## **Special Events & Festivals**

Here's a list of other special events and festivals happening in Toronto and nearby areas, organized by month.

### **June 2025**

* **Classical Proms Evening**
  + **Dates:** June 2nd, 2025 - Monday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Elegant classical music concert
  + **Address:** 1 Austin Terrace, Toronto, ON M5R 1X8
  + **Cost:** Tickets typically $30-70+ CAD
  + **Website:** [Symphony in the Gardens: Classical Proms (Let's Live a Life)](https://www.letslivealife.com/ontario/festivals-events/2025-cfa7e8fac9b9/symphony-in-the-gardens-classical-proms)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Casa Loma area, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Comedy Show Night**
  + **Dates:** June 3rd, 2025 - Tuesday
  + **Duration:** 1.5-2 hours
  + **Activity:** Improv/sketch comedy performance
  + **Address:** 1 York St, Toronto, ON M5J 2P1
  + **Cost:** Tickets typically $25-40+ CAD
  + **Website:** [Yuk Yuk's Toronto](https://www.yukyuks.com/toronto)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Rivoli Live Music**
  + **Dates:** June 5th, 2025 - Thursday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Intimate indie music performance
  + **Address:** 334 Queen St W, Toronto, ON M5V 2A2
  + **Cost:** Tickets typically $15-30+ CAD
  + **Website:** [The Rivoli](https://www.therivoli.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Queen West, accessible by streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Crews & Tangos Drag**
  + **Dates:** June 6th, 2025 - Friday (and other nights)
  + **Duration:** Late evening
  + **Activity:** Drag queen show & dancing
  + **Address:** 508 Church St, Toronto, ON M4Y 2C3
  + **Cost:** Cover charge (typically $10-20+)
  + **Website:** [Crews & Tangos Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/crewsandtangos/?hl=en)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Church-Wellesley Village, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** [Crews & Tangos](https://www.google.com/search?q=https://maps.app.goo.gl/F6A2V5H8C1J3K7L99)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused venue)
* **Jazz Festival Opening**
  + **Dates:** June 7th, 2025 - Saturday
  + **Duration:** Varies by performance
  + **Activity:** Free outdoor jazz performances
  + **Address:** Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto, ON
  + **Cost:** Free (many outdoor performances)
  + **Website:** [TD Toronto Jazz Festival](https://torontojazz.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Luminato Festival**
  + **Dates:** June 6th-22nd, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Arts and creativity festival with various performances and installations.
  + **Address:** Various venues across Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Varies by event.
  + **Website:** [Luminato Festival](https://www.luminatofestival.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **TD Toronto Jazz Festival**
  + **Dates:** June 20th-29th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Major jazz festival with free outdoor stages and ticketed concerts.
  + **Address:** Various venues (e.g., Nathan Phillips Square, OLG Stage).
  + **Cost:** Free and ticketed events.
  + **Website:** [TD Toronto Jazz Festival](https://torontojazz.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Indigenous Arts Festival**
  + **Dates:** June 21st-23rd, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Celebration of Indigenous arts and culture.
  + **Address:** Fort York National Historic Site, 250 Fort York Blvd, Toronto, ON M5V 3K9.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [Kamamooshkaming Sagiiwehwining (Downie Wenjack Fund)](https://downiewenjack.ca/events/ksfest2025/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Taste of Little Italy**
  + **Dates:** June 22nd, 2025 - Sunday
  + **Duration:** Full day
  + **Activity:** Street festival celebrating Italian culture, food, and music.
  + **Address:** College Street (between Bathurst St and Shaw St).
  + **Cost:** Free entry, food/drink purchases extra.
  + **Website:** [Taste of Little Italy](https://tolittleitaly.com/taste-of-little-italy/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Little Italy, accessible by streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Search for College Street, Toronto for general area)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **NXNE Festival**
  + **Dates:** June 13th-15th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Music and gaming festival.
  + **Address:** Various venues in Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Varies by event.
  + **Website:** [NXNE Music Festival](https://www.nxne.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Toronto Outdoor Art Fair**
  + **Dates:** June 27th-29th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day event
  + **Activity:** Outdoor art exhibition and sale.
  + **Address:** Nathan Phillips Square, 100 Queen St W, Toronto, ON M5H 2N1.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [Toronto Outdoor Art Fair](https://torontooutdoor.art/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Kensington Antiques Hunt**
  + **Dates:** June 29th, 2025 - Sunday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Browse unique vintage shops.
  + **Address:** Kensington Market, Toronto, ON.
  + **Cost:** Free to browse, purchases optional.
  + **Website:** [Kensington Market BIA](https://kensington-market.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Kensington Market, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Search for Kensington Market, Toronto for general area)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Aga Khan Museum Visit**
  + **Dates:** June 15th, 2025 - Sunday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Islamic art & architecture.
  + **Address:** Aga Khan Museum, 77 Wynford Dr, North York, ON M3C 1K1.
  + **Cost:** General admission ~$20 CAD.
  + **Website:** [Aga Khan Museum](https://www.agakhanmuseum.org/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (North York, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **ROM Evening Exploration**
  + **Dates:** June 17th, 2025 - Tuesday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Leisurely museum visit.
  + **Address:** Royal Ontario Museum, 100 Queen's Park, Toronto, ON M5S 2C6
  + **Cost:** General admission ~$25-30 CAD.
  + **Website:** [Royal Ontario Museum](https://www.rom.on.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Bloor-Yorkville, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Arsenal Lume Art**
  + **Dates:** June 24th, 2025 - Tuesday
  + **Duration:** 1.5-2 hours
  + **Activity:** Immersive digital art experience.
  + **Address:** Arsenal Contemporary Art Toronto, 45 Ernest Ave, Toronto, ON M6P 3M7.
  + **Cost:** Tickets typically $30-50+ CAD.
  + **Website:** [Arsenal Contemporary Art Toronto](https://www.arsenalcontemporary.com/to/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (West End, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)

