

Popular Savour Shelburne Culture Days event showcasing art, theatre, food & drink

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Savour Shelburne, Shelburne's Culture Days Weekend returns September 28th and 29th, and Chair Lindsay Wegener says the committee is "excited to invite the community to the downtown core for a free event showcasing Shelburne art, theatre, food & drink."

The mandate of Culture Days is to "raise the awareness, accessibility, participation and engagement of Canadians in the arts and cultural life of their communities. With the support of volunteer groups at the national, provincial and local levels, hundreds of thousands of artists, cultural workers, organizations and groups, volunteers and supporters self-mobilize to host free participatory public activities that take place in hundreds of cities and towns throughout the country over the last weekend of September each year."

The Savour Shelburne Committee currently consists of Sharon Grant, Linda Grant, and Lindsay Wegener. Ms. Wegener says, "Some of the newly added activities include an all access behind the stage pass at Grace Tipling Hall." Here she says, patrons and kids can test their acting skills in a mock audition with LP Stage Productions. Also in the Town Hall, guests can witness Jason Riedel create a piece of art in the Art Gallery.

Turn It Out Dance Studio will offer a studio tour with dance demonstrations and Q&A and the library will be hosting activities to encourage youth creativity. Savour Shelburne will also host a short story contest where children can create their "number one best sellers," illustrate them and read them out loud vying to win a prize for first, second, or third place. "Chalk on the Walk" offers children an opportunity to get creative and paint the sidewalks with their art using chalk during the event.

Some of the other business on board and making plans for the event include: Jelly Craft Bakery and Cafe, Being in Balance with Medium Jodi Jones, Beyond the Gate, Robert Allen - Art Studio, and SunRise Diner, with more still to come.

Culture Days was created in response to the growing recognition that "a vibrant arts and cultural sector contributes directly to a healthy and stable society." Savour Shelburne runs Friday September 28th from 5 pm to 9 pm and Saturday, September 29th from 10 am to 2pm. To join in the event or for more information on how you can host an event, an activity, an interactive demonstration, or share your cultural history and arts with our community, email savourshelburne@gmail.com or contact them on Facebook today: facebook.com/savourshelburne