

## Sunday, December 1, 2019

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### Annual Breakfast with Santa & Friends Fundraiser

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: Blackstock Recreation Centre Hall 3440 Church Street, Blackstock, ON L0B 1B0

The morning will include a pancake breakfast for all ages, a children's colouring and letters to Santa table, and an opportunity to have photos taken with Santa himself courtesy of Rachel Callan Photography.

The book and bake sale returns along with the always popular silent auction.

### A Country Path Christmas

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 8 locations

We invite you to A Country Path Christmas! 8 stops & 25+ "Makers to Meet". Local farmers, artisans & specialty producers. Stops along the way include: Archibald Orchards & Winery, Tyrone Mills, Timeless Essentials, Rosemary Jenkins Pottery, 3Beez.buzz/Our Valley View B & B, Gallery on the Farm, Geissberger Farmhouse Cider & Knox Farm. Also, Eldad United Church is open Friday from 10 - 4, serving lunch from 11 - 2. Enniskillen Tyrone Church is open Saturday from 10 - 4, serving lunch from 11 - 2. Embrace the Magic of the Season ! [More information & a downloadable brochure.](#)

### Christmas Collective at Artspace236

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Address: Artspace236, 236 Sandford Road, Sandford, Ontario, L0C 1E0

Please join us for the third annual Christmas Collective at Artspace236, where 10 artists will share their work just in time for Christmas gift giving. There will be sculpture, oil paintings, textile art, handmade jewellery and purses, ceramics, glass sculpture and gilded mirrors, and hand cut metal art. Info and images on our Instagram and Facebook page.

Friday evening's opening will feature a free concert by local guitarist Chris Saunders at 7:00pm

### A Country Path Christmas

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Clarington

Shop local and embrace the magic of the season with A Country Path Christmas. From November 29 - December 1 (10:00 am - 4:00 pm) take a drive through rural Clarington and stop at 8 locations to meet farmers, artisans and specialty producers:

Archibald Orchards & Winery  
Tyrone Mills  
Timeless Essentials  
Rosemary Jenkins Pottery  
Gallery On The Farm  
Geissberger Farmhouse Cider  
Knox Farm  
3BeezBuzz

A Country Path Christmas is your path to Christmas treasures!

## 100 Small Artworks Show and Sale

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## Christmas in the Village, Winter in the Woods

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 11:30 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Pickering Museum Village

Visit with the inhabitants of the pioneer village as they share their holiday customs. Enjoy Scottish Hogmanay, Welsh traditions, Victorian Christmas celebrations, Squire Jonathan's Christmas Ball, and a walk in the woods to see how Pickering's first settlers struggled in the wilderness. Backwoods Players presents the "Duffins Creek Sunday School Pageant" free with admission. Special admission fees apply. Advanced tickets on sale starting June 1, 2019 online and in person at the Pickering Museum Village Gift Shop.

## Sunday FUNday - The Victorian Home at Christmas

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: Oshawa Museum

See just how different life was for families around a Victorian home, especially at Christmas! Explore roles of the family, tools and gadgets that made their life easier and how the Victorians decorated their homes for the holidays. Get hands-on with real artefacts from the Victorian Era used in real Victorian homes, over 150 years ago!

Sunday FUNdays are held on the first Sunday of the month. Admission is free and allows you to interact with Museum staff and its collection.

12—4 pm in the Verna Conant Gallery at Guy House.

## Courtice Santa Claus Parade

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Courtice

The 7th Annual Courtice Santa Claus Parade is on Sunday, December 1 from 10:00 a.m. to noon! The "Dash down Nash" happens on Nash Rd. starting at Townline Rd. and ending at George Reynolds Dr.

## Christmas Flourishes Presented By Pickering Community Concert Band

Date and Time: Sunday, December 1 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: Forest Brook Community Church - 60 Kearney Drive - Ajax

Join us at our annual holiday concert featuring O'Neill Chamber Choir and Soprano Soloist Elena Makogonova

Enjoy free refreshments and start your Christmas shopping at our Silent Auction.

