



Arts and Culture

Toronto has more museums than you can imagine - everything from shoes to sugar and ceramic art to textiles and television. Here are some facts on the city's dynamic arts and culture scene:

- There are 125 museums and public archives in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Nine of these are Toronto City museums.
- There are over 50 ballet and dance companies, six opera companies and two symphony orchestras.
- 200 pieces of public art and monuments add to Toronto's landscape in addition to the over 2,000 moveable works of fine art on display in public buildings such as City Hall and the civic centres.
- Toronto has the largest number of art schools of any North American city.
- Toronto is home to Canada's only college diploma program in comedy. Shtick is a compulsory subject.
- Millions attend Toronto's three biggest annual parades: Gay Pride, Caribana and Santa Claus parades.
- More than one million visitors sample the Greek cuisine of Danforth Avenue every year at the Taste of the Danforth festival.
- There are more than 1,000 festivals and events in Toronto year round.
- Toronto is recognized as the third-largest theatre centre in the English-speaking world, after New York and London with over 90 venues in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA).
- On any given day, there are up to 40 productions filming in Toronto.
- Considered "Hollywood North" by the film industry, Toronto is 3rd in TV and film production and 2nd as exporter of TV programming in North America.
- The film industry supports 28,000 jobs in Toronto and annually contributes \$1.5 billion to the economy.
- Toronto has 79 ethnic publications, several radio stations broadcasting in a variety of languages and one multicultural television station.
- Toronto has more print, radio, and television outlets than any other city in North America.

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