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## **Buzzing Bees Adventure Farm - Monster Mystery Corn Maze**

Date and Time: Sunday, October 31 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Address: Buzzing Bees Adventure Farm, 1070 Concession rd 5, Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0

Looking for a different Corn Maze experience??? Come try the family friendly monster mystery game within the Buzzing Bees Adventure Farm's 9-acre corn maze. Hidden throughout the maze are monster riddles. Find and solve all 8 riddles to reveal the secret code number. If your team of sleuths can submit the correct code, you win! The corn maze monster mystery game takes approximately 2 hours, but make sure to leave yourself more time as there are a number of other fun activities such as pedal karts, toddler tractor course, pumpkin bowling, elastic band shooting range and more. So, assemble your team of friends and family and come enjoy a fall day out on the farm.

## **Tea & Talk from Home: Museum Ghost Stories & Victorian Mourning**

Date and Time: Sunday, October 31 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 1450 Simcoe Street South, Lakeview Park, Guy House

Are you a believer? Listen to some of the paranormal experiences staff have had within the Museum homes!

During the Victorian Era, there was an extensive mourning culture created that employed elaborate dress, jewelry, funeral trappings, photographs and a myriad of commemorative items. The term 'mourning' came to mean more than just grieving for the loss of a loved one; it comprised all the ways that the Victorians expressed that grief.

October's Tea & Talk from Home reviews the past OM exhibit, *Mourning After: The Victorian Celebration of Death* and Museum ghost stories! Discover how mourning was expressed; from funerals to clothing, post-mortem photography and cemeteries.

Tickets are available by donation, online at Eventbrite.ca. This is an online event via Zoom.

## **Monday, November 1, 2021**

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### **Land Division Committee Virtual Meeting**

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

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### **Award-Winning Film PORTRAITS FROM A FIRE**

Date and Time: Monday, November 1 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: Landmark Cinemas 24 Whitby

\*Best Canadian Feature Film Award, Edmonton International Film Festival\*

\*BC Emerging Filmmaker Award, Vancouver International Film Festival\*

Shot on location in Tl'etinqox (Anaham) Reserve, Portraits from a Fire follows a teen (played by William Lulu a) who stumbles upon a secret that unravels the story of his family. Also starring Nathaniel Arcand, Asivak Koo stachin, and Sammy Stump.

Directed by Trevor Mack.

Distributed in Canada by Photon Films.

## **Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

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### **Planning and Economic Development Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 2 9:30 am

## eCommerce 101: What, why, and how. (Digital Main Street)

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 2 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Webinar

More consumers than ever before are turning to online shopping for greater convenience, safety, and variety. In this webinar, the Toronto Digital Service Squad will teach you the basic steps to setting up an online store. We will cover everything from what you need to prepare before launching a store, to choosing an e-commerce platform, to providing excellent customer service online. You'll finish this session feeling excited about how e-commerce can help you reach new customers and expand into different markets.

What you will learn:

- What is e-commerce, why it's important and the benefits of selling online
- What platforms are available and how to pick the right one for you
- The basics of inventory management, choosing the right solution, and streamlining point-of-sale for both in-store and online
- Optimizing your website content, choosing the right themes, and the basics of search engine optimization (SEO)
- How to set up secure payments and various shipping options & costs
- Look at the basics of driving traffic to your store and boost sales through a variety of digital marketing channels
- How to provide excellent customer service throughout the e-commerce purchase funnel

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## **Wednesday, November 3, 2021**

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### **Works Committee Meeting**

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## **Transit Executive Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 3 1:30 pm

## **BACD Start Up Session**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 3 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

This session covers the essential steps to starting a small business including registering a business name, licenses & permits, HST, business banking, insurance and hiring employees.

## **Thursday, November 4, 2021**

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

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## **FTMS: The Fast Lane To Smart Transportation**

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The Future of Transportation Mobility Series (FTMS) is back November 4th with The Fast Lane to Smart Transportation: a virtual event focused on the transportation and mobility sector that's packed with insightful keynotes, thought-provoking panel discussions and networking opportunities with industry, entrepreneurs, government and academia!

From key technologies in connected/autonomous integrated goods movement and ways in which municipalities can be ready for these advancements, to the role of data, cybersecurity and AI in the mobility and transportation sector, and more, this event is an in-depth exploration of how we can bolster Ontario's progress in the connected and autonomous goods movement.

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## SEO Fundamentals: Online Webinar (The Ontario Grants Webinar Series)

Date and Time: Thursday, November 4 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

You have a website, but how do customers find it? You need to drive traffic to your website by making sure your business shows up on Google when customers search. This beginner-level workshop will teach you how to connect your business to customer searches on Google and how to optimize your website and digital presence for Google, without costing you money.

### ***You'll learn:***

- What Search Engine Optimization (SEO) is and how Google and other search engines work
- How to successfully conduct keyword research so you can choose which keywords will attract the right website visitors
- How to write website content with Google in mind, and how to leverage different types of content to generate the best search engine results
- How listing and ranking websites can increase your SEO power
- How to use social media and links from other websites to improve your Google ranking
- How to measure your SEO efforts to see what's working and what's not

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JP King and Matt Nish-Lapidus are hosting an experimental sonic dialogue at the VAC's Loft Gallery. This performance challenges the behaviour of communication networks through the use of modular synthesizers and software that mimic and take inspiration from mycelial networks.

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