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BLURRING THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN ART AND SCIENCE

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FESTIVAL HEADQUARTERS:

INNIS TOWN HALL
University of Toronto Campus
2 Sussex Avenue
Toronto ON, M5S 1J5

INNIS TOWN HALL is located within Innis College on the University of Toronto's downtown campus, at the NW corner of St. George Street and Sussex Avenue, just south of Bloor Street (a five-minute walk from the nearest subway stop, St. George Station): www.utoronto.ca/townhall

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TRAVEL:

AIR:

PEARSON AIRPORT

3111 Convair Drive
Mississauga, ON, L5P 1B2

Pearson Airport is located about 27 kilometers (17 mi) west of downtown Toronto by road.

- Taxi service to downtown Toronto costs approximately \$44.00 Cdn.
- Airport Express: Motor-coach link between Pearson Airport and downtown Toronto. Departures every 20-30 minutes to and from nine downtown locations. Call 1-800-387-6787 (toll free in Canada) or 905-564-3232 for information. Cost: \$15.25: www.torontoairportexpress.com
- Bus services connecting Toronto to Pearson Airport include Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) routes; The 192 Airport Rocket route provides all-day accessible express bus service between Kipling Station on the Bloor-Danforth Subway Line and Pearson Airport. The following two routes are available between the (approximate) hours of 6:00 am and 2:00 am daily. www.ttc.com

Note: Upon departure from Toronto, travellers should be prepared to pay an AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT FEE before boarding the aircraft (departing: \$20.00 Cdn; connecting: \$8.00 Cdn.)

AUTOMOBILE:

Automobile Rental:

Avis: 800-331-1212: www.avis.com

Budget: 800-527-0700: www.drivebudget.com

Hertz: 800-654-3131: www.hertz.com

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Thrifty: 800-331-4200: www.thifty.com

Downtown streets are laid out in a grid. Main streets (University, Bay, Yonge, Jarvis and Sherbourne) run north south, while others (King, Queen, Dundas, College/Carlton, Wellesley and Bloor) run east west. Yonge Street is the dividing line between the east and the west sides of the city. Lake Ontario lies south.

TRAIN:

VIA Rail
Union Station
65 Front Street West
Toronto (Ontario), M5J 1E7

Canada's National passenger service, VIA rail operates out of Union Station in Downtown Toronto.

Information and reservations:

From anywhere in Canada, call toll-free: 1 888 VIA-RAIL (1 888 842-7245)

From Montréal: (514) 989-2626

From Moncton: (506) 857-9830

From the United States:

Please contact your travel agency or call 1 888 VIA-RAIL (1 888 842-7245)

For information on Amtrak trains from Canada, visit the Amtrak web site or call 1 800 USA-RAIL (1 800 872-7245): www.viarail.ca

BUS:

GREYHOUND Coach Terminal
610 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M5G1M5

Main: 416-594-1010

Customer Service: 416-594-1010

www.greyhound.ca

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ACCOMODATIONS:

EXPEDIA.CA: find what you are looking for: www.expedia.ca

Search all available Toronto Hotels within your budget. *

*CLICK 'NEAR AN ATTACTION' and enter 'UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO' for the closest available options (within walking distance) to Innis Town Hall.

Narrow your search further with specific requests (i.e. high-speed Internet access).

OTHER LISTINGS:

For a minimum of four nights: www.torontores.com/rates.html#shortWEEKLY.

Additional accommodations at the university can be found at

<http://link.library.utoronto.ca/StudentHousing>

Limited Billeting Facilities are available upon request: F. Scott Taylor: 416-656-6187
scott@subtletechnologies.com.

Tourism Toronto: 416-203-2500 or 800-363-1990: www.tourismtoronto.com.

Bed & Breakfast Homes of Toronto: 416-363-6362: www.bbht.ca

Bed & Breakfast Metropolitan Registry of Toronto: 416-964-2566.

MAJOR HOTEL & MOTEL CHAINS:

Best Western: 800-780-7234: www.bestwestern.com

Days Inn: 800-329-7466: www.daysinn.com

Delta Hotels: 800-874-2000: www.deltahotels.com

Fairmont: 1-800-257-7544: www.fairmont.com

Four Seasons: (1 800) 819-5053: www.fourseasons.com

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Hilton: 1-800-HILTONS: www.hilton.com

Holiday Inn: 1-888-HOLIDAY: www.holiday-inn.com

Marriott: 888-236-2427: www.marriott.com

Radisson Inn: (888) 201-1718: www.radisson.com

Ramada Inn: 800-854-7854: www.ramadainn.com

Sheraton: 800-325-3535: www.sheraton.com

Westin: 800-228-3000: www.westin.com

UNIQUE:

Windsor Arms: 18 St. Thomas St. 416-971-9666: www.windsorarmshotel.com (over \$300.00): the preferred celebrity hotel.

Cawthra Square: 10 Cawthra Square, 512 Jarvis St. and 111 Gloucester Square. 416-966-3074: www.sleepwithfriends.com (\$125-200.00): a fantastic B&B close to the gay Church Street community.

Robin's Nest Bed & Breakfast: 13 Binscarth Rd. 416-926-9464: www.robinsnestbb.com (\$125-200.00): an upscale historic house in Rosedale close to downtown Toronto.

The Residence College Hotel: 90 Gerrard St. W. 416-351-1010: www.theresidence.net (\$75-125.00): a former nurses' residence adjacent to Toronto Hospital.

The Gladstone Hotel: 1214 Queen St. W. 416-531-4635: www.gladstonehotel.com (\$175-195): 37 artist-designed hotel rooms and suites for a unique experience.

