



Kahnawà:ke Tourism Newsletter, August 2022

Tours



Throughout the month of July, Kahnawà:ke Tourism hosted 4 private tours with 11 visitors from Montreal and locals from Kahnawà:ke. We had 16 walk-in visitors to the Welcome Center for our daily tours; 38 visitors booked their visit online. Total number of visitors for the month of July was 65.

Visitor Stats



The staff at the Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center greeted 87 Visitors in July, from near and far. Forty (40) visitors in Canada from Ontario and Quebec, 12 from the USA; Connecticut, Pittsburgh, Florida, Mississippi, and other countries such as; Austria, Cameroon Island, France, Germany, Haiti, Kenya, Netherlands, Peru, Poland and Switzerland.

Tourism Industry Promotions



Starting August 1st, we premiered our promotion of community golf clubs. With 5 attractive courses to choose from, Kahnawà:ke is a hidden gem for golfing enthusiasts looking for 9 or 18 hole courses. Every Wednesday in August, we spotlight an individual club on social media.





Golfers can visit https://kahnawaketourism.com/pages/kahnawake-golf-clubs and get more details.

What to do in Kahnawà:ke

Kahnawà:ke's Welcome Center's friendly staff are always ready to greet and guide visitors that come to Kahnawà:ke to explore our community's culture and history. Each visit is memorable and unique to our visitors. Daily guided tours are offered Monday to Friday of the historic village, and possibly visit Saint Kateri Shrine and the Interpretive Center. The Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawenna Raotitiohkwa Language and Cultural Center Museum is now open to learn about our Kanien'kehá:ka way of life in the past, present and who we are today.

Our community offers many special events focusing on culture, community, health and well-being. The tourism team organizes seasonal events focused on traditional foods: corn, harvest, maple, and strawberry!

Visit Kahnawà:ke to experience unique variety of boutiques, local restaurants, golf courses or our gaming establishments.



Events

Strawberry Food Fest: The Strawberry food fest began on June 25, 2022, lasting through till the end of July 2022. Ten (10) local restaurants and businesses participated in this year's Strawberry Food Fest:



- -<u>Tóta Ma's Café:</u> 6 strawberry themed drinks
- -Roosters Express: Their strawberry salad with maple poppy seed dressing
- -Roses Home Delights: Gluten free strawberry cupcakes, strawberry cake, and strawberry squares
- -Rowy's: Pickled strawberries and strawberry jam
- -Rooted Revival: Strawberry juices and products
- -<u>Purple Dragonfly Trading Post:</u> Strawberry herbal tea, strawberry corn mush, and strawberry products throughout the shop
- -Messy Kitchen: Strawberry juice, and salad
- <u>-Brittany's Cakes & Pies</u> and <u>Dustin's "The Store":</u> Chocolate and vanilla strawberry shortcakes, strawberry cheesecake, strawberry salad, and two options of strawberry juice

Video check-ins with 6 of the participating businesses focused on their specials for the month and where their products were available. Some of these products may be available for the remainder of the summer!

Click here for the photos and videos!

Upcoming Event





Corn Fest: Mark your calendars! Corn Fest is back this year, in collaboration with Maison LePailleur (in Chateauguay). Saturday, September 24, 2022, from 11am to 5pm, at the Kahnawà:ke Sports Complex. The day will be full of activities and local craft & food vendors. Schedule to be available online soon!

To register as a vendor or for more information please email: info@kahnawaketourism.com.



Culture Days

Culture days are coming to Kahnawà:ke! Kahnawà:ke Tourism has registered to participate in culture days "initiated and orchestrated by Culture pour tous, the Journées de la culture are three days of free activities open to all that promote greater

public access to arts and culture" https://www.culturepourtous.ca/professionnels-de-la-culture/les-journees-de-la-culture/. From September 30th to October 2nd, 2022, Kahnawà:ke Tourism will be offering free tours of our prime destinations and attractions.

The Quebec Bridge



August 29, 1907, Story by Dwayne Stacey

"The Quebec bridge is the topic of the day, and I will only relay some stories that have been told about the bridge. In true oral history fashion these stories are not fact but are stories that have been passed down by elders."

1. On August 29, 1907, the workers on the bridge had noticed some of the steel seemed damaged. They also noted that some of the steel seemed to be twisting and creaking. They stopped the work and sent a telegram to the main office to see what to do. The reply was to keep off the bridge until it could be checked. Unfortunately, the message was never received, and someone allowed the men back on the bridge to complete the days work, that's when the bridge came down.

At the time of the bridge collapse most of the people in Kahnawà:ke spoke Kanien'keha and French. After the collapse, the women of Kahnawà:ke told the men that working on big projects with a large number of men was not a good idea. They

asked the men to break up into smaller groups and work on different jobs. To do this the men had to travel from city to city to find work, especially in the U.S. After years of working in the United States, the language in Kahnawà:ke shifted to Kanien'keha and English. At the time of the Bridge collapse the post office was in the stone house across from the office of the Mohawk Council, which dated back to 1718. The post office had the only phone in Kahnawà:ke, the people all gathered outside there to find out who was on the bridge during the collapse.

Full Story Here



Do you have a scary story that you want to share? Well, we want to hear it! Kahnawà:ke Tourism is looking to create a Spooky Tour for the Halloween season. A walking tour around the old village area will be developed focusing on eerie stories; however, all stories are welcome. We will be holding a scary story session at Orville Standup park in Kahnawà:ke, August 17 at 6pm, to share or listen, refreshments will be available. OR send your story to info@kahnawaketourism.com by Friday, September 2nd and it will be added to our Scary Stories database. Your story may be featured in one of our Spooky Tours!





Join our team! We're looking for a dynamic person to fill the role of Interim Tourism Development Agent.

See job posting here

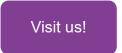
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Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center Business Hours



The Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center is open from Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Our visitor center is located on 1 River Road, Kahnawà:ke QC, J0L1B0



Check out Kahnawà:ke Tourism online!









Click this link to view our Virtual Tours page!



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