### **July 2025**

* **Jazz Bistro Night**
  + **Dates:** July 3rd, 2025 - Thursday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Intimate live jazz performance
  + **Address:** 251 Victoria St, Toronto, ON M5B 1T8
  + **Cost:** Cover charge (typically $10-25 CAD) plus food/drink
  + **Website:** [Jazz Bistro](https://jazzbistro.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Free Flicks by the Lake**
  + **Dates:** July 8th, 2025 - Tuesday
  + **Duration:** 2-2.5 hours
  + **Activity:** Outdoor movie screening by lake
  + **Address:** Harbourfront Centre, 235 Queens Quay W, Toronto, ON M5J 2G8
  + **Cost:** Free
  + **Website:** [Harbourfront Centre](https://harbourfrontcentre.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Harbourfront, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Summerlicious**
  + **Dates:** July 1st-August 18th, 2025 (Ongoing)
  + **Duration:** Varies
  + **Activity:** City-wide culinary event with prix fixe menus at participating restaurants.
  + **Address:** Various restaurants across Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Varies by restaurant.
  + **Website:** [Summerlicious Toronto](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/summerlicious/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by restaurant location)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by restaurant location)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Salsa on St. Clair**
  + **Dates:** July 12th-13th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Vibrant street festival celebrating Latin culture with live music, dancing, and food.
  + **Address:** St. Clair Avenue West (between Winona Dr and Christie St).
  + **Cost:** Free entry, food/drink purchases extra.
  + **Website:** [Salsa on St. Clair](https://salsaintoronto.com/salsa-on-st-clair/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (St. Clair West, accessible by streetcar/subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Search for St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto for general area)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Beaches Jazz Festival**
  + **Dates:** July 17th-20th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Multi-day jazz festival with free outdoor concerts.
  + **Address:** Woodbine Park and Queen Street East, Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [Beaches Jazz Festival](https://www.beachesjazz.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (The Beaches, accessible by streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Search for Woodbine Park, Toronto for general area)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Casa Loma General Admission**
  + **Dates:** July 28th, 2025 - Monday
  + **Duration:** 2-3 hours
  + **Activity:** Explore historic castle
  + **Address:** 1 Austin Terrace, Toronto, ON M5R 1X8
  + **Cost:** General admission (check website)
  + **Website:** [Casa Loma](https://casaloma.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Casa Loma area, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **CNE (Canadian National Exhibition)**
  + **Dates:** July 28th-August 18th, 2025 (Ongoing)
  + **Duration:** Full day (or multiple visits)
  + **Activity:** Annual fair with rides, games, exhibits, and live entertainment.
  + **Address:** Exhibition Place, Lakeshore Blvd, Toronto, ON.
  + **Cost:** General admission (check website).
  + **Website:** [The Ex (CNE)](https://www.theex.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Exhibition Place, accessible by streetcar/GO Train)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Toronto Caribbean Carnival (Caribana)**
  + **Dates:** July 29th-August 4th, 2025 (Grand Parade: August 2nd)
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival, with a main parade day
  + **Activity:** Grand Parade, parties, and cultural events celebrating Caribbean heritage.
  + **Address:** Various venues, Grand Parade at Exhibition Place.
  + **Cost:** Varies by event, some free.
  + **Website:** [Toronto Caribbean Carnival](https://torontocarnival.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, Grand Parade at Exhibition Place)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue, search for Exhibition Place, Toronto for parade)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)