The Drake Hotel: 1150 Queen St. W. 416.531.5042: www.thedrakehotel.ca/home.asp (Prices start at \$200): refurbished century old hotel into a cultural community centre in the heart of the West Queen West Art + Design District.

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DINING:

Canoe: 66 Wellington St. W. 416-364-0054: www.oliverbonacini.com (over \$50.00): the supreme haute Canadiana restaurant in Toronto featuring Alberta red deer loin, roast Arctic char *et cetera, et cetera, et cetera*.

Splendido: 88 Harbord St. 416-929-7788: www.splendidoonline.com (over \$50.00): an Annex neighbourhood restaurant with Mediterranean accents offering Ontario green asparagus soup with Dungeness crab, Alberta beef steak tartar, and seared Alaskan Halibut Provencale.

Sassafraz: 100 Cumberland St. 416-964-2222: www.cafesassafraz.com (\$35-50.00): a staple Toronto Film Festival Yorkville trend spot for constant celebrity sightings; suggested: purple-rice-cruste Atlantic salmon with chipotle beurre blanc or medallion of veal tenderloin with white-truffle-scented potato gratin; jazz on the weekends.

Ferro: 769 St. Clair Ave. W. 416-654-9119 (\$30-40.00): think antipasti, insalate, suppe, thin Roman pizzas, Panini and Italian seafood entrees; worth the trip.

Rodney's Oyster House: 469 King St. W. 416-363-8105 (\$20-30.00): usually an hour's wait without a reservation; try the fresh Malpeque oysters with condiments and homemade pepper sauces.

Agora: Art Gallery of Ontario: 317 Dundas St. W. Sat & Sun 11AM-2:30PM (\$20-30.00); arty brunch in the Atrium of the gallery.

Irish Embassy Pub & Grill: 49 Yonge St. 416-866-8282 Sat & Sun 11AM-3PM: www.irishembassypub.com (less than \$20); a full Irish breakfast including pub fare like Irish stew and Kilkenny ale-battered halibut.

Lee Garden: 331 Spadina Ave. 416-593-9524 (cost varies): get ready to line-up for in-your-face service and smoked chicken coated with honey and sesame seeds or yang chow-style grains tossed with pork, shrimp and onion!

Happy Seven: 358 Spadina Ave. 416-971-9820 (cost varies): typical bio-luminous Buddha, day-glow fish tanks and neon Chinese characters, but the deep fried tofu, jumbo shrimp, and satay beef is great with green tea!

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Shopsy's: 33 Yonge St. 416-365-3333 (less than \$20): best hot-dog!

Utopia: 586 College St. 416-5334-7751 (starving students' rates): best burger!

The Drake Hotel: 1150 Queen St. W. 416-531-5042 (kool tek-art rates): another great burger!

VEGETARIAN:

Vegetarian Haven: 17 Baldwin St. 416-621-3636: www.vegetarianhaven.com.

Annapurna: 1085 Bathurst St. (at Dupont) 416-537-8513 (cost varies): www.annapurna.ws: Toronto's oldest vegetarian cuisine establishment.

Fressen: 478 Queen St. W. (w. of Spadina) 416-5045127 (expensive): www.fressenrestaurant.com: vegetarian gourmet eating for dinner only; starters include spinach blini with warm avocado salsa, sprouted quinoa tabouli and arugula in a cranberry dressing with seared tempeh.

For a complete listing of Vegetarian Restaurants consult: www.veg.ca/directory/vegrest.html#central.

SITES:

CN Tower: Front & John Sts. 416-868-6937 (\$18.99): 180 stories high, 553m/1,815f. high: worth the effort battling tourists *et al.* for the magnificent view.

Royal Ontario Museum: 100 Queen's Park (Avenue Road & Bloor St.) 416-586-8000 www.rom.on.ca (\$10.00): especially known for its splendid East Asian collections.

Art Gallery of Ontario: 317 Dundas St. W. 416-979-6649 www.ago.net (\$12.00): see the marvellous Henry Moore Collection as well as major Canadian painters.

Bata Shoe Museum: 327 Bloor St. 416-979-7799 www.batashoemuseum.ca (\$6.00): www/batashoemuseum.ca: an extraordinary collection of historic and ethnic shoes.

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Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art: 111 Queen's Park 416-586-8080
www.gardinermuseum.on.ca (\$10.00): pottery works from the pre-Columbian to 18th-century French porcelain.

The Distillery Historic District: 55 Mill St. at Parliament St. 416-364-1177
www.thedistillerydistrict.com: the largest and best-preserved collection of Victorian Industrial architecture in North America with forty-four buildings housing world-class art glass and the best coffee-house in Toronto, Balzac's.

Toronto Islands: Offshore; south of Queen's Quay E. Island, ferries depart from downtown Toronto at the foot of Bay St.; a relaxing and excellent way to survey the Toronto skyline and to hike along the beaches of Lake Ontario.

Yorkville: Yorkville Ave. between Yonge St. and Avenue Road; shop at Hazelton Lanes for the posh, the chic and the culturally supersaturated in what was once a haven for hippies, pushers and protest songsters.

Kensington Market: Kensington Ave., west of Spadina Ave. and north of Dundas St.; the famous Jewish marketplace now turned flamenco and calypso.

FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:

NOW Magazine

www.nowtoronto.com

On newspaper stands everywhere. Lists everything from live music to art openings/exhibits, clubs, movies, theatre and more (weekly).

EYE WEEKLY

www.eye.net

Alternative Toronto news and entertainment. Includes columns and listings.

Xtra

www.xtra.ca

Also available on newsstands. Guide to the gay and lesbian community; published bi-weekly. Includes columns and listings.