

Inaugural Christkinderfest for Kids

Happening during Christkindl Market Weekend

Free Admission

November 16, 2023 – KITCHENER, ON – Be Bavarian with us this holiday season! <u>Kitchener-Waterloo</u> <u>Oktoberfest</u> is pleased to announce the inaugural <u>Christkinderfest</u>.

Inspired by Kitchener's popular <u>Christkindl Market</u>, happening this year between December 7 – 10, Christkinderfest invites kids and their families to experience the joys of Bavarian holiday traditions.

Date: Saturday, December 9, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Venue: THEMUSEUM, 10 King Street West, Kitchener

Entertainment: Thunderstorm Productions, Erik Traplin, Bavarian performances (dancing and music)

Activities: "Oh Tannenbaum" crafts, wooden tree ornaments, face painting, stories and songs with Ana and Elsa, photobooth, treats and more!

Tickets: Admission is FREE and <u>REGISTRATION</u> is required

Many thanks to Christkinderfest Partners: <u>Deloitte</u>, <u>Tim Hortons</u> and the <u>businesses of Downtown</u> <u>Kitchener</u>.

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About Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest

The first Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest was celebrated in 1969 at Concordia Club in Kitchener, organized by a group of dedicated founders. The keg was tapped and history was made. Since then, Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest has developed its own traditions, becoming one of the largest Bavarian festivals outside of Germany. Hundreds of thousands of visitors celebrate annually in our Festhallen, at local restaurants and by attending one of our several family and cultural events, including the annual Willkommen Platz and the Thanksgiving Day Parade. More than just biergartens, Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest is committed to supporting the cultural, economic and social vitality of Waterloo Region, bringing millions of dollars in economic benefit to the region each year. Through the Oktoberfest Cares initiative, the festival supports local charities and other not-for-profit organizations, partners with over 50 local hospitality businesses, and raises funds to donate meals to the Waterloo Region Food Bank through the Onkel Hans Food Drive. For more information visit oktoberfest.ca.

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