### **August 2025**

* **Taste of the Danforth**
  + **Dates:** August 9th-10th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** One of Canada's largest street festivals, celebrating Greek culture, food, and entertainment.
  + **Address:** Danforth Avenue (between Broadview Ave and Donlands Ave).
  + **Cost:** Free entry, food/drink purchases extra.
  + **Website:** [Taste of the Danforth](https://tasteofthedanforth.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Danforth, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Search for Danforth Avenue, Toronto for general area)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **CNE Garden Show**
  + **Dates:** August 23rd, 2025 - Saturday
  + **Duration:** Varies (included with CNE admission)
  + **Activity:** Large flower & vegetable competition, exhibit.
  + **Address:** Exhibition Place, Lakeshore Blvd, Toronto, ON.
  + **Cost:** Included with CNE admission.
  + **Website:** [The Ex (CNE)](https://www.theex.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Exhibition Place, accessible by streetcar/GO Train)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)

### **September 2025**

* **Play the Parks Concert**
  + **Dates:** September 2nd, 2025 - Tuesday
  + **Duration:** 1.5 hours
  + **Activity:** Free outdoor music concert
  + **Address:** McGill Parkette, 415 Yonge St, Toronto, ON.
  + **Cost:** Free
  + **Website:** [Downtown Yonge BIA - Play the Parks](https://downtownyonge.ca/playtheparks/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Play the Parks Concert**
  + **Dates:** September 3rd, 2025 - Wednesday
  + **Duration:** 1.5 hours
  + **Activity:** Free outdoor music concert
  + **Address:** College Park, 420 Yonge St, Toronto, ON.
  + **Cost:** Free
  + **Website:** [Downtown Yonge BIA - Play the Parks](https://downtownyonge.ca/playtheparks/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Budweiser Stage Concert (Tedeschi Trucks Band)**
  + **Dates:** September 3rd, 2025 - Wednesday
  + **Duration:** Evening (3-4 hours)
  + **Activity:** Major outdoor music concert
  + **Address:** 909 Lakeshore Blvd W, Toronto, ON M6K 3L3.
  + **Cost:** Varies greatly by artist, usually $50-200+ CAD.
  + **Website:** [Budweiser Stage](https://premiumlive.mlse.com/venues/budstage)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Exhibition Place area, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF)**
  + **Dates:** September 4th-14th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** World-renowned film festival with premieres, screenings, and industry events.
  + **Address:** Various cinemas and venues downtown Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Varies by screening/pass.
  + **Website:** [TIFF](https://tiff.net/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **JFL42 Comedy Festival**
  + **Dates:** September 11th-20th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Comedy festival featuring stand-up, sketch, and improv performances.
  + **Address:** Various venues in Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Varies by show/pass.
  + **Website:** [Just For Laughs (HAHHAHA.com)](https://www.hahaha.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Oktoberfest (Toronto)**
  + **Dates:** September 19th-20th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day event
  + **Activity:** Celebration of Bavarian culture with beer, food, and music.
  + **Address:** Various venues (check local listings).
  + **Cost:** Varies by event.
  + **Website:** [Toronto Oktoberfest](https://torontooktoberfest.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Word on the Street Festival**
  + **Dates:** September 21st, 2025 - Sunday
  + **Duration:** Full day
  + **Activity:** Canada's largest outdoor book and magazine festival.
  + **Address:** Queen's Park Circle, Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [The Word On The Street Toronto](https://thewordonthestreet.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Address provided)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Doors Open Toronto**
  + **Dates:** September 27th-28th, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day event
  + **Activity:** Opportunity to explore architecturally, historically, culturally, and socially significant buildings across the city, usually free of charge.
  + **Address:** Various buildings across Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [Doors Open Toronto](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/doors-open-toronto/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by building location, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by building location)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)
* **Nuit Blanche Toronto**
  + **Dates:** September 28th, 2025 - Sunday
  + **Duration:** All night (7 PM Sat - 7 AM Sun)
  + **Activity:** All-night contemporary art event with installations and performances.
  + **Address:** Various public spaces across Toronto.
  + **Cost:** Free.
  + **Website:** [Nuit Blanche Toronto](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/nuitblanche/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by installation location, generally accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by installation location)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** No (General event)

