



KAHNAWÀ:KE TOURISM?

Akwesasne Pow Wow

On September 9th & 10th, members of Kahnawà:ke Tourism were set up for the Akwesasne Pow Wow at the A’nowara’kó:wa Arena grounds for the weekend’s events. So many vendors were set up to show their wares that our own staff couldn’t resist stepping away from the booth to shop around for their own Pow Wow hauls! We had many interested visitors come up to our information booth from areas all over the North Country and beyond: Akwesasne, NY; Cornwall, ON; Montréal, QC; Ottawa, ON; Onondaga, NY; Hatfield, PA; Temiskaming, ON; Pessamit, QC; Maskwacis, AB.

Concordia Pow Wow

On September 15th, Kyah attended the Otsenhákta Student Centre (OSC) Pow Wow at Concordia University. As she is no stranger to the Centre, Kyah reconnected with the student facilitators and saw many familiar faces at the event. Vendors were set up for the day-long event where the weather held out beautifully. Passing students were drawn to the colorful regalia and spirited dancing under the show tent. Those set up were treated to blueberry cornbread, corn soup, harvest salad and bannock prepared by Odanak caterer Sagamité Watso. Way to go, OSC staff for a job well done and thank you for having us!

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MCGILL POW WOW

On September 22nd, Kyah Montour, Tourism Public Relations Officer, also attended the McGill Pow Wow to represent Kahnawà:ke Tourism. The booth saw many international students come up to ask questions about the Indigenous presence in Montréal. Like the Concordia Pow Wow, Lance Delisle emceed and enticed students, teachers and passers-by to the grounds just off Sherbrooke Street. It was great to see many familiar Kahnawà:ke dancers and vendors there to showcase our culture.

With that, the 2023 Pow Wow trail ends here. It was a blast attending them all – until next year!



On Wednesday, September 27th, Bronwyn Johns, Tourism Events Coordinator, presented the moccasin exhibit at Louis-Philippe-Paré Elementary School in Châteauguay. It was an opportunity to bring awareness of children who didn't return home from the residential schools to our neighboring community.



Thursday, September 28th the tourism team attended the moccasin exhibit at the Capital Campaign event and provided a tour to those in attendance. The tour included a visit to The Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language and Cultural Center (KORLCC) and Kateri Tekakwitha Interpretive Center.

Bronwyn Johns gave a tour on September 29th for staff and students of McGill's CICADA (Centre for Indigenous Conservation and Development Alternatives) Anthropology Department. They had a bus tour of the community, a visit to the KORLCC, and had a catered lunch by Messy Kitchen at the 219 Legion Branch Hall.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Let's Talk Tourism!



Join Kahnawà:ke Tourism at the Let's Talk Tourism drop-ins! This October, members of Kahnawà:ke Tourism will be set up at Tóta Ma's Café to talk all things tourism with community members. Meet the team to chat about upcoming events, learn about tourism strategic plans, and let us know if you would like to join our Kahnawà:ke Tourism Advisory Board! Complimentary drinks & snacks will be provided for the sessions which will be held on October 19th from 4-7PM and on October 27th from 1-5PM. All welcome!

HARVEST FAIR

Harvest time provides an opportunity to learn about traditional food preparation and to celebrate with fun, autumn activities. At the 5th annual Harvest Fair, we have something planned for all ages to enjoy: lacrosse shoot-out competition, food vendors, arts & crafts booths, agricultural demos, and relay races for chances to win great prizes. Join us at Orville Standup Park on Sunday, October 22nd, 2023 from 11 AM 'til 5 PM. We hope to see you there!



A new episode of the Kahnawà:ke Tourism podcast, Kwakarátón:ni is out! Tune into the monthly episode where you can listen and learn about various topics surrounding our tourism activities. In episode #4, Learn about upcoming projects and events happening this month – Iontkahthótha' Art Exhibition & the Harvest Fair.

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EPISODE 1
WELCOME TO KAHNAWÀ:KE TOURISM

EPISODE 2
MEET OUR TOUR GUIDES

EPISODE 3
BEING CONSCIOUS OF OUR COMMUNITY

TOUR STATS

With school back in session our tours have amped up bringing in four (4) school groups with 101 students to participate in educational tours for their students. The students visited us from Literacy Quebec, Royal West Academy, Edinburgh Elementary School, and Sainte Anne College. The students in September enjoyed tours of Kahnawà:ke, tour of the Language and Cultural Center, tours of Saint Francis Xavier Mission, Lacrosse Workshops and visits on story telling at Mohawk Trail Longhouse.

We also welcomed four (4) corporate groups who are interested in learning about Indigenous peoples. These groups brought in 144 visitors to the community, taking tours of Kahnawà:ke, the Language and Cultural Center, dining in at The Rail Coal Fire Bistro, and visiting local boutiques.

For PlanIt Consulting, we organized a Familiarization Tour with potential donors for the new Cultural Building. The tour was organized for 20 participants of the event, where they had a specialized tour to view, Kahnawà:ke Survival School, the location for the building, the Language and Cultural Center, The Shrine, and Quebec Bridge Monument.

VISITORS STATS

September was a busy time at The Welcome Center, greeting 78 visitors! They came from Canada, United States, France, England, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Trinidad, Tobago, China, Portugal, and Algeria!



TRIP ADVISOR TOUR REVIEWS

BOOK A TOUR



Literacy Q
Excellent experience!
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We went on a tour of the town, the Cultural Centre and the Shrine. Bronwyn, our tour guide was a wealth of knowledge and experience both historical and current. There is so much to learn in the long, rich history of Kahnawà:ke and the Kanien'kehá:ka people. Our group learned a lot and we look forward to taking another tour and learning more!

Written September 19, 2023



KAHNAWÀ:KE WELCOME CENTER HOURS

HOURS	
MON	8:30AM - 4:00PM
TUES	8:30AM - 4:00PM
WED	8:30AM - 4:00PM
THU	8:30AM - 4:00PM
FRI	8:30AM - 4:00PM

SAT & SUN	CLOSED



The Kahnawà:ke Welcome Center is open from Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Our visitor center is located on 1 River Road, Kahnawà:ke QC, J0L1B0.

CLICK HERE TO BOOK A TOUR!

SHOP KAHNAWÀ:KE

Shop Kahnawà:ke Gift Certificates are now available for purchase at the Welcome Center! Gift certificates can be given as a gift for that special occasion and can be redeemed in over 100 business locations in Kahnawà:ke. Visit the Shop Kahnawà:ke Facebook page and website for more information.



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