



# Orillia culture days

September 25, 26 & 27, 2015

Culture Days is an annual event that allows you, the community a unique opportunity to connect and participate in local arts and cultural activities for FREE. Take part in activities happening across the city over the weekend.

Presented by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture



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## FRIDAY SEPT 25

@St.James Church – Parlour Room

### The Cellar Singers

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Get a Handle on Handel! Join the Cellar Singers and Mitchell Pady, artistic director, to explore Handel's Messiah Hallelujah chorus.

@Orillia Opera House

### Tour the Opera House

2:00pm-4:00pm

Explore the Orillia Opera House and learn about the performing arts and theatre. Tours and programming will be available, more information to be announced!

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### Open Studio

10:00am-2:00pm

Visit The Dorothy Macdonald Creative Studio and share your art with new, emerging, and experienced artists. Work and exhibiting areas will be set up.

### Monoprinting at the Museum

12:00pm-2:00pm

Learn how to create a monoprint using plexi-glass printing plates. Everyone will receive instruction on creating a unique image and run their plate through the printmaking press.

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## SATURDAY SEPT 27

@Orillia Opera House

### Metalwork with Terry Dyball

9:00am-1:00pm

Learn about metalwork and see a live demonstration outside the Orillia Opera House. Artist Terry Dyball will be using a portable forge, hammer, and anvil to give audiences a taste of what it is like to work with metal!

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@Orillia Public Library

### Orillia Taoist Tai Chi Society

9:00am-11:00am

The Orillia Taoist Tai Chi Society will be hosting free demonstrations of Tai Chi inside the Orillia Public Library program room on Saturday morning. Come experience the art of Tai Chi.

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[culturedays.ca/survey](http://culturedays.ca/survey)

### Music for Young Children Workshop

10:00am-12:00pm

Visit the library and get a hands-on, basic introduction to a variety of instruments including the ukulele, hand drums, rhythm instruments and more!

### DIY Stop animation Film Workshop

9:00am-4:00pm

Try your hand at making your own stop-motion film! All materials are provided and completed films will be emailed to their makers. Sponsored by the Orillia Film Festival.

### Improv with O-Town

10:00am-2:00pm

Come and play with O-Town Improv, your local Improvisation and Comedy Troupe. Enjoy this live comedy/drama workshop. Performance not mandatory.

### ConductUs!

Ever wonder what it would be like to lead an orchestra or choir? Join us Saturday Sept 26 at the Orillia Farmers' Market for your chance to pick up a baton and conduct one of these local groups:

#### Schedule:

8:30 - Orillia Wind Ensemble

9:30 - Chorale

10:30 - Orillia Silver Band

11:30 - Orillia Vocal Ensemble

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### The Collective Canoe

12:30pm-3:30pm

A hands-on activity will give participants a new appreciation of a quintessentially Canadian symbol.

### Make-A-Button

12:30pm-3:30pm

Create your own custom button or work with a template! Celebrate Orillia's culture and history by pressing your design into a pin-back button! DIY wearable art @OMAH!

### Champlain's Compass

12:00pm & 2:00pm

Written by Bridget Gole in honour of the 400th anniversary, this play is loosely based on historical accounts of the explorer's three days lost in the wilderness of Ontario.

Performance at Couchiching Beach Park @ the Champlain Monument

@Gilbert's Guitars

### Ukulele Workshop

1:00pm-3:00pm

Visit Gilbert's Guitars in the afternoon for a fun Ukulele workshop with the Sunshine Ukulele Network.

### Black and White Printmaking

12:00pm-4:00pm

Come and print make with local artist Xavier Fernandes.

### Jim Harris & Hammer Dulcimer

2:00pm-4:00pm

Try this unusual instrument under the instruction of local musician Jim Harris.

@Peter St Fine Arts

### Open ART Studios

12:00pm-4:00pm

Visit the studios of local artists Brian Tosh, Patti Agapi & Beverly Post-Schmeler.

### The Art of Abstraction

11:00am-1:00pm

Explore abstract mixed media painting using intuitive forces as a guide.

### Introduction to Palette Knife Painting

2:00pm-4:00pm

Explore the art of palette knife painting. This is a fun, introductory workshop.

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## SUNDAY SEPT 28

@Regan house

### Harvest Fest

11:00am-2:00pm

Get a taste for the French and First Nations culture with food inspired by Regan House's three sisters' garden and French Acadian music by Ariko. Champlain's Compass, will take place at 12:00PM. The site has three different gardens and a large trail system that is also free to explore.

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### Family Fun Drop In

2:00-3:00pm

Families can visit the museum and participate together in a family art activity delivered by a regional artist.

### Michael Gabriel "Strings Attached" Concert Preview

3:00pm-4:00pm

Join Michael Gabriel to hear an intimate preview concert that will give you a taste of what's to come at his full-length 'Strings Attached' concert on October 2, 2015 at the Georgian Theatre.

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**Special Pop-up Activity By Paul Baxter**

Schedule is subject to change †