



KAHNAWÀ:KE TOURISM?

SWEET RESULTS FOR THIS ANNUAL MAPLE EVENT!

Kahnawà:ke Tourism hosted the 8th Annual Maple Food Fest in March. Visitors and locals alike were welcomed to stop by various 10 participating businesses throughout the community. The Maple Food Fest is a collective event, where the theme of maple and maple culinary creations are promoted throughout the community.

The participating businesses for this year’s event were B & K Liquidation, Haunted Dogs, Kahnawake Brewing Co, Kahnawake Corn Poppers, Kaienthókwén, La Vista Ristorante, Messy Kitchen, Rooted Revival, Tóta Ma’s Café, and Two O Seven Steak and Seafood.



MARCH CONTESTS

Kids get involved in The Maple Food Fest festivities! A coloring contest was initiated this year and was promoted through the Kahnawà:ke Tourism Facebook page. Kids Colouring Contest, for children 12 years or younger, given the option of choosing one of 3 different Maple-themed colouring pages. A total of 36 separate entries were received. Voting began on Monday March 20 on the tourism Facebook page and was open until Friday March 24, 2023. The top three entries with the most likes were declared the winners. Each winning \$20.00 Shop Kahnawà:ke Gift Certificate.

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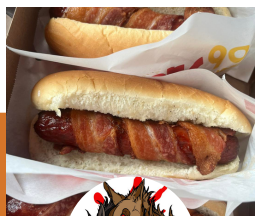
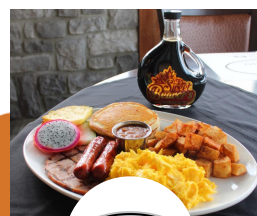


SUCCESSFUL SUGAR SHACK BRUNCH

For the first time Kahnawà:ke Tourism, Kahnawà:ke Survival School & The Rail – Playground brought to the community a Sugar Shack Brunch Fundraiser during the Maple Food Fest. This collaboration allowed for the first fundraising event where the students and the school showcased the opening of their new Sugar Shack. A total of 256 people attended and enjoyed a delicious brunch that helped raise \$3,964.00 for the student’s extracurricular activities.



We would like to thank all who were involved in planning and organizing this event and special thanks to The Rail Coal Fire Bistro – Playground for sponsoring the meal, cooking and serving.



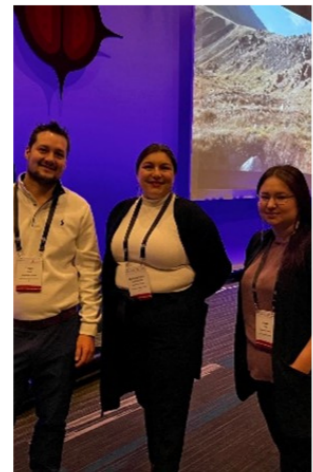
Click the logo to watch a Maple Food Fest video!

MAPLE FOOD FEST VIDEOS

KIMBERLY CROSS, INVITED AS A PANELIST AT THE INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS TOURISM CONFERENCE

Kimberly Cross, presented “What’s Your Story” as a panelist during the International Indigenous Tourism Conference held in Winnipeg from March 8-10, 2023. Currently Kimberly is on leave from her job as Tourism Development Manager; she studies intensive Kanienkeha Language training, she made time to represent Kahnawà:ke Tourism. The conference was educational and informative and awe inspiring as people were able to see amazing artwork and meet artisans from across Turtle Island. The event showcased some great indigenous chefs from both Canada and the U.S.

The conference was very well attended as they had the most delegates this year compared to previous years, well over 1000. Many different First Nations were present to witness spectacular performances as well as extremely enlightening speeches such as one given by the Honorable Murray Sinclair. The Kahnawà:ke Tourism team were represented by Kimberly Cross, Trevor Diabo, Interim Tourism Development Agent, and Jordan Diabo, Tours and Events Coordinator. The team is excited to attend next years conference, to be held in Ottawa 2024!



TOURISM MONTEREGIE & QUEBEC INDIGENOUS TOURISM TRAVEL TRADE 5 Á 7

Kahnawà:ke Tourism attended the TAQ (Tourisme Autochtone Québec) 5 á 7 at La Maison Amerindienne in Mont-Saint Hilaire, Quebec on Tuesday, March 21, 2023. The event brought together tourism organizations throughout the province for networking and sharing First Nation’s stories about maple

season in our cultures. Chef Ryland Diome was a special guest preparing delicious hors d'oeuvres for the event amongst other First Nations chefs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CULTURAL AWARENESS MONTH TOURS

Free noon hour tours every Thursday throughout the month of April. Join Kahnawà:ke Tourism as we participate in Cultural Awareness month with a free guided tour every Thursday from 12h00-13h00.

Reserve in advance, limited spots available!