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## Monday, December 2, 2019

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### Tech Talks – Artificial Intelligence and Gaming

Date and Time: Monday, December 2 6:00 pm - 7:45 pm

Address: Durham College AI/HUB, SW 103, Gordon Willey Building, 2000 Simcoe St. N., Oshawa

Join Menashe Kestenbaum, CEO and Founder of Enthusiast Gaming Live Expo, Canada's largest gaming expo,

to explore the potential of Artificial Intelligence in the gaming sector, a +\$100B industry comprised of over 2.3 B gamers around the world.

The talk will be followed by a panel discussion with Tanmay Bakshi, the world's youngest IBM Watson programmer and an AI expert; Mahdi Raza, Founder & CEO of SiberX; Michael Ball, Information Security Advisor & vCISO at TeamCISO; and Sarah Wagg, Manager of eSports Arena, Durham College; where they will discuss opportunities, jobs and challenges in the gaming industry.

For more information on this event, visit: <https://seatgiantevents.ca/event/Artificial-Intelligence-and-Gaming-Tech-Talk>.

## Tuesday, December 3, 2019

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### Planning and Economic Development Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 3 9:30 am

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### SMILE Prenatal Class

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 3 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: Rose of Durham Young Parents Support Services, 707 Simcoe Street South, Oshawa L1H 4K5

A free seven week prenatal series for expectant parents aged 23 years and younger facilitated by public health nurses.

Participants share experiences and receive health education about pregnancy, labour, birth and early parenting including infant care and breastfeeding. Includes a hospital tour of Lakeridge Health Oshawa.

**Registration required please call Durham Health Connection at 905-666-6241 or 1-800-841-2729.**

## Wednesday, December 4, 2019

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### Downtown Brooklin Java Jolt

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Copper Branch 66 Baldwin Street Brooklin, ON L1M 1A3

Every other Wednesday, the Whitby Chamber of Commerce (WCC) facilitates member-driven Java Jolt gatherings at Copper Branch located in Brooklin. Java Jolts bring together local business people and professionals in a casual setting to discuss common challenges, build supportive networks and mastermind approaches that boost results.

Not a WCC member? No problem. These FREE events are open to all! We encourage everyone who wants to connect and learn to participate as much as their schedules permit.

For more information on this event, visit: <https://www.whitbychamber.org/attend-events/event-calendar/#id=414&cid=1445&wid=701&type=Cal>.

## Ready, Set, Grow Check-Up

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Address: Dr. C.F. Cannon Public School, 1196 Cedar Street, Oshawa

## Do you have questions about your child's development, learning or speech?

Attend a free drop-in for parents and caregivers of children birth to five years old. Bring your children and ask questions about learning, development and behaviour. Professionals from agencies will be present to answer your questions.

## Works Committee Meeting

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## Transit Executive Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 1:30 pm

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## **THEE Farmers' Parade of Lights**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: Tyrone, Haydon, Enniskillen & Enfield

Back for its 20th year, the farmers of Tyrone, Haydon, Enniskillen, Enfield and the surrounding area present the famous THEE Farmer's Parade of Lights on Wednesday, December 4.

It marks the end of harvest, the start of the Christmas season & serves as a thank you from the farmers to our communities for sharing the roads with farm vehicles.

Pack some warm drinks, a blanket, and bring your friends to one of the best Parades in Clarington!

## **Thursday, December 5, 2019**

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### **Health and Social Services Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 9:30 am

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### **Strategic Plan Development Task Force Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

### **Durham Advisory Committee on Homelessness**

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## Cinechats Film Festival

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: Room C-113, G. Willey Bld., UOIT/DC Campus, 2000 Simcoe St. N.

