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# **Summer Community Programing Guide**

Summer 2024



#### A Message from Adil

The recent closure of the Ontario Science Centre has impacted many families and their children's summer plans in Don Valley East. Our office has compiled a list of community programming for families looking to find alternatives while we fight to reopen the Science Centre. Though this isn't an exhaustive list of programming in the riding, we hope these featured events, camps, and more will alleviate some stress and worry for parents looking for other options for their children and families.

#### **Toronto Public Library**

#### **Don Mills Branch**

Phone: (416) 395-5710 | 888 Lawrence Avenue East

The Don Mills Branch offers extensive programming throughout the summer.

- Regular programming includes the Youth Hub from Monday-Friday at 3:30-7:00 PM
- Family Time for Children 5 years and under with parents occurs on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:00 AM

Other programming can be found at <a href="https://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search">www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search</a>.



Above: The Toronto Public Library Branches in the Don Valley East offer fun and rewarding summer programming for all ages.

#### Flemingdon Park Branch

Phone: (416) 395-5820 | 29 St. Dennis Drive

The Flemingdon Park Branch offers recurring programming throughout the summer.

- Youth Hub | Monday-Friday 3:30-7:00 PM
- Family Time for Children 5 years and under with parents | Fridays from 10:00-10:30 AM
- STEM Saturday | Select Saturdays (July 6th and 20th, August 3rd, 17th, and 31st)
- Children's Beginner Chess Club, children 6-12 | Mondays 2:00-3:00 PM
- Movie Monday | Select Mondays (July 8th and 22nd and August 12th and 26th)

Additional programming can be found at <a href="https://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search.">www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search.</a>



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#### **Toronto Botanical Gardens**

Phone: (416) 397-1341 | E-mail: <u>info@torontobotanicalgarden.ca</u> | 777 Lawrence Avenue East The Toronto Botanical Gardens offers summer camps for children 4-12 years of age and drop-in activities throughout the summer. Information about camps can be found at <u>www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca/learn/family</u> and the drop-in events schedule is at <u>www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca/events</u>.



Left: Children ages 4 to 11 can attend the STEM camp at Toronto Botanical Gardens in mid-July.



Right: TNO offers reccurring programming for children aged 0-6 to do crafts, sensory play and more.



#### Aga Khan Museum

Phone: (416) 646-4677 | E-mail: info@agakhanmuseum.org | 77 Wynford Drive

The Aga Khan Museum offers week-long summer camps for children 6-12 years old. Camps start on July 2nd and run weekly until August 6th. Information can be found at <a href="mailto:agakhanmuseum.org/whats-on/2024-camps/">agakhanmuseum.org/whats-on/2024-camps/</a>.

#### **Camp TNO**

More information at https://bit.ly/CampTNO24

Camp TNO (The Neighborhood Organization) offers a camp for children ages 7-15 running from July 29th to August 15th. Registration is in-person at their Youth Hub at East York Town Centre on 45 Overlea Blvd., Unit #1A (Entrance Number 6) and can be done on Monday July 15th from 3:30-6:00 PM and Thursday July 18th from 3:30-6:00 PM until spaces are filled. Please bring \$20.00 in cash along with each child's health card information.

#### Don't Mess with the Don

E-mail: info@dontmesswiththedon.ca

Don't Mess with the Don offers events and programming summer-wide:

- Beginner Mountain Biking: Every Saturday, 10 am 12:30pm
- Family Arts & Crafts: Every second Saturday, 10am 12pm
- Stewardship: Every Wednesday 5pm 7pm

#### **Jenner Jean Marie Community Centre**

Phone: (416) 396-2874 | 48 Thorncliffe Park Dr

This community centre in Thorncliffe Park offers a range of programs including sports drop in, fitness classes and arts programming. For more details, visit their webpage online.



#### **Dennis R. Timbrell Resource Centre**

Phone: (416) 395-7972 | 29 St Dennis Dr

This amazing resource centre offers a range of free programs including aquatic activities, arts, youth sports and a fitness room. For more details, visit their webpage online.



#### **Broadlands Community Centre**

Phone: (416) 395-7966 | 19 Castlegrove Blvd

This paid facility offers summer camps and an outdoor swimming pool with daily leisure swims. For more details, visit their webpage online.

#### Flemingdon Playground Paradise

Phone: (416) 395-6014 | 150 Grenoble Drive

An indoor playground with caregivers on site. Please visit their webpage online for more details.

#### **Additional Resources & Community Spaces**

CampTO offers fun and creative all-day programming throughout the summer for children aged 4 to 16. Multiple camps across the city still have availability for July and August. Visit CampTO's website at <a href="https://www.toronto.ca/campto">www.toronto.ca/campto</a> for information on CampTO and Museum Camp Locations with space available.

A number of parks in the area have splash pads.

- Don-Leslie Park at 14 Inn On The Park Drive has a playground, splash pad, and bottle filling station.
- Flemingdon Park at 150 Grenoble Drive has a splash pad, multipurpose field, and multiple pitches and courts.
- R. V. Burgess Park at 46 Thorncliffe Park Drive features a basketball court, community garden, splash pad, and children's playground.
- Graydon Hall Park at 215 Graydon Hall Drive has a playground, a splash pad, and a tennis court.

I hope these resources have been able to connect families and children to fun and engaging summer activities. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office with any questions you have regarding the featured summer programming.

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