[CLICK HERE TO RESERVE](#)

KAHNAWÀ:KE WELCOME CENTER

WELCOME CENTER VISITORS

This month we welcomed a total of 157 visitors who took guided tours in the community and dined in local restaurants.

We welcomed eight tour groups with four groups from Education First Tours (EF). The groups were visiting from the United States and Canada. Students took a Tour of Kahnawà:ke or chose a Lacrosse workshop at the Kahnawà:ke Youth Center. The groups then dined at the Kahnawà:ke Brewing Co. for dinner before heading to their next destination.

Tourism also welcomed two other student groups from Crofton House and Hampshire College, where they took a tour of Kahnawà:ke, Kateri Interpretive Center and the Language and Cultural Center. One corporate group took a tour of Kahnawà:ke and the Language and Cultural Center.

TOUR OF THE HISTORIC VILLAGE

April 6th & 20th at Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center

(1 River Road Kahnawà:ke, QC J0L1B0)

TOUR OF THE MUSEUM

April 13th & 27th meet at the Language and Cultural Center

(2006 Old Malone HWY, Kahnawà:ke Qc J0L1B0)

Tourism hosted a Familiarization Tour with our partners from Indigenous Tourism Quebec. They took a tour of the Language & Cultural Center, Kahnawà:ke, visited the Purple Dragonfly Trading Post and dined at the Two O Seven Steak and Seafood.

In March, a total of 18 visitors, stopped by the Welcome Center for information. They were visiting from Canada, the United States, Israel, and France.



PLACES TO VISIT IN KAHNAWÀ-KE

THE CRYSTAL CONNECTION



The Crystal Connection, a holistic and alternative health service owned by Arlie Goodleaf, began full time operation in February of 2017. They offer Crystal healing/therapy which is an alternative healing technique that employs the use of crystals. Throughout the first year of operation The Crystal Connection did not have a permanent store front, often selling her products at craft fairs, Powwows, and other temporary locations. With dedication and persistence, Arlie saw the popularity of her business continue to grow and after the first year of operation she was able to secure a permanent store front location. The Crystal Connection is now located on Mohawk Beach Road.

The Crystal Connection offers a variety of healing stones, home décor, jewelry, meditation, and chakra tools. These products may aid you holistically with relieving anxiety and stress, grounding, calmness, and relaxation, and may be a tool for enhancing your meditation.

Something that The Crystal Connection offers is a monthly Treasure Chest special for \$49, that includes an assortment of unique, carefully selected items to aid your wellbeing, a description of each item is also included inside. The contents contained inside of the Treasure Chest change every month and are valued at \$85+.



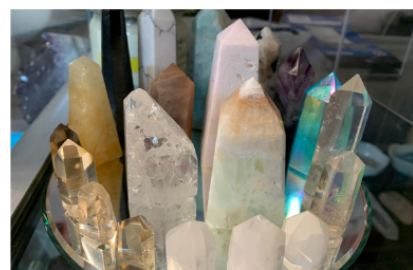
The Crystal Connection is open Thursday to Saturday from 10:00am to 5:00pm.





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April	May	June	July	August
FREE noon hour guided tours 6, 13, 20, 27 <i>Cultural Awareness Month</i> Spring Craft Fair <i>Kateri Memorial Foundation</i>	K-Town Collectables Expo 	Daily guided tours Indigenous Block Party Pride Parade Wendake Pow Wow	Strawberry Food Fest <i>All month long</i> Echoes of a Proud Nation Pow-Wow - 8 & 9 Odanak Pow Wow Strawberry Food Fest Event	Comedy Night Green Corn Fest Kanesatake Pow Wow
September	October	November	December	Updated: April 5, 2023  <i>Tourisme Kahnawà:ke Tourism</i>
Akwesasne Powwow Back to School Carnival Concordia Pow Wow McGill Pow Wow	Harvest Food Fest Fall Fest Mohawk Miles Haunted House <i>Kahnawà:ke Youth Center</i> James Day Haunted Woods Art Exhibit KOR	Spirit of Wellness Month Winter Wonderland Remembrance Day Parade Holiday parade Holiday Train	Christmas Craft Fair	

UPCOMING IN MAY




KAHNAWÀ:KE WELCOME CENTER HOURS

HOURS	
MON	8:30AM - 4:00PM
TUES	8:30AM - 4:00PM
WED	8:30AM - 4:00PM
THU	8:30AM - 4:00PM
FRI	8:30AM - 4:00PM

SAT & SUN	CLOSED



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.

CLICK HERE TO BOOK A TOUR!

SHOP KAHNAWÀ:KE

Shop Kahnawà:ke Gift Certificates are now available for purchase at the Welcome Center! Kahnawà:ke has a vibrant business community, we invite you to visit us and Shop Kahnawà:ke today! Visit the Shop Kahnawà:ke Facebook page and website for more information. Certificates can be redeemed at 100+ business locations in Kahnawà:ke.



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