The Cinechats Film Festival is an acclaimed weekly (and year-round!) series of the best motion pictures from around the world. It's like TIFF, but right here in suburbia -- and without all the immodest hype. Instead, we have lively conversations after each film. To date, over 28,000 people have attended Cinechats, which is a not-for-profit community educational collaboration between Artsforum, the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT), Durham College, and the Durham Council for the Arts. (Trent University in Durham has also been a recent partner.) Cinechats was twice nominated for the region's Art of Transition Creative Award. Come see movies that will stir your emotions and make you think -- movies with award-caliber performances, movies for the artist in all of us. We've even had a world-premiere and some exclusive presentations of films before they were released commercially in North America. For more information, contact John at (905) 576-0359 or by email at : artsforum\_magazine@yahoo.ca

## Friday, December 6, 2019

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Address: 19 Railway St, Uxbridge, ON L9P 1E5

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## **Moonlight Magic and Tree Lighting**

Date and Time: Friday, December 6 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Address: Bowmanville

The annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Historic Downtown Bowmanville is on Friday, December 6.

Usher in the holiday season with this popular event. Bring the entire family to historic downtown Bowmanville for carol singing and the lighting of Bowmanville's Christmas Tree in the town square. You can also have your picture taken with Santa and his Elves.

Enjoy complimentary horse-drawn wagon rides along the main street - perfect for helping you carry all your parcels as you shop the many unique stores and restaurants that stay open late for evening holiday shopping.

FREE admission and FREE parking.

## **Downtown Whitby Christmas Market**

Date and Time: Friday, December 6 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: 405 Dundas St W Whitby, ON L1N 6A1

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## **Christmas Through the Ages, 2019 at St. George's Anglican Church, in Historic Pickering Village**

Date and Time: Friday, December 6 7:15 pm - 10:15 pm



Address: St. George's Anglican Church in the Historic Pickering Village. 77 Randall Drive, Ajax, ON. L1S 6L4  
(Free Parking)

Treat your musical appetite to the beloved Christmas Classics of Early, Renaissance & Contemporary music by Bach, Chapantier, Handel, Mundra & Scarlatti, played on strings, harpsichord & piano.

Produced & directed by a most talented musician, Surinder S. Mundra, conductor, composer, pianist, harpsichordist, organist & teacher, with renowned soprano Vanessa Oude-Reimerink and St. George's Strings.

Don't miss out on what promises to be a perfect evening filled with musical masterpieces of the Christmas season, giving the performer & listener alike, an enjoyable, inspirational, satisfying and unforgettable experience.

Reception to follow with cash bar - wine.

## **Saturday, December 7, 2019**

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### **AIM Gymnastics hosts 2019 Winter Classic**

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Address: 1503 Sandy Beach Road, Pickering, ON L1W 1Z5

AIM Gymnastics is proud to welcome over 200 athletes for the 2019 Winter Classic Level 6-9 gymnastics competition. Join us for a weekend of outstanding gymnastics, vendors, awards, and more.

Admissions (single day\*):

Adult: \$8.00

Student/senior: \$5.00

Child: \$3.00

Family: \$20.00

\*Discounts available for multi-day passes!

### **Hillsdale Terraces Holiday Sale**

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Address: 600 Oshawa Blvd. N., Oshawa

The holiday sale will have knitted items, jewelry, crafts, baked goods and more for sale.

### **Brooklin Christmas Marketplace**

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Address: Brooklin High School: 20 Carnwith Drive West, Brooklin (Whitby) ON , L1M 0K7

Mark your calendar to attend the Fourth Annual Brooklin Christmas Marketplace in support of Possibilities Ho

use for Children. Shop our amazing artisans, crafters, bakers and makers. There will be incredible gifts for everyone on your list (don't forget yourself). Join in the fun of our fabulous prize draw, kid's activities, a visit with Santa and so much more.

To learn more about or to make a donation to Possibilities House For Children please visit: <http://www.possibilitieshouse.org/>

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## Meet Santa and His Elves in Bowmanville

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Bowmanville

Santa Claus is visiting historic Downtown Bowmanville on Saturdays in December!

Come visit Santa and His Elves at the corner of King St. and Temperance St. N. from **10:00 a.m. - noon** and **2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on December 7, 14 and 21.**

Every child will have a chance to visit Santa and will receive a special holiday gift!

