

## **Assiniboine Park to Host Family-Friendly Canada Day Celebration**

**For immediate release:** Winnipeg, June 26, 2023 – The Assiniboine Park Conservancy (APC) will host free, family-friendly entertainment and activities at the Park on Canada Day, Saturday, July 1.

“On Canada Day, we are reminded that the true beauty of Canada lies in the togetherness of its diverse people,” said Laura Cabak, Director, Public Relations & Communications, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. “We are inviting the community to join us in the Park for a day of music, sharing, and celebration while also taking time to reflect on how we can work to make Canada a better place for all.”

Canada Day will open with a citizenship ceremony at 10:00 am at the Lyric Theatre. The following events and activities will take place between 11:00 am and 5:00 pm.

- Entertainment at the Lyric Theatre featuring: Son D'Arranke, Cassidy Mann, Richard Inman Band, Madeleine Roger, and JP Hoe.
- Entertainment at the Performance Garden at The Leaf featuring: Andrina Turenne, Slow Leaves, Wackydoodle Dance Party For Kids, Chuck Copenace, and Shay Wolf.
- Fire teachings with Cree Crowchild at the Fire Node at the Indigenous Peoples Garden.
- Makers market presented by Inspiration Market at the Lyric Field.
- Bouncy castles, face painting, and activities for kids at the Lyric Field.
- Beer garden on the patio at The Pavilion presented by Manitoba Liquor Mart.
- Food trucks at the Lyric Field and at the outdoor Gardens at The Leaf.

Parking in Assiniboine Park is limited and can be difficult to find during large events. Guests are encouraged to consider carpooling or using alternate transportation options like public transit or active transportation.

A free park and ride service will be available from the Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) parking lot located at 500 Shaftesbury Blvd. A shuttle will transport visitors from CMU to the Park and back from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm.

Picnic sites cannot be booked on Canada Day and will be available on a first come, first served basis.

The Canada Day Celebration is part of Assiniboine Park's Summer Entertainment Series presented by Casinos of Winnipeg, which has been made possible with support from our sponsors, donors, and the Government of Canada. The full schedule can be found on the [Park website](#).

Please note, there will be no fireworks at Assiniboine Park on Canada Day. There have not been fireworks at the Park on Canada Day since 2017.

**Long weekend hours of operation**

- The Assiniboine Park Zoo is open daily from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
- The Pavilion art galleries are open daily from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
- The Park Café restaurant is open daily from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
- The Leaf is open daily from 9:00 am – 9:00 pm
- Gather Craft Kitchen & Bar is open daily from 11:00 am – 11:00 pm

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*Interviews will not be available on Canada Day, but media are welcome to attend the event and speak to guests at the Park.*