

# Rotaryfest

What is **Rotaryfest**? **Rotaryfest** is all about community and about Rotarians finding a way to make their communities a better place to live. Rotarians are doing this by raising money from these types of events and then supporting local initiatives and projects to give back to the community. The other way that they help to improve their communities is by bringing people together to enjoy an event over food, drink and music while making new friends and catching up with old ones.

During the 2018 Rotary International Convention, on June 26th, from 4:00pm until 10:00pm, you will get the chance to enjoy this special event right here in Toronto. Purchase your ticket today to enjoy your dinner and a beverage. If you should still be hungry and thirsty, there are several food options available for you to purchase.

Food vendors welcoming you at this special event include 3 World Class Ribbers, preparing your meal that includes ribs, Halal Jerk Chicken, or vegetarian fares and a variety of side dishes such corn on the cob, french fries and of course, poutine, a Canadian specialty. For your sweet cravings funnel cakes and ice cream will be available for dessert. To quench your thirst there will be a special selection of craft beers for you; choose from Great Lakes Brewery or our very own Rotary Local Lager. Megalomaniac Wines from our own Niagara Wine District will be available for you to try at **Rotaryfest**. Non-alcoholic drinks and water are always on hand as well.

Once you arrive at the **Rotaryfest** venue, you can begin to enjoy the various experiences and the entertainment. Enjoy Canada's Northern Lights at the Virtual Reality Booth, or have your picture taken in a birchbark canoe with a wilderness backdrop. If you are more interested in sports, try your hand at shooting a real puck into an authentic NHL hockey net. Or if you would like to learn more about the future of transportation, stop by the electric car display where staff will gladly answer your questions.

And of course, music is an important part of **Rotaryfest**. We have a terrific music lineup for you throughout the event. From 4:00pm until 5:30pm, the Brad James Band will entertain you with country music and if that gets your feet tapping, there will be an opportunity for you to try your hand or feet at country line dancing in front of the stage. At 6:00pm until 7:30pm tap your feet to the sounds of the Hogtown Allstars. Between 7:30pm and 8:00pm you will experience Indigenous Drumming with ceremonial chicken dancing, not to be missed! From 8:00pm until 10:00pm, we are pleased to have a Juno Award winning Rotarian, Jay Douglas, and his band to entertain us until we conclude with a spectacular fireworks display, ending the evening at 10:00pm.

Rotary International will be providing bus transportation to and from the Bandshell Park on the Exhibition grounds at regular intervals starting at 3:30pm from the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. After the fireworks at 10:00pm, buses will be available to transport you to all 9 registered convention hotels. If you prefer, your convention badge will allow you to travel to and from Rotaryfest by GO Transit, absolutely free (please note that streetcars are not included and will be at your expense). In addition, taxi service at your expense will be standing by to take you wherever you may want to go.

Don't miss out on this amazing event, where Rotarians come together to enjoy friendship and fellowship. Purchase your ticket today before the event is sold out!