

# KAHNAWA: KE TOURISM?

#### **STRAWBERRY FEST**

Come and be a part of the Strawberry Fest on Sunday, June 30th from 10 AM to 5 PM at the Kahnawà:ke Sports Complex in the green space! Enjoy a variety of activities suitable for the entire family, including face painting, strawberry rhubarb pie and strawberry jam competitions, food and craft vendors, and many other exciting events! It promises to be a delightful day filled with everything related to strawberries.



Daily Tours \_\_\_\_\_5







#### **EVENTS RECAP**

#### **Fashion Show**

For the month of May we started off with the Fashion Show. The name of the event was Kahnawà:ke Fashion Show Exhibition on May 4th, put on by She holds the Sky designs by Karonhienhawe Diabo. It was held at KSS, and doors opened at 6pm. It was a beautiful show with several age groups participating in the event. They started with the tiny tots showcasing the various artists from across turtle island.

There was several beautiful pieces from Turtle clan creations, Marquis Styles, Iakorihwatoken Hemlock designs, Cheyenne Issac, Honey Bird designs, Matsheshu creations, Ever green designs to name a few. The night was a success, and they also had a guest performance by young up and coming Seneca nation group 438 that got the group dancing in their seats.

#### **Rendez-vous Canada Conference**

Jordan, Office Manager & Tours Coordinator, and Bronwyn, Events Coordinator, traveled to Edmonton to participate in the 2024 Rendez-vous Canada conference from May 13th to 18th. Throughout the week, they engaged in numerous networking opportunities and exchanged insights about working in the tourism industry on a reserve with fellow attendees. The experience was incredibly valuable, enabling the team to establish several connections for potential future collaborations. They also observed significant Indigenous representation both at the airport and throughout the city.







#### **Fête Culturelle**

Kahnawà:ke Tourism team members headed to St-Constant to attend the Fête Culturell. The event drew a great crowd with food and craft vendors from various nations that have settled in the south shore area. The day was filled with music and cultural interactions for all attendees. Many individuals expressed interest

in visiting Kahnawà:ke, and we provided them with maps showcasing local restaurants and shopping options. We also educated many about our history and the enduring relationship with Canada. Overall, it was a successful day for Kahnawà:ke Tourism.



Eat, Shop, & Play!

Explore our website to uncover a variety of local restaurants, bakeries, retail stores, and more in Kahnawà:ke!









### Patton's Glen

Par 3 Golf in Kahnawà:ke! All the perks of a standard course (except the 1 long shot) water hazards & sand traps, bunkers, contoured grass greens – challenging & great iron's workout. You won't be disappointed & won't find a better value.



Route 207, Kahnawà:ke, QC JOL 1B0

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# MAY TOURS

With the beautiful weather gracing us this May Kahnawà:ke Tourism welcomed 7 guided group tours throughout the community, visiting key destinations, boutiques and restaurants. In total the Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center provided tours to 166 visitors throughout the month of May.

On May 1st, Kahnawà:ke welcomed 40 older adults from the Eva Marsden Center for Social Justice & Aging. This outgoing group of older adults enjoyed a walking/bus tour of Kahnawà:ke learning the history of our community while also learning of its people and way of life. The group also took the opportunity to visit the Language and Cultural Center Museum, where they learned about the culture and the Haudenosaunee Confederacy.

May 7th, Kahnawà:ke Tourism had the opportunity to provide a free tour to our sixth graders from Karonhianonha where they enjoyed a walking experience throughout the old village area before making the walk on the bike path towards the Quebec Bridge Monument where they then departed to head back to their School.

May 10th, Kahnawà:ke Tourism hosted their Annual Tour Guide Training session with our tour guides, partners and interested parties who were interested in becoming a tour guide. The training session started with the tour of Kahnawà:ke where the seasoned tour guides discussed possible discussion points guides can use throughout their tour. From there the group continued with discussions of the tour of Saint Francis Xavier mission where they also enjoyed a catered lunch from Messy Kitchen in the Tea Room. The group then headed to the Language and Cultural Center where they continued with the training. From there, we introduced a new tour option with Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection with the tour of the Bay. This portion of the training was hosted by KEPO's own Cole Delisle who guided our tour guides and provided a document to our tour guides to be able to provide the tours on KEPO's behalf.

May 17th, Kahnawà:ke welcomed 35 visitors from the Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative where they took a tour of the historic village area and then went on an environment tour of the restoration bay with KEPO.

May 24th, Tourism welcomed Kahnawà:ke's very own The Eastern Door/ Sharing Our Stories. The 11 staff enjoyed an outdoor walking tour of Kahnawà:ke's historic village area before heading indoors for the tour of Saint Francis Xavier Mission and Kateri Shrine.

May 28th, Kahnawà:ke Tourism had the opportunity to welcome the Blackfoot Confederacy at the Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center. The group of 20 visitors enjoyed a 2-hour experience with the tour of Kahnawà:ke and the tour of the Language and Cultural Center.

May 29th, on behalf of the Kahnawà:ke Peacekeepers, Kahnawà:ke Tourism had the opportunity to provide a guided tour of the Tsuutine Police. The Tsuutine Police embarked on the walking tour of Kahnawà:ke before heading indoors for the tour of Saint Francis Xavier Mission where they then enjoyed a delicious lunch at Robbie's Smokehouse. Saint Francis Xavier Mission also had their own tours throughout the month of May with 5 tours to the shrine on May 1st, 8th, 20th, 23rd and 28th.

#### **MAY VISITORS**

In May 2024, there has been a rise in visitors compared to the past two years. The Welcome Center welcomed 108 visitors last month from Canada, France, the United States, Mexico, Germany,

Italy, Greece, the United Kingdom, and Switzerland!



#### **Echoes of a Proud Nation Pow Wow**

Don't miss out on the upcoming 32nd annual Pow Wow on July 13th and 14th! Secure your tickets online for quick and convenient entry at kahnawakepowwow.com

#### Admission:

General	\$10.00
Seniors 65+	. \$5.00
5 & Under	Free





#### **Explore our Reels**

The Quebec Bridge Memorial reel highlights the bridge's history. Check out our Instagram at Kahnawake Tourism to watch.

Check out the reel for the St. Francis Xavier Mission. It is for all the history buffs that love exploring new places!

#### <u>CLICK HERE TO WATCH</u>

Kahnawaketourism.com/museums-and-attractions

### **Daily Guided Tours**

Take advantage of our daily guided tours of Kahnawà:ke and The Language and Cultural Center!

#### **Schedule:**

Monday | Wednesday | Friday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Tour of Kahnawà:ke

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Tour of The Language and Cultural Center

Tuesday | Thursday

**10:30 AM - 11:30 AM**Tour of The Language and Cultural Center

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Tour of Kahnawà:ke

Our part-time tour guides, Dwayne Stacey and Harley Delaronde, are eager to lead your tour.



The Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center is open from Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:00pm. We are NOW open on weekends from 9 am to 3 pm. Our visitor center is located on 1 River Road, Kahnawà:ke QC, J0L1B0.

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## SHOP KAHNAWA:KE

Shop Kahnawà:ke Gift Certificates are now available for purchase at the Welcome Center! Gift certificates can be given as a gift for that special occasion and can be redeemed in over 100 business locations in Kahnawà:ke. Visit the Shop Kahnawà:ke Facebook page and website for more information.



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