

WATER LANTERN FESTIVAL

Your magical night awaits!



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EVENT GUIDE

Toronto, ON
September 18-20, 2026

Downsview Park
70 Canuck Ave.
North York, ON M3K 2C5

EVENT INFO

Welcome to the Water Lantern Festival, where family, friends, and community members gather to reflect and connect with one another.

SCHEDULE

- 4:30-7:00 PM**
Arrival time between 4:30-7:00, arrive before 7:00 PM
- 5:30-6:15 PM**
Performers
- 6:15-7:30 PM**
Lantern Stories, Meditation, Launch Instructions
- 7:30-8:30 PM**
Lantern Launch Window
- 8:30 PM**
Event Ends



Enjoy the vibrant and lively atmosphere of the festival, including local food trucks and lively entertainment. Create a unique lantern honoring your experience and set it afloat, lighting up the night with love and laughter.



What to bring?

Bring blankets, chairs, and food to make your festival experience even better.



What if it rains?

Events are rain or shine! All event updates will be sent by email to participants.



When is launch time?

Lantern launch typically begins at sunset & lasts for 1 hour. Check out the timeline listed above!



What do we do first?

When you arrive at the event, head over to the Check-In tents with your tickets to receive your lantern kit!



VENUE & PARKING

Public transit is strongly encouraged for the smoothest arrival and departure experience.

PARKING

Public Transit - Downsview Park is accessible by TTC and GO Transit. Take TTC Line 1 to Downsview Park Station or the Barrie GO Line to Downsview Park GO Station, then follow event signage into the park.

Parking - \$15 per vehicle

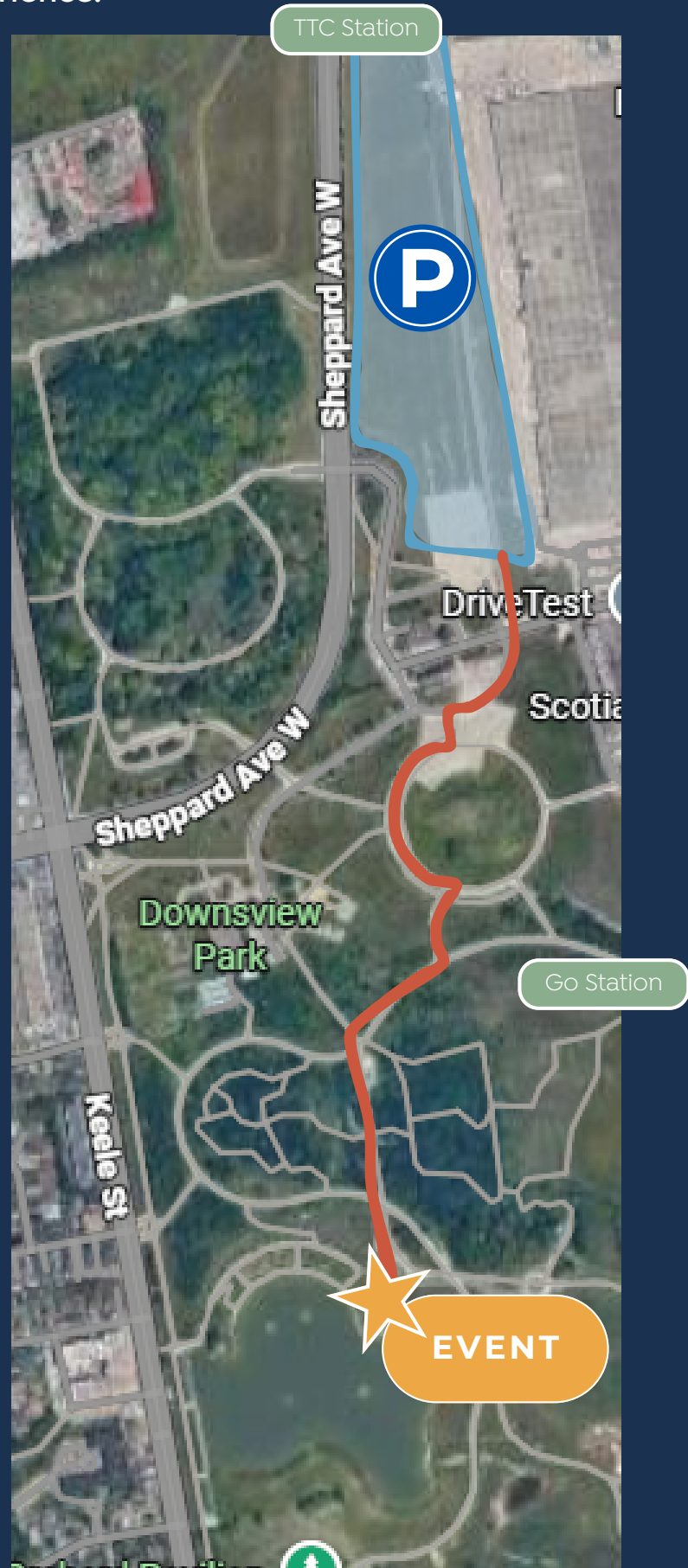
Event parking is located at 30 Carl Hall Rd, North York. A \$15 parking fee per vehicle will be collected by the venue upon arrival. Please refer to the event map for the designated parking area.

