



## THE COUNTDOWN IS ON: TD TORONTO JAZZ FEST IS LESS THAN A MONTH AWAY

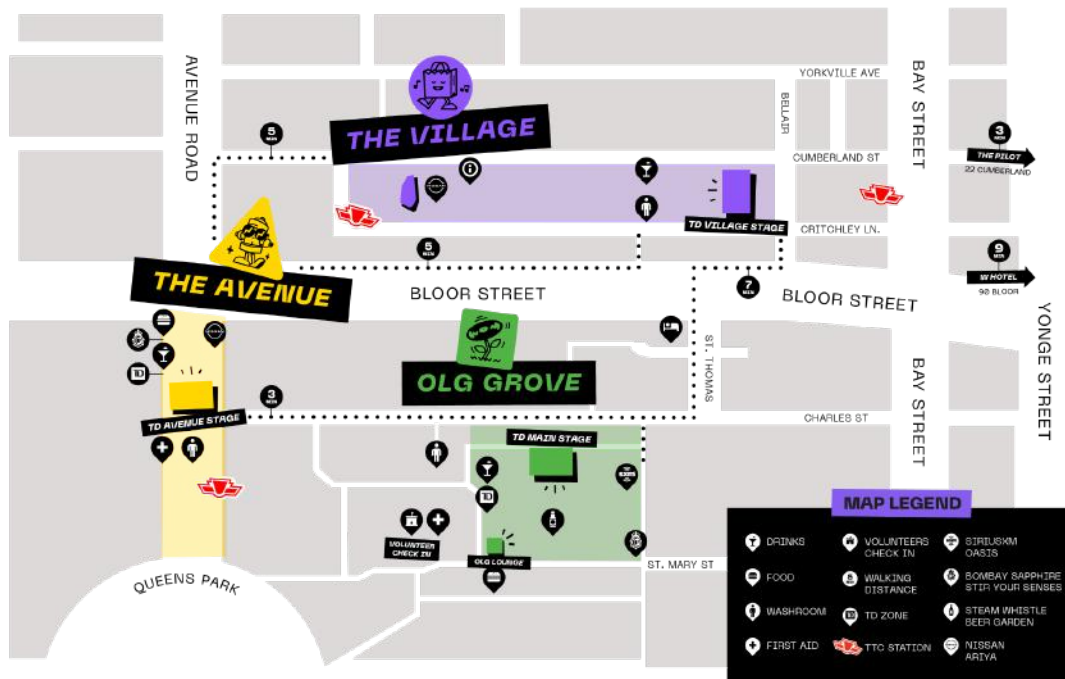
*From over 100 free outdoor performances to late night revelry, here's how to make the most of this year's Festival*

**- JUNE 23 - JULY 2 -**

Toronto, ON - The wait is almost over - we're only three weeks away from 10 days of FREE outdoor music! Starting June 23, TD Toronto Jazz Fest is once again taking over the Bloor-Yorkville neighbourhood with more than 100 free live performances from world-renowned local and international musicians. Together with food trucks, craft beer, handcrafted cocktails, lawn games, interactive brand activations and late night jams, TD Toronto Jazz Fest has everything you need for the ultimate summer festival experience.

### PLAN YOUR JAZZ FEST

The full Festival schedule and map are now available on [torontojazz.com](http://torontojazz.com), so Festival-goers can start planning and curating their personal Jazz Fest experience.



In addition to the already jam-packed lineup of musicians, including previously announced headliners **Ashanti**, **Snarky Puppy**, **Melody Gardot** and **Jully Black**, we've added even more Canadian talent presented by **SiriusXM Canada**, including award-winning jazz vocalist **Molly Johnson**, indie pop powerhouse **Begonia**, singer-songwriter **Jonah Yano**, whose second album was produced by Jazz Fest headliners **BADBADNOTGOOD**, natural-born vocalist **ClereI**, and **Maya Killtron** with her signature brand of fun, feel-good modern boogie.