### **Specific LGBTQ+ Events In-Town**

* **Freedom Party Toronto 2025 - Rainbow Railroad**
  + **Dates:** Friday, June 6, 2025
  + **Duration:** Evening (8:30 pm – late)
  + **Activity:** An electrifying night of queer joy, resistance, and celebration at Rainbow Railroad's 10th Freedom Party, featuring drag icons (Symone, Kylie Sonique Love, Jaida Essence Hall), DJs, food, and drinks. Supports Rainbow Railroad's mission.
  + **Address:** Royal Ontario Museum, 100 Queen's Park, Toronto, ON M5S 2C6
  + **Cost:** Tickets vary (VIP & General Admission available).
  + **Website:** [Rainbow Railroad - Freedom Party Toronto 2025](https://www.rainbowrailroad.org/the-latest/freedom-party-toronto-2025)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** [Royal Ontario Museum](https://maps.app.goo.gl/kX7mFpQW9J3Yj8XQ6)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **Inside Out Toronto 2SLGBTQ+ Film Festival**
  + **Dates:** May 23 - June 1, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival
  + **Activity:** Canada's largest 2SLGBTQ+ film festival, celebrating queer stories through film.
  + **Address:** TIFF Lightbox, 350 King Street West, Toronto, ON M5V 3C6
  + **Cost:** Varies by screening/pass.
  + **Website:** [Inside Out Film Festival](https://insideout.ca/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway/streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** [TIFF Lightbox](https://maps.app.goo.gl/T41V6XhTz5R9kYj6A)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **Prism Festival Toronto 2025**
  + **Dates:** June 26 - July 1, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day circuit music festival (evening/night events)
  + **Activity:** North America's largest gay circuit music festival, spanning multiple events with international DJs, dancers, and epic production values. The 2025 theme is "Versailles."
    - **Thursday, June 26:** Bootcamp
    - **Friday, June 27:** Sugarland (Day Party), La Leche
    - **Saturday, June 28:** WE Party
    - **Sunday, June 29:** Revival (After Party)
    - **Monday, June 30:** Horse Meat Disco
    - **Tuesday, July 1:** RESIST (VIP Pass only)
  + **Address:** Various Toronto venues (e.g., Rebel, Cabana, History, Coda, DEPRTMNT). Check website for specific party locations.
  + **Cost:** Varies by event/pass.
  + **Website:** [Prism Festival](https://www.prismfestival.com/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Varies by venue, generally accessible by public transit/taxi)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by venue)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **Green Space Festival (The 519)**
  + **Dates:** June 26-30, 2025
  + **Duration:** Multi-day festival (day and night events)
  + **Activity:** A legendary series of parties during Toronto Pride, featuring DJs, producers, performers, and drag royalty. All proceeds support The 519 Community Centre. Includes events like "Starry Night," "Disco Disco," "One World," "Lipstick Jungle," and "Tree House."
  + **Address:** Barbara Hall Park – 519 Church St, Toronto, ON M4Y 2C9
  + **Cost:** Free to attend, with additional ticketed opportunities (Club 519 passes, meet & greets, VIP reception).