Photos taken by Hunter's Sports for a \$5 donation to The Salvation Army.

## Holly Jolly Jubilee

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: WindReach Farm - 312 Townline Road, Ashburn ON

Bring the family out to the Holly Jolly Jubilee! On December 7th from 10 am to 3 pm, WindReach Farm will be hosting its annual holiday open house, featuring lots of activities for all ages, including wagon rides, local artisans, photos with Santa, pony rides, visits with our animals, and more! The cost is \$25/car and patrons are encouraged to bring cash for the entry fee and to do a little holiday shopping at the craft fair. For more info, contact [info@windreachfarm.org](mailto:info@windreachfarm.org).

## Downtown Whitby Christmas Market

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## Country Music Star Kira Isabella Live at the Oshawa Centre

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: Oshawa Centre

On Saturday, December 7th, Canadian Country Singer, Kira Isabella, takes the stage at Oshawa Centre for a free, live performance to officially kick off this year's seasonal Light up the Sky campaign! Kira will be performing north of the food court (across from Danier).

This year marks the second annual Light Up the Sky campaign in partnership with Lakeridge Health Foundation. A large custom-built star screen representing a starry night has been built at the centre, and for every \$15 dollar donation made, a customer can light up their own star on the screen and receive a star ornament to take home. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Lakeridge Health Foundation. The campaign runs until Monday, December 24.

For more information please visit [www.oshawacentre.com](http://www.oshawacentre.com).

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## 2019 Scugog Santa Claus Parade

Date and Time: Saturday, December 7 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: Downtown Port Perry

**The 2019 Scugog Santa Claus Parade which is set for Saturday, December 7, 2019 @ 5:00pm!**

The Scugog Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Port Perry Lions Club bring to you the **2019 Parade Theme** of a *“A Christmas Miracle on Queen Street!”*

**Both organizations are looking for adult and student volunteers to help assist in various rolls such as float organizers (adults), and elves (students) to help Santa as he travels through Port Perry.**

**Did you know that it takes over 10 volunteer committee members & 40 event volunteers approximately 480 hours to bring together the Santa Claus parade every year! *That does not include all the hours that our wonderful participants put into their floats each year!!!***

**You can find all parade registration information and rules and regulations, insurance instructions and a parade route map on line at: [www.scugogchamber.ca](http://www.scugogchamber.ca). Under the Events Listing & [www.ScugogTourism.ca](http://www.ScugogTourism.ca)**

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### **Children's Old-Fashioned Christmas**

Date and Time: Sunday, December 8 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Address: Scugog Shores Museum Village, 16210 Island Road, Port Perry, ON L9L 1B4

The Scugog Shores Museum Village will be holding the Children's Old-Fashioned Christmas on Sunday, December 8 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Step back in time and tour through the historic village, traditionally decorated for the holidays with evergreen boughs, bright ribbons and berries. Children will be engaged in activities throughout the village.

Visit with Santa Claus and his elf, create unique ornaments to hang on your tree, decorate traditional Victorian Christmas Cards, visit with the blacksmith and print shop and explore the Museum Village on a holiday scavenger hunt.

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## Joy to the World with Durham Chamber Orchestra

Date and Time: Sunday, December 8 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: Forest Brook Community Church, 60 Kearney Dr, Ajax ON

Join us for an afternoon of your favourite yuletide music. Conductor Carlos Bastidas presents the 'Durham Chamber Orchestra' with Guest performers Durham's 'Resound Choir.' Enjoy the sounds of Sleigh Ride, Nutcracker Suite, Christmas at the Movies, Hallelujah Chorus, a Holiday Sing Along and more.

## Durham Philharmonic Choir's Christmas Concert "YULETIDE CHEER!"

Date and Time: Sunday, December 8 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: College Park Church, 1164 King St East, Oshawa, ON L1H 1H9

The Durham Philharmonic Choir's 27<sup>th</sup> Christmas concert features an array of seasonal music by the choir, soloists and orchestra, along with audience carols plus the musical fable *Brother Heinrich's Christmas* by John Rutter.

