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KINGSTON BUSKERS RENDEZVOUS NEXT WEEK!

What started as a fun addition to Downtown Kingston's July Sidewalk Sale is now in its 21st year and is known as one of the preeminent festivals of its kind in Canada. This year's event, presented by *The Kingston Whig-Standard*, runs from July 9 – 12. A great mix of new, returning and original buskers will delight audiences of all ages: The Pogodudes, The Dan Show, The English Gents and recent 'Sweden's Got Talent' winner, Charlie Caper to name just a few.

For details on every minute of this year's Kingston Buskers Rendezvous please visit our website ww.kingstonbuskers.com. For locations of individual buskers check our daily schedule in *The Kingston Whig-Standard* starting Thursday, July 9th or visit the Information Booth in Confederation Park.

Highlights of the 21st Edition of the Kingston Buskers Rendezvous:

Special Events

Daily:

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday: 11am to 6pm

Daytime dazzlers - Buskers performing for you on the streets and street corners all over Downtown Kingston!

Busker Play - Especially for children

Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 11am to 1pm on the lawn at St. Andrew's Church

Princess Street Performances

Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 1pm to 3pm

Princess Street road closure between Bagot & Wellington Streets. Don't miss these traffic stoppin' Busker performances!



Ontario Street & Market Square Performances

Thursday & Friday- 6pm to 10pm

Saturday - 3pm to 10pm

Sunday - 11am to 6pm

Ontario Street will be closed between Johnson and Brock Streets to make room for dozens of performances featuring spectacular displays of sight and sound! Springer Market Square performances begin at 6pm.

“Grand Giggles”- Indoor matinee!

Memorial Hall, City Hall

Friday July 10 - 2pm

Get your tickets now for this sure-to-sell-out indoor theatre matinee performance. Guaranteed seats! Guaranteed climate! Guaranteed fun! A limited number of tickets are available – on sale now at The Rocking Horse, 160 Princess Street, \$8 adults/\$6 children

Fire Show - HOT, HOT, HOT!

Saturday July 11 - 10pm

Princess Street between Division and Barrie (The Hub) will be the site of this fiery red-hot display of busking talent. The Fire Show is not to be missed! Presented by The Hub

Kid’s Tent

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday - 1pm to 6pm

Located in Confederation Park, this is where you’ll find four full days worth of wildly entertaining children’s performers, programming and workshops suitable for kids of all ages!

And don’t miss the Jester Hat Workshops by The Rocking Horse in the Kid’s Tent daily 1-3 pm

It’s free – come and be part of the Festival fun and make your very own busker hat!

Thursday only – a loonie to a local charity for your jester hat

and... The Grand Finale!

Sunday July 12 - 6pm

Make your way to Confederation Park stage for the Buskers Grand Finale. It’s a true sampling of the festival’s fun and talent! Presented by The Kingston Whig-Standard. Proceeds from the “hat” will benefit the United Way’s “Success by Six” program.

Details, photos and performer information can be found on our website

www.kingstonbuskers.com

The Official Busker Information Booth is located onsite, immediately beside the Tourism Information Office, 209 Ontario Street. Hours of operation are 11am to 10pm. Souvenir merchandise will also be available.

Kingston Buskers Rendezvous, organized by Downtown Kingston! BIA and is proudly presented by The Kingston Whig-Standard and sponsored by Pepsi, StarTek, The Hub, Tyroute Communications- Telus Authorized Dealer, K-Rock 105.7. Discount Car and Truck Rental is the Official Vehicle Sponsor and Buskers Headquarters is sponsored by The Springer Group.

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