- 21. Useful qualities
- 23. Forms of speech particular to specific regions
- 25. ____ Fender, big name in guitars
- 26. Song by the Jackson Five
- 27. British lavatory
- 29. Sometimes it can be fine
- 35. A U.S. state
- 36. Self-seeking hangers-on
- 37. Enclosed cooking chamber
- 38. Fake throat clearing noise
- 40. Send forth
- 41. An old t-shirt might become one
- 42. Mr. Gershwin
- 43. Greatest NHL defenceman

- 46. Periods of time (abbr)
- 48. It cannot be rhymed
- 52. They often include rhyme
- 53. Canadian province (abbr)
- 56. "And stay by my side until morning is _____"
- 58. Rather and Blocker
- 59. 1980's E/T sitcom
- 60. Ms. Farrow
- 61. Signified by 59A
- 63. Howard or Norman
- 64. Container
- 65. ____ Islands, Fiji
- 66. Medical test (abbr)

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Nicole Misura





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