A truly festive family event for one and all to enjoy. Come and experience live music in a special setting – it will surely be a memorable highlight of your Christmas season.

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## Monday, December 9, 2019

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### Land Division Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, December 9 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

### Pop Culture Art Showcase

Date and Time: Monday, December 9 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: Comic Book Addiction

The Pop Culture Art Showcase will feature local artists who specialize in comic book, television, and videogame style art. Come out and mingle with artists and art enthusiasts while enjoying refreshments, prizes, and activities throughout the evening. All art is for sale and would make unique and exciting gifts for anyone on your holiday gift list.

## Tuesday, December 10, 2019

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### Sport Durham Convergence

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Address: Durham College Esports Arena (located in Student Centre), 12 Commencement Drive, Oshawa

Join us at the 2019 Sport Durham Convergence where we will share, learn, grow partnerships and collaborate to advance sport tourism and strengthen sport culture in Durham Region!

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- **Registration, Continental Breakfast and Welcome**
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## **in Durham Region**

- **Presentation: Hosting Sustainable Events** with **Eric Novak** of [EnviroDad.com](http://EnviroDad.com)
- **Lunch and Esports Gaming Freeplay**

General Admission is \$20 and Durham College Sport Management Student Admission is \$10.

**Dress Code:** We invite you to dress for comfort. Casual/athletic wear is encouraged.

**Parking:** Complimentary parking available in Founders 1 parking lot directly behind the Student Centre / Esports Arena building. The parking gate will be up and there will be no need to take a ticket. View the [DC Oshawa Campus map](#) for event parking and location details.

Space is limited so be sure to **register** before the December 4 deadline!

## **Sport Durham Convergence**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Address: Durham College Esports Arena (located in Student Centre) 12 Commencement Drive Oshawa, ON L1H 7K4

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**Dietary Requirements:** Please contact Lori Talling at [lori.talling@durham.ca](mailto:lori.talling@durham.ca) or 905-668-4113 ext. 2608 if you have any dietary restrictions or requirements.

## **Finance and Administration Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 9:30 am

## **100 Small Artworks Show and Sale**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Address: Visual Arts Centre of Clarington, 143 Simpson Ave., Bowmanville, L1C 2H9

This exhibition offers VAC members the opportunity to show and sell their artwork with the first 100 submitted artworks getting automatically accepted into the show, and 100% of the sale price going directly to the artists.

## **Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 7:30 pm

## **Wednesday, December 11, 2019**

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### **Food Safety Training & Certification**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 11 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Address: Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters - Room 1G, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby

One out of three Canadians will get sick from food this year. The cause is often mistakes made by food industry workers, who are responsible for preventing these illnesses. Education is an effective way to prevent illness.

A one-day course is taught by a public health inspector. A written exam is taken at the end of the course. Participants who pass the exam will get a Food Safety Training Certificate and laminated wallet card.

[Course details, registration and payment details.](#)

### **Committee of the Whole Meeting**

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# Thursday, December 12, 2019

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## Durham Active Transportation Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, December 12 7:00 pm

# Friday, December 13, 2019

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## THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride

Date and Time: Friday, December 13 4:45 am - 9:00 pm

Address: 19 Railway St, Uxbridge, ON L9P 1E5

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## **Downtown Whitby Java Jolt**

Date and Time: Friday, December 13 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: The Food And Art Café, 105 Dundas Street West, Whitby

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## **Whitby Brass Band Christmas Concert**

Date and Time: Friday, December 13 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: Hebron Christian Reformed Church, 4240 Anderson street, Whitby

The Whitby Brass band Christmas concert, an enjoyable evening for all the family.

Traditional and new Christmas music arrangements with guests O'Neill CVI Chamber Choir.

## **Saturday, December 14, 2019**

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### **Oshawa Comicon**

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Delpark Homes Centre (formerly Legends Centre) 1661 Harmony Rd N, Oshawa ON.

\$2 Admission

Special guest WWE legend Vickie Guerrero!!

When: Saturday December 14 from 10am to 4pm.

