



**8<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Toronto Garlic Festival  
Get ON Garlic**

**(Toronto – June 25, 2018)** Get ON Garlic at the 8th Annual TORONTO GARLIC FESTIVAL Sunday, September 16, 2018 Artscape Wychwood Barns 601 Christie Street, Toronto.

In celebrating the different cultural uses of the mighty Ontario garlic bulb, it's the similarities between garlic lovers that prevail: A passionate appreciation for good harvest, good food, good music, good entertainment, good times. Providing all of the above for eight years, the Toronto Garlic Festival is proud to be a part of more and more people appreciating ON garlic.

Ontario farmers are bringing the good harvest with over 50 types of fresh, juicy, crisp, flavourful local garlic for eating and planting, plus black (fermented) garlic, smoked garlic, powdered garlic, dehydrated garlic, pickled and preserved garlic and even garlic braids.

Good food comes hand in hand with the good harvest and as with every year, all the chefs use fresh Ontario garlic in their prepared foods, with Toronto Garlic Festival offering their annual free raw garlic shot station for an extra kapow of garlic on festival goers plates, and free grilled garlic scapes as a rare out-of-season sample of the head-to-tail garlic plant. Delicious good food also for sale this year includes: ostrich sliders served with garlic aioli, garlic kombucha, garlic ribs plus garlic tea salad. Garlic desserts include garlic ice cream, cookies and donuts, roasted garlic chocolate truffles, and new this year - salty beer infused black garlic caramels.

Good music by a special roster of local artists slash garlic lovers play traditional and contemporary music from Ghana (Kobena Aquaa-Harrison – Seprewa and acoustic guitar), Latin America (DJ Flavia), The Caribbean (Solomon Joseph on steel pan), Ireland (Clan Hannigan), Turkey (Demitrios Petsalakis & Brenna MacCrimmon) and India (Ed Hanley and Justin Gray on tabla), plus Donald Quan/Bob Cohen (Film score). All are accompanied by good entertainment including cooking demos, films (Garlic Is As Good As Ten Mothers, The Angry Inuk), art workshops, a virtual reality farm tour and talks by chefs (Jamie Kennedy, Anne Sorrenti), educators (Soyin Olguin) and chemists (Kaya Ogruce).

"Toronto has a full plate when it comes to the food festival scene, but garlic lovers have convinced us year after year that the celebration of Ontario garlic is important so here we are providing good times and the opportunity for local foodies and even tourists to get ON garlic", proclaims Toronto Garlic Festival founder and garlic grower Peter McClusky.

Sunday, September 16, 2018 from 9 am to 5 pm. Artscape Wychwood Barns is located at 601 Christie Street, Toronto, ON M6G 4C7, less than 10 minute walk west from the St. Clair West Subway station. Street and metred parking nearby. Wheelchair accessible. Admission is \$5.00 per adult. Children 12 and under are free. <http://www.TorontoGarlicFestival.ca> Facebook: Toronto Garlic Festival Twitter: @TorontoGarlic Instagram: @torontogarlicfestival

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