Optional Shuttle - \$10 per person, each way. The festival grounds are approximately a 0.6-mile (1 km) walk from the parking area. An optional paid shuttle will be available for guests who prefer not to walk.

To the Festival: Shuttle service is \$10 per person, payable onsite. Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Return to Parking: Return shuttle service is \$10 per person, with payment collected directly by the shuttle provider after the event.

Please plan ahead and allow extra time for parking, transportation, and walking to the festival grounds.



LANTERN LAUNCH

Our lantern launch is subject to weather conditions which may impact the lanterns movement on the water.

DECORATE YOUR LANTERN

- Decorate your lantern with messages of empowerment, remembrance, and connection.
- Push the four rods into each corner of the lantern base and slide the paper sleeve over the rods.
- Place the LED candle in the center of the lantern.
- Listen for instructions and launch your lantern during the designated window.

SUSTAINABILITY

The Water Lantern Festival is committed to caring for our environment and protecting precious natural resources. Our lanterns are crafted from sustainable materials such as wood and biodegradable paper, ensuring they are biodegradable and eco-friendly.

After the event, our team carefully retrieves every lantern and removes any litter from the water and surrounding areas. We work hard to leave the Garden even better than we found it. We encourage all guests to join us in this effort by reducing waste, recycling where possible, and respecting the natural beauty of the Garden.

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VENDORS

Support your favorite local vendors at the event.

HK Food Station

Tita Flips Inc.

Alijandro's Kitchen

Pimento Jerk Chicken

Mustache Burger

Get & Go Grill

Burrito Land

Road Grill

Shawarma Gate

What a Jerk

Funnel Cake Dream

Food From East Express

Drift Coffee Club (Saturday & Sunday only)

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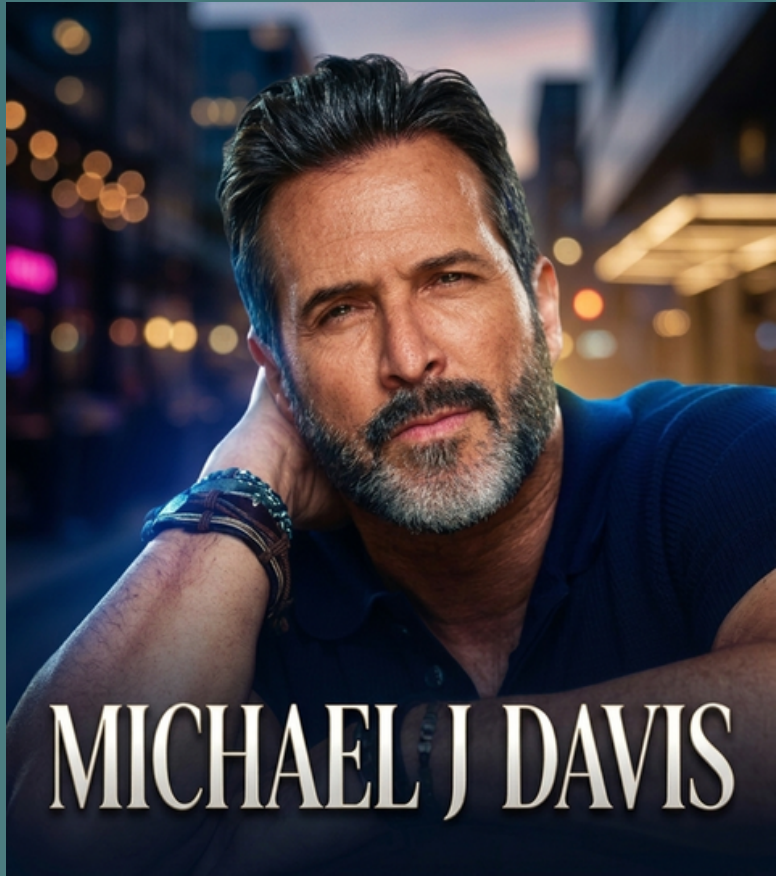


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PERFORMERS

Friday

JAY DAVIS



NANCY LOVE



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PERFORMERS

Saturday

GRACIE



ERIC SORENSON



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PERFORMERS

Sunday

KARINA MUHIR



EVERY LANTERN
A STORY

BENJI CRANE



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MORE INFORMATION

RELEASE WAIVER

By participating in the Water Lantern Festival, you agree to the release waiver which can be viewed at <http://www.waterlanternfestival.com/release-waiver>. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Children should not be left unattended at any time during the event.

EVENT UPDATES

Be sure to follow the Water Lantern Festival event page on Facebook to receive last-minute event updates.



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