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**WELLAND CELEBRATES CANADA DAY WITH CITIES ACROSS CANADA**

**Welland, ON** - The City of Welland is joining Niagara, and other cities across the nation, to celebrate a virtual Canada Day party for all ages. Although the city's Canada Day Celebrations signature event at Merritt Park is cancelled due to COVID-19, Niagara residents can unite and celebrate in the comfort and safety of their own homes this July 1, 2020.

Canada Day kicks-off at 8:00 a.m. on the city's Recreation and Culture Facebook page with a virtual message that will launch a full-day of family fun. Mayor Frank Campion will also deliver a message to Welland residents to ignite civic pride and wish Niagara a happy Canada Day.

The City of Welland is excited to host its first virtual Canada Day Celebrations. The virtual show can be accessed July 1, on the Welland Recreation and Culture Facebook page at @wellandrecandculture. The City of Welland is providing the following performances:

- Video Messages from Mayor Frank Campion, Welland Jackfish and more
- Femme Du Feu Creations
- Mad Science (sponsored by Welland Downtown BIA)
- Club Rex
- Tik Tok Dance Party, Trivia, and Fun Facts
- Do-it-yourself Crafts, Recipes, and more

Niagara's 12 municipalities are also collaborating on a *Canada Day, the Niagara Way* virtual party for Niagara's residents to unite and celebrate across the region. *Canada Day, the Niagara Way* will host the following performances:

- Tim Hicks
- Avenue Inn
- Great Lake Swimmers
- Spencer Burton
- Juliet Dunn and Peter Shea
- Rick McLean

Residents can join in the fun by decorating the front of their homes with Canada Day inspired trimmings, and share images on social media with the hashtag #CanadaDayNiagaraWay. Welland residents can access the city's Canada Day Celebrations, including *Canada Day the Niagara Way* and the National Show through the Welland Recreation and Culture Facebook page @wellandrecandculture. For more information and a full list of acts and performances, visit [welland.ca](http://welland.ca).

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