



**RECREATION AND CULTURE
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MEMORANDUM**

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TO: MAYOR A. NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES, EXT. 4352

NOTED: D. MCALPINE, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES

M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

RE: MARCH CALENDAR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2024

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update concerning key programming, rentals, and special event activities taking place during the month of March. The calendar in Appendix 'A' represents a summary of larger planned events taking place throughout our many recreation and cultural venues next month.

The Five Points and Georgian theatres host a selection of productions by local theatre groups including the final two performances of "First Metis Man of Odesa" by Talk is Free Theatre and musical performances such as GoldiRocks, Floydium, and Lennon Live. Several dance competitions take place in both theatres during the month. More information on these shows plus ticket purchases is available at [TicketPro](#).

Sadlon Arena will host 6 Barrie Colts games as the Colts continue battling for a playoff berth. On March 3rd, Colts players will excite young fans by participating in the annual Colt for the Day event. The Colts will also host March Break hockey camps at Sadlon Arena from the 13th to the 15th. Finally, the Harlem Globetrotters will bring exciting family entertainment to Barrie on March 18th with their usual style of fun-filled basketball play.

Hockey Helps the Homeless will be held on February 29th and March 1st with a Thursday evening event at Southshore Centre followed by hockey games played on Friday at Peggy Hill Team Community Centre. Details can be found at [2024 Hockey Helps the Homeless](#).

March will also feature several special events including Barrie Police Services' Polar Plunge in support of Special Olympics, Easter-themed vendor markets, two events at Southshore Community Centre celebrating Persian cultural heritage, and a march in the downtown area in support of International Women's Day.

And don't forget the time change at 2:00AM on March 10th when clocks are moved forward an hour to Daylight Savings Time.



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APPENDIX "A"

MONTH of MARCH		
SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS		
March	Sunnidale Park	<i>Nature in Winter</i> by City of Barrie Parks March 2, 5, 7, 12, 13, & 15
Mar 2	Centennial Beach	<i>Polar Plunge</i> for Special Olympics by Barrie Police Services
Mar 8	City Hall & Downtown Streets	<i>International Women's Day March</i> by the Women & Children's Shelter of Barrie
Mar 9	ARC Main Hall	Eggciting Easter Market with vendors, Easter egg hunt, & more
Mar 9	Southshore CC	Wheels for Wellness - Rotary Fundraiser for RVH Hearts & Minds and Georgian Centre for Health & Wellness
Mar 16	Southshore CC	<i>Nowruz Gala</i> hosted by the Iranians of Barrie Group - a vibrant celebration that honours the rich cultural heritage of the Persian Community
Mar 17	Southshore CC	Bunny Tails and Treat Vendor Market
Mar 23	ARC Main Hall	Clay Creatively Artisan Market with an Easter theme
Mar 23	Southshore CC	<i>Nowruz Gala</i> hosted by the Barrie Persian Association - a vibrant celebration that honours the rich cultural heritage of the Persian Community
Mar 24	Southshore CC	Springwater Jehovah Witness - Commemorating the Death of Jesus Christ Event
55+ ACTIVITIES		
Mar 7	Parkview CC	Lunch and Learn - Navigating Services for Seniors
Mar 11	Allandale Rec Centre	UNSYNCABLE - THE MOVIE
Mar 25	Southshore CC	Annual General Meeting of the 55+ Centre members
Mar 28	Allandale Rec Centre	"Spring is in the Air" Luncheon



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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY or EVENT
AT THE THEATRE		
Mar 1-2	Five Points Theatre	<i>"First Metis Man of Odesa"</i> presented by Talk Is Free Theatre
Mar 1	Georgian Theatre	<i>"Jersey Nights"</i> presented by Beach Towel Communications
Mar 3	Georgian Theatre	<i>Competitive Dance Recital</i> presented by Elite Danceworks
Mar 6	Five Points Theatre	<i>Competitive Dance Recital</i> presented by LA Dance Design
Mar 6	Georgian Theatre	<i>"GoldiRocks"</i> presented by Education Arts
Mar 15	Five Points Theatre	<i>"Floydium"</i> presented by Beach Towel Communications
Mar 16	Georgian Theatre	<i>"Lennon.Live: Love is Real"</i> presented by Mac Live Music
Mar 22	Georgian Theatre	Snowed In Comedy Tour
Mar 23	Georgian Theatre	Centre Stage Dance Challenge
Mar 23	Five Points Theatre	<i>Competitive Dance Recital</i> presented by Titanium Arts Dance
IN THE ARENA		
March	Sadlon Arena	Barrie Colts Home Games, Mar. 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 23
Mar 1	Peggy Hill Team CC	Hockey Helps the Homeless
Mar 3	Sadlon Arena	Colt for the Day sponsored by the Kempenfelt Rotary Club
Mar 13-15	Sadlon Arena	Barrie Colts March Break Camp (ages 7-9 & 10-12)
Mar 18	Sadlon Arena	Harlem Globetrotters
Mar 22-24	Allandale Rec Centre East Bayfield CC Peggy Hill CC	Barrie Minor Hockey Select Tournament
IN THE POOL		
Mar 1-3	East Bayfield CC	Barrie Trojan Swim Meet
IN THE GYM		
Mar 11-15	East Bayfield CC Peggy Hill Team CC	March Break Camps
Mar 30-31	Peggy Hill Team CC	Barrie Royals Basketball Tournament