Where: Legends Centre  
1661 Harmony Rd N, Oshawa, ON

Tickets: Online (Eventbrite) + At Door

FOOD DONATIONS = FANTASTIC PRIZES:

Please bring food items for the local food bank!

One ticket per item!

A variety of vendors will be selling comic books, new & vintage toys, cards, jewelry, DVD's, anime, manga, prints, and a variety of other awesome geek stuff among other things!

Tell your friends and come join us for a day of fun at ! Cosplay is always encouraged! (Please check our website for rules & regulations)

## Meet Santa and His Elves in Bowmanville

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Bowmanville

Santa Claus is visiting historic Downtown Bowmanville on Saturdays in December!

Come visit Santa and His Elves at the corner of King St. and Temperance St. N. from **10:00 a.m. - noon** and **2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on December 7, 14 and 21.**

Every child will have a chance to visit Santa and will receive a special holiday gift!

Photos taken by Hunter's Sports for a \$5 donation to The Salvation Army.

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## A Notable Christmas

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: St. George's Anglican Church 77 Randall Drive, Ajax, ON L1S 6L4

Durham Notables Presents A Notable Christmas

## A Christmas Concert of FUN seasonal music

December 14 @ 2:30 pm

Special guests The Crimson Quartet

St. George's Anglican Church  
77 Randall Drive, Pickering Village, Ajax

under the direction of Judy Scott  
accompanist Bonnie Thomson

tickets: adults \$20 | students 12 & under \$ 10

contact: 905.550.8823 | [fransancroft@gmail.com](mailto:fransancroft@gmail.com)

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## Together at Christmas

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: St. Francis Centre, 78 Church Street South Ajax L1S 6A8

Music by the Bay Live welcomes you to celebrate the magic and music of the season. Under the musical direction of Lance Anderson, an All-Star cast will perform seasonal favourites that will be sure to put you in the Christmas spirit.

The holidays will soon be upon us and Christmas cheer will fill the air! Bring the entire family or host your staff appreciation party ***Together at Christmas.***

With Special Guest Shakura S'Aida and Featuring Chuck Jackson, Cheryl Lescom and more.

## Pop Up Theatre Reading "It's a Wonderful Life"

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Address: Church of the Ascension, 266 North St. Port Perry, ON

**This classic holiday favorite reminds us that each person's life touches the lives of others by telling the story of George Bailey who, with the help of an angel, is given the chance to see how life in Bedford Falls might have been without him.**

**Approximately 2 hours with intermission.**

## Champions Of Magic

Date and Time: Saturday, December 14 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Address: Tribute Communities Centre

The five world-class illusionists that make up this mind-bending theatrical production are touring Canada, following a record-breaking run in Toronto. Don't miss this incredible show to entertain the entire family on a Canadian national tour for the first time when it comes to Oshawa's Tribute Communities Centre on Saturday, December 14, 2019 for one night only!

Tickets for Champions Of Magic in Canada are on sale September 13 at 10:00am and can be purchased online at [tributecommunitiescentre.com](http://tributecommunitiescentre.com), by phone at 1-877-436-8811 and in person at the ticket office.

With more than 30 million online views between them, this cast of top magicians includes international award-winners presenting stunning stage-filling illusions, impossible mind reading and enchanting close-up magic. Their skills have been seen on screen around the world with appearances on The CW's 'Penn & Teller: Fool Us', NBC's 'Caught on Camera with Nick Cannon', 'The Today Show' & 'Access Hollywood Live' and in Canada on 'The Morning Show', 'Breakfast Television' and 'Your Morning'.

The Champions Of Magic team present incredible interactive magic, an impossible escape from Houdini's water torture cell, a mind-blowing prediction that has to be seen to be believed, levitation high above the stage and a finale beyond explanation. The show features spectacular illusions that can't be seen anywhere else.

Champions Of Magic has been seen by hundreds of thousands around the world – now is Canada's chance to see why fans return to see one of the world's biggest touring illusion shows time and time again.