  + **Website:** [The 519 - Green Space Festival](https://www.the519.org/events/green-space-festival)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Church-Wellesley Village, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** [Barbara Hall Park](https://maps.app.goo.gl/a84cW5D4X4QJ7zZg7)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **Gay History Walk - Church-Wellesley Neighbourhood**
  + **Dates:** June 6, 12 & 20, 2025 (at 2 p.m.)
  + **Duration:** 45 minutes
  + **Activity:** A guided tour exploring significant 2SLGBTQ+ community spaces and queer history in Toronto's Village.
  + **Address:** Starts at Allan Gardens Palm House, 160 Gerrard St E, Toronto, ON M5A 2E5
  + **Cost:** Likely free or by donation (check Prime Timers Toronto for details).
  + **Website:** [City of Toronto - Pride Month 2025](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/pride-month/) (listed under "Coming Out: Street Events")
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** [Allan Gardens Palm House](https://maps.app.goo.gl/H4vB71W2bF6X5Q1G6)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **St. Lawrence Market Street Pride**
  + **Dates:** Sunday, June 22, 2025
  + **Duration:** Full day (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.)
  + **Activity:** Feast on fresh food and fabulous festivities with drag superstar Tynomi Banks, DJs, and a sensational lineup of 2SLGBTQ+ performers.
  + **Address:** Market Street (beside St. Lawrence Market South building), 93 Front St E, Toronto, ON M5E 1C3
  + **Cost:** Free entry, food/drink purchases extra.
  + **Website:** [City of Toronto - Pride Month 2025](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/pride-month/) (listed under "Coming Out: Street Events")
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** [St. Lawrence Market](https://maps.app.goo.gl/N6QvVv4w2v7Z4Y8R9)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **Queer Game Night with Get REAL**
  + **Dates:** Thursday, June 5, 2025
  + **Duration:** Evening (6:00 PM onwards)
  + **Activity:** A casual game night providing a queer-friendly space for connection.
  + **Address:** Snakes & Lattes College, 489 College St, Toronto, ON M6G 1A5
  + **Cost:** Varies (likely cover charge for game play + food/drink).
  + **Website:** [Eventbrite - Queer Game Night with Get REAL](https://www.eventbrite.com/d/canada--toronto/lgbt-events/) (search for specific event)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** [Snakes & Lattes College](https://maps.app.goo.gl/uPq3XpCq9F5F7A9D8)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)
* **LGBTQ+ Boat Cruises/Parties (e.g., "PURE" Polly Perry's All White Boat Cruise Brunch, S&L Annual Pride Boat Cruise)**
  + **Dates:** Various dates in June (e.g., June 8, June 28, 2025)
  + **Duration:** Half-day to evening (typically 3-5 hours)
  + **Activity:** Themed boat parties specifically for the LGBTQ+ community, often with music, food/brunch, and dancing on Lake Ontario.
  + **Address:** Depart from various docks, often near Harbourfront (e.g., The Yankee Lady III, 178 Cherry St).
  + **Cost:** Ticketed events, usually $50-100+ CAD.
  + **Website:** Check Eventbrite or local queer event listings (e.g., Yohomo.ca, promoter websites) for specific event details and booking.
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Harbourfront area, accessible by public transit)
  + **Google Map link:** N/A (Varies by specific departure dock)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused)