## Full Schedule

FRIDAY JUNE 23	<p><b>JULLY BLACK</b> SAMUEL WILLIAMS BARRANTIS • DJ MELBOOGIE • MICHAEL SHAND TRIO</p>	WEDNESDAY JUNE 28	<p><b>MELODY GARDOT • SNARKY PUPPY</b> <b>KOKOROKO</b> • BLUE MOON HARQUEE MALLEUS TRIO • THE OSTARA PROJECT • ALINE'S ETIOLE MAGIQUE • DJ JOHN KING</p>
SATURDAY JUNE 24	<p><b>BADBADNOTGOOD</b> LOONY • PEDRITO MARTINEZ GROUP MARK KELSO &amp; THE JAZZ EXILES • ELIANA CUEVAS QUINTET • ROBERT LEE GROUP DEBI BOTOS QUINTET • GAVIN HOPE • TIME WARP • BIG SMOKE BRASS ROSS WOODRIDGE WITH ALEX PANAMAN • ASIKO AFROBEAT ENSEMBLE JULIANA GOGO • SHOUT! THE BAND • TRASH PANDA BRASS</p>	THURSDAY JUNE 29	<p><b>HERBIE HANCOCK • CIMAFUNK</b> TANIA CHARLES • LORRAINE KLAASEN • THE ALTONS K'LA CHARTER • SO LONG SEVEN • COREY DANKINS ALLISON AU WITH SAM DICKINSON, DON MEYER &amp; JARED GOLDMAN</p>
SUNDAY JUNE 25	<p><b>ASHANTI • HAVIAN MIGHTY • JONAH YANO</b> <b>DELVON LAHARR ORGAN TRIO • BRAXTON COOK</b> CLEREL • TORONTO MASS CHOIR • MARY ANCHETA QUARTET • ANDREW STEWART TRIO THE HEAVYWEIGHTS BRASS BAND FEAT. SERGE THAL • SUPER DUTY TOUGH WORK DJ AGILE • TORONTO BLUES SOCIETY TALENT SEARCH FINALS</p>	FRIDAY JUNE 30	<p><b>MOLLY JOHNSON</b> • THEON CROSS THE JOY LAPP'S PROJECT • GARNETTA CROSBELL &amp; DAGROUMASTERS CHARLOTTE MCFREE-BRUNNER • DJ DVS</p>
MONDAY JUNE 26	<p><b>BRAD MEHLDAU TRIO/AVISHAI COHEN TRIO</b> <b>KUNÉ • KOLLAGÉ FEAT. ALEXIS BARD</b> A FANTÁSTICA BATERIA FEAT. ALINE MORALES • LEON PHAL • PULKES BAND NICKY SCHREIER QUINTETT • JERUS NAZDAQ • CHRIS GALE TRIO</p>	SATURDAY JULY 1	<p><b>BEGONIA</b> • SHINGAO • EFAJENUE MARTA ELENA Y SU ORQUESTA • NASTASIA V • KATE WYATT QUARTET JACOB CHUNG QUINTETT • JESSE RYAN &amp; KAISSO STREET COLLECTIVE KRZYSZTOF BARANOWSKI TRIO • DJ NICO</p>
TUESDAY JUNE 27	<p><b>GEORGE BENSON • COLIN STETSON</b> MARK GUILIANA • RE-VERSE WITH PHOENIX PAGLIACCI • MALIKA THOUJEN PULKES BAND • ANDREW MARZOTTO QUARTET • DJ MIRA BELA THE ERNESTO CERVINI QUARTET FEAT. JOEL FRAHM</p>	SUNDAY JULY 2	<p><b>THE BAD PLUS • ANOMALIE BIG BAND</b> <b>BREKKY BOY • MAYA KILLTRON</b> THE LIBERTON STREET BAND • SCOTT/GRANT 5 • THE NIMMONS TRIBUTE THE U.S. ARMY JAZZ AMBASSADORS FEAT. INGRID &amp; CHRISTINE JENSEN • HAMESNET PAUL CHEN • THELMA VELLIN SCHOOL OF THE ARTS • KRZYSZTOF BARANOWSKI TRIO</p>

Also joining the lineup are international artists including Australian instrumental electronic jazz trio **Brekky Boy**, Cuban percussion sensation the **Pedrito Martinez Group**, internationally acclaimed drummer **Mark Guiliana**, and the official touring jazz orchestra of the U.S. Army, the **U.S. Army Jazz Ambassadors**, featuring outstanding **Canadian jazz artists Ingrid and Christine Jensen**.

While a number of ticketed performances have already sold out, limited tickets are still available for **Afro-Cuban rockstar Cimarfunk**, **The Bad Plus** and **Colin Stetson**. Tickets can be purchased via [torontojazz.com](http://torontojazz.com).

## EAT + DRINK

Let's be honest - it wouldn't be a real festival without mouth-watering food and drink options to help fuel the fun. This year TD Toronto Jazz Fest has kicked it up a notch with the addition of food trucks to the already epic street takeover on Queen's Park during Opening Weekend. **Poutine Supreme** will be serving up - you guessed it - piping hot poutines while the **Heavenly Dreams Ice Cream** truck will be keeping things cool with soft serve, popsicles and everything in between.