Don't miss your chance to catch some of the greatest magicians on the planet, with a show that never fails to amaze, in Champions Of Magic.

Groups of 10+ save through the group sales department. Contact them today to save.

## Sunday, December 15, 2019

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### Bowmanville Comicon

Date and Time: Sunday, December 15 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



Address: Garnett B. Rickard Complex. 2440 Durham Regional Hwy 2. Bowmanville, ON

Bowmanville Charity ComiCon

\$2 Admission

w special guest WWE legend Vickie Guerrero!!

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## BRRRRave Holiday Art

Date and Time: Sunday, December 15 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Visual Arts Centre of Clarington, 143 Simpson Ave., Bowmanville, ON, L1S 2H9

Hang up your mittens in our art studio because your hands will be getting creative using all of your holiday cheer! All materials included, \$30 per student.

## The Pottery Express

Date and Time: Sunday, December 15 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Visual Arts Centre of Clarington, 143 Simpson Ave., Bowmanville, ON, L1S 2H9

Jingle all the way down to our pottery studio to make a special holiday-themed pottery piece! All materials included, \$30 per student.

## Joy to the World with DURHAM CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Date and Time: Sunday, December 15 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: Town Hall Theatre 302 Queen St Port Perry

Enjoy an afternoon of your favorite seasonal music. Maestro Carlos Bastidas and the orchestra bring you Sleigh Ride, The Nutcracker Suite, Hallelujah Chorus, a Holiday Sing-a-Long and more. We are joined by Durham's Resound Choir and Vocalist Curtis Hadden.

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## A Christmas Story - Christmas Concert

Date and Time: Sunday, December 15 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 632 Thornton Rd. N Oshawa, ON

Enjoy an evening of Christmas music by 2 choirs and a string ensemble at the annual Christmas Cantata at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. General seating. Refreshments will be served after the concert. There will be a large collection of Christmas story books to view before and after the concert. The children can also enjoy a vocal reading of a few books in the display room before the concert.

## Monday, December 16, 2019

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## **Tuesday, December 17, 2019**

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## **Wednesday, December 18, 2019**

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### **Downtown Brooklin Java Jolt**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Copper Branch 66 Baldwin Street Brooklin, ON L1M 1A3

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For more information, visit their website: <https://www.whitbychamber.org/attend-events/event-calendar/#id=415&cid=1445&wid=701&type=Cal>.

## Durham Region Transit Commission Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 8:30 am

## Regional Council Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 9:30 am

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## Thursday, December 19, 2019

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## Strategic Plan Development Task Force Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, December 19 9:00 am

## Cinechats Film Festival

Date and Time: Thursday, December 19 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

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# CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH BRITISH PANACHE! GREATEST HITS OF SIR EDWARD ELGAR

Date and Time: Friday, December 20 8:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Address: Regent Theatre - 50 King Street East, Oshawa ON

Ontario Philharmonic's much anticipated annual Holiday Program brings young Canadian cello sensation Stéphane Tétreault front and center with Edward Elgar's marvelous Cello Concerto. Come celebrate with British "Pomp & Circumstance", Holiday favourites and the very best of Sir Edward Elgar.

Sir Edward ELGAR	Pomp and Circumstance March
Leroy ANDERSON	Christmas Festival
Sir Edward ELGAR	Cello Concerto op.85, in E minor

- *Stéphane Tétreault, solo cello*

## Intermission

Bob KROGSTAD	The Bells Of Christmas
Sir Edward ELGAR	Enigma Variations, op.36

For tickets: [tickets.regenttheatre.ca](https://tickets.regenttheatre.ca) OR 905-721-3399 x2 OR <https://www.ontariophil.ca/program-2.html>

## Saturday, December 21, 2019

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### Meet Santa and His Elves in Bowmanville

Date and Time: Saturday, December 21 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Bowmanville

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- *Stéphane Tétreault, solo cello*

### **Intermission**

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## **Sunday, December 22, 2019**

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**THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride**



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Join us for this magical trip where York-Durham Heritage Railway will be providing service to the North Pole onboard **THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride** this holiday season.

