




**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: OAKVILLE CELEBRATES CANADA DAY
With All Day Festival & Spectacular Fireworks Show –
Wednesday, July 1, 2009 **

Get ready for the party of summer 2009 and it's **FREE**-no admission charge for a superb day of Fun in the Sun! The Corporation of the Town of Oakville and the merchants of the Bronte Business Improvement Area invite you to Oakville's Canada Day Celebration on Wednesday, July 1st. in beautiful Bronte Village and harbour (southwest Oakville) on Lake Ontario.

Mayor Rob Burton Oakville urges residents and visitors alike to come to this annual event. "The Town is very pleased to be a major partner, along with Heritage Canada and the Bronte BIA. In particular, we are proud to play our role in saluting our veterans and fallen heroes, and those that risk their lives to keep us safe and give us the freedoms we enjoy as Canadians. We dedicate Canada Day 2009 at the end of Veteran's Highway as a salute and Oakville's leg of the Highway of Heroes".

Bring your lawn chairs, hats, sunscreen, kiddies and strollers, and prepare to spend the day with us.

Enjoy a sizzling day of summer sun, samplings of food outdoors from participating Bronte restaurants, and items hot off the grill in our Beer'n' Burger garden in the park, serviced by our friends and sponsors, the **Kinsmen Clubs** of Oakville.

For a small donation to good works, early birds can kick off the day at 8am. with the annual **Oakville Trafalgar Lions Club** pancake breakfast on Bronte Rd. south of Marine Drive.

Visit our vendor's bazaar and artist's row, featuring the works of noted Bronte artists such as Paul Sandilands, Robert Boast and Bob Irvine. Take time to walk around the village to our various art galleries and restaurants and bars.

Between 11 and 4pm, there are loads of FREE things for kids to do. Meet Cinderella at the Retro Rock Lounge Stage. Stay to watch **Joharah**, owner of **Belly up Belly Dance Studio** and her student troupes will perform the art form of belly dance to the audience, inviting all ages to participate in this beautiful and energetic form of dance.

RBC Bronte Branch presents a lineup of fantastic children's entertainment throughout the day. Catch International Award Wining Magician Scott Dietrich, on Bronte Rd., Noam Marcus, a fantastic rollerblading mime and Rory Gaudon, a storytelling balloon artist out on the street. Enjoy free birthday cake for the first 100 kids, courtesy of Sobey's Bronte Village Mall. Don't miss out on exquisite face-painting art, and balloon antics, by Doodlebug and Roundabout, sponsored by local resident and realtors **Sue Coleman and Kathryn Bandiera**, Sales Representatives, **Remax Aboutown Realty**.

Bouncy castles and a huge obstacle course will round out the fun at a nominal sum.

Visit the **BetheGame.Pro KidZone** in Waterfront Heritage Park. Engage in some interactive sports games with the Be The Game team. Team Canada hockey player, Ryan O'Marra will be on hand for Canada Day with BE THE GAME Sportswear for autographs and pictures with the kids and all fans alike. Support local charities and minor sports purchasing an exclusive, **"Free to be Me" CANADA**

DAY T-Shirt to celebrate the freedoms all Canadians enjoy, thanks to our veterans and fallen heroes.
www.bethegame.pro/store

This harbourside Canada Day Festival in Oakville boasts a fantastic live music lineup – all with no admission, a great value for families and people of all ages.

Nineteen acts, featuring close to fifty talented performers offering a wildly diverse range of award-winning, quality entertainment, will entertain audiences on three different stages: Boardwalk Stage - Bronte Rd, south of Lakeshore, Gazebo Stage, Bronte Waterfront Heritage Park, and Centriller Square stage east of Lakeshore Rd. W. Thanks to sponsor **Retro Rock Lounge** for sound and technical support.

Centriller Square Stage: on Lakeshore Rd. will feature some 7 acts playing a diverse range of music including blues, jazz, country, soul and rock, something for everyone. **Alright Alright** **Winners of the 2009 Metroland's Best of the West Battle of the Bands** competition will perform at 7:30 and close the Centriller Stage at 9pm to lead people to the fireworks. The band took their favourite Clash, Buddy Holly, and Motown Records, and engineered an enigmatic sound of raw power and dancehall energy.

The Boardwalk Stage: sponsored by **Retro Rock Lounge**, will feature five bands on this Bronte Road stage including The Sarah Burton Band. Sarah packs a deadly musical punch using charisma, charm and a rock and roll attitude. Sarah draws from country, pop and rock to create a sound that is both fresh and familiar. Sarah has toured and performed internationally.

Gazebo Main Stage: An afternoon of *'pickin in the park'* at the **Gazebo Main Stage** kicks off with **Shawn Brush**, the **Krooked Cowboy**, followed by five-time Juno nominated acoustic guitarist **Stephen Fearing**. Stephen was the first musician to play the Six String Nation Guitar on Canada Day on Parliament Hill 3 years ago. The pace heats up at 6pm with **George Olliver & Gangbuster** 8-pce band with horns performing some all-time classic favourites of the past. George Olliver is a Canadian musical institution. Audiences have been raving about his stage show for years.

Finishing off the evening on the Gazebo Stage and taking us up to the fireworks will be our **Headliner NewWorldSon**. They won the **2007 Covenant Awards** from GMA Canada for "Best New Artist" and "Roots/Folk album of the year". And were 2008 Juno Award nominees for "Best Christian/Gospel Album of the year" for "**Roots Revolution**". Their blend of pop, soul, jazz and gospel is unlike anything going on in popular music today. The legendary **Liberty Silver** will lead us in Oh Canada.

Leave your car at home if possible and take the bus to Bronte. Parking is free there will be restrictions and road closures south of Marine Drive will be in effect for everyone's safety. Please be patient.

Join us in this special salute to our vets and troops and troops. Enjoy the day and end the evening with the spectacular show of the whole event, the magnificent fireworks show off Bronte Pier.....the Big Bang!

For more detailed program information and performer profiles:

www.brontevillage.net

www.myspace.com/brontebusinessimprovement

YouTube: [BronteEventsOakville](http://www.youtube.com/BronteEventsOakville)

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