Purveyors of premium gin and Festival sponsor, **Bombay Sapphire**, will be handing out **free samples of summery handcrafted cocktails** that will be available for purchase in full size at all of the Festival bars throughout the Fest.

Over in the Burwash Quad on the historic Victoria College Campus, the OLG Grove will play host to **Ali's Wraps** all Festival-long, serving up Middle Eastern favs like shawarma and falafel as well as classic fare like chicken nuggets and burgers, and a number of vegetarian options.

Thirsty? Grab an ice cold Canadian brew and chill out in the all-new **Steam Whistle Beer Garden** in the OLG Grove or sip on a glass of **Woodbridge** wine and take in the festivities with the perfect summer festival refreshments.

## MAX OUT YOUR FESTIVAL VIBES

With back-to-back performances on multiple stages in the Bloor-Yorkville neighbourhood, hot food and cold drinks, the vibes are already high. Nevertheless we've levelled things up this year to create an even better Festival experience.

Snag a seat in one of the **TD Zones** from our title sponsor to enjoy the best views in the house along with access to power, free wifi and shade to keep you charged up and going all day long, or take a load off, charge your phone and hydrate in the **SiriusXM Oasis** in the OLG Grove, where guests can also enjoy shady premium patio seating.

Also in the Grove, DJs will be spinning in the double decker **OLG Lounge** to keep the party going in between sets on the TD Main Stage. And anyone looking for some friendly competition can challenge their friends to classic lawn games like Ladder Toss, Corn Hole and Connect 4 while enjoying live music in the sun.

## EXPLORE THE BLOOR-YORKVILLE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Toronto's most iconic neighbourhood merging style, culture, art, and wellness - and the home of TD Toronto Jazz Fest - the [Bloor-Yorkville neighbourhood](#) has so much to offer all within a few must-visit blocks. Featuring fine dining, art galleries and upscale shopping alongside free performances on the TD Village Stage, exploring Bloor-Yorkville adds another dimension to a visit to Jazz Fest.



# ENTER AN EPIC GIVEAWAY

Looking for a Jazz Fest experience that money can't buy? We've teamed up with our partners at **W Toronto** and the **Bloor-Yorkville BIA** to host an epic giveaway. One lucky winner will receive a VIP prize pack which includes a one-night stay in the laps of luxury at W Toronto, gift certificates to some of the hottest spots in the Bloor-Yorkville neighbourhood, VIP tickets to the sold-out Jazz Fest **Snarky Puppy** show at History, and a meet and greet with one of the TD Toronto Jazz Fest headliners. This once-in-a-lifetime contest is open until 11:59 PM on June 13, 2023 - full contest details can be found on Instagram @torontojazzfest and @blooryorkville.



## ENJOY LATE NIGHT TUNES

Daily outdoor performances wrap before 11 PM, but the TD Toronto Jazz Fest keeps the music going well into the night.

This year night owls can head to legendary Yorkville bar **The Pilot** to enjoy the Festival's official **Late Night Jam nightly between 10 PM and 1 AM**, where bands jam into the wee hours and surprise guests are known to drop in. A storied haunt with a decades long legacy of hosting legendary musicians, a trip to The Pilot is an absolute must for the complete Jazz Fest experience.

For those looking to switch things up and enjoy scene-stealing design, live DJs and elevated cocktails, **W Toronto's Living Room** is the spot. A premier sponsor of this year's TD Toronto Jazz Fest, W Toronto is the place to see and be seen, and cap off your day at Jazz Fest with some late night revelry.



Whether you're a Jazz purist or a fan of many genres, are looking for as much free live music as possible or music interspersed with games, food, drinks and shopping, the 36th edition of the TD Toronto Jazz Fest has you covered.

For more information on the TD Toronto Jazz Fest, tickets, and the full schedule visit [torontojazz.com](https://torontojazz.com).

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### **ABOUT TD Toronto Jazz Fest**

Now in its 36<sup>th</sup> year as one of the premiere jazz festivals in North America, the TD Toronto Jazz Festival runs this summer from June 23 – July 2, 2023. From concert halls and countless FREE acts performing in Yorkville, U of T and a main stage on Queen's Park, the Festival offers 10 days of a wide range of music all set with the city of Toronto as its backdrop. Music fans alike can enjoy a variety of genres including Funk, Swing, Hip-Hop, Big Band, Brazilian, Klezmer, R&B and more.

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