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Once onboard, hot chocolate and treats are served as passengers read along with the classic children's book, The Polar Express, by Chris Van Allsburg. Santa and his helpers greet passengers at the North Pole and then board the train, where everyone is given the first gift of Christmas. ***Pajamas for children of all ages is encouraged!***

## **Monday, December 23, 2019**

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### **Arctic Assemblage**

Date and Time: Monday, December 23 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: Visual Arts Centre of Clarington, 143 Simpson Ave., Bowmanville, L1C 2H9

Create an assemblage of sculptures using clay in our professional pottery studio. Students will work with hand-building techniques, to make clay sculptures inspired by arctic themes. All materials are included. Price: \$85 per day.

## **Friday, December 27, 2019**

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### **Jack and the Beanstalk**

Date and Time: Friday, December 27 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: The Whitby Centennial Theatre 416 Centre St. South Whitby

Jack and the Beanstalk @ The Whitby Centennial Theatre  
Friday Dec. 27, 2019 to Tuesday Dec. 31, 2019

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## 11th Annual Camp Ryan Shining On for Hearth Place Fundraising Skate

Date and Time: Friday, December 27 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: Campus Ice Centre, 2200 Simcoe St N, Oshawa, ON

Please join us for the 11th Annual Camp Ryan Shining On For Hearth Place Skate on Friday December 27th, 2019 from 6:30pm to 9:30pm at Campus Ice Centre, 2200 Simcoe St N, Oshawa, ON.

Skate Admission: \$5 to skate

There will also be raffle tables and a bake sale with all proceeds going to Oshawa's Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre in memory of Ryan Ganz.

## Pro Hockey Heroes VS Whitby Professional Firefighters

Date and Time: Friday, December 27 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: Iroquois Park Sports Centre

Come see a full line up of former NHL players!

This is a fantastic family event and will include lots of skill and lots of laughs. This 2 hours of action-packed entertainment promises to be fun and memorable for all ages.

IN SUPPORT OF THE DURHAM REGIONAL CRIME STOPPERS

Get your tickets here: <https://www.ticketweb.ca/event/pro-hockey-heroes-benefit-celebrity-iroquios-sports-park-tickets/9738265>

For any event questions please call the Campaign Office at 1-800-516-5810 or [www.ProHockeyHeroes.com](http://www.ProHockeyHeroes.com)

## Saturday, December 28, 2019

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### Jack and the Beanstalk

Date and Time: Saturday, December 28 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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## Sunday, December 29, 2019

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### Jack and the Beanstalk

Date and Time: Sunday, December 29 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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## Monday, December 30, 2019

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## Tuesday, December 31, 2019

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### Jack and the Beanstalk

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## **NYE 2020**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 31 5:00 pm

Address: 774 Liverpool rd. Pickering

Come celebrate NYE with us at Chúuk Mexican Restaurant and Bar!

1st Seating

4:30 - 6:30 pm arrivals, \$55 4 course dinner

2nd Seating

8:00 - 10:30 pm arrivals, \$75 4 course dinner

Enjoy the music of our resident DJ from 9 pm on.

We include Complimentary Midnight Champagne Toast.

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## **New Year's Eve Dinner**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 31 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: 1604 Champlain Ave, Whitby, Ontario, L1N 9B2

Join us at Bistro'67 and ring in the New year with a one of a kind dining experience. New Year's Eve three-cour

se dinner for \$85.00 plus applicable taxes and gratuities. Reservations are between 5:00-9:00pm.

## **New Year's Eve Family Celebration**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 31 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: 2440 Highway 2

Ring in the New Year with your family and friends at Clarington's Family Celebration. Held from 6 to 9 p.m. at Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Complex.

The event is FREE to the public with a small fee if you are interested in public skating. Wristbands are for skating only and can be purchased at any Municipal Recreation Facility.

Free activities include inflatables, games, Janet Lange face painting, Soper Creek Wildlife, balloon twisters, a Sensory Break Zone and the balloon drop at 9 p.m.

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