### **LGBTQ+ Friendly Places & Activities In-Town (Year-Round)**

* **Church-Wellesley Village (The Village)**
  + **Dates:** Year-round
  + **Duration:** Varies (can be explored for hours or a full day/night)
  + **Activity:** Toronto's historic and vibrant LGBTQ+ hub, home to numerous bars, clubs, restaurants, shops, and community spaces. It's the epicenter of Pride celebrations.
  + **Address:** Downtown Toronto, primarily Church-Wellesley Village.
  + **Cost:** Varies by activity/venue.
  + **Website:** N/A (General neighborhood)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Downtown Toronto, accessible by subway)
  + **Google Map link:** [Church-Wellesley Village](https://www.google.com/search?q=https://maps.app.goo.gl/Q5T7R9W1V3X53)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused area)
* **Hanlan's Point Beach (Toronto Islands)**
  + **Dates:** Year-round (ferry service reduced in off-season, beach best in summer)
  + **Duration:** Half to full day
  + **Activity:** Historic queer gathering place, known for its clothing-optional section. Offers stunning skyline views and a refreshing escape from the city.
  + **Address:** Toronto Islands (ferry from Jack Layton Ferry Terminal, 9 Queens Quay W, Toronto, ON M5J 2H3).
  + **Cost:** Ferry round-trip: ~$8.70 CAD.
  + **Website:** [Hanlan's Point (via Toronto.ca)](https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/parks-gardens/toronto-island-park/hanlans-point-beach/)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** ~15-20 minutes ferry ride from downtown
  + **Google Map link:** [Jack Layton Ferry Terminal](https://maps.app.goo.gl/3547F15m3uBw6J6R7)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Historically and currently a significant queer space)
* **Queen West / "Queer West" Neighborhood**
  + **Dates:** Year-round
  + **Duration:** Varies (can be explored for hours or a full day/night)
  + **Activity:** A trendy and artistic area with a growing LGBTQ+ presence, featuring inclusive bars, cafes, and shops.
  + **Address:** Queen Street West (generally between Roncesvalles Avenue and Trinity Bellwoods).
  + **Cost:** Varies by activity/venue.
  + **Website:** N/A (General neighborhood)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (West End, accessible by streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** [Queen Street West](https://www.google.com/search?q=https://maps.app.goo.gl/Q5T7R9W1V3X56)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Known for its inclusive and queer-friendly venues)
* **El Convento Rico (Little Italy)**
  + **Dates:** Year-round (typically Friday and Saturday nights, some special Sunday events)
  + **Duration:** Evening/Night
  + **Activity:** A legendary Latin-inspired dance club that has been a long-time favorite safe space for the queer community. Known for dazzling performances and an electric dance floor.
  + **Address:** 750 College St, Toronto, ON M6G 1C4
  + **Cost:** Cover charge may apply.
  + **Website:** N/A (Check social media for events)
  + **Approx travel time from Toronto city center:** In-town (Little Italy, accessible by streetcar)
  + **Google Map link:** [El Convento Rico](https://www.google.com/search?q=https://maps.app.goo.gl/Q5T7R9W1V3X57)
  + **LGBTQ+ Friendly:** Yes (Explicitly LGBTQ+ focused venue)