



July 29, 2021
Ms. Manon Levesque
Office of The City Clerk
340 Pitt Street
Cornwall, On. K6H 5T7

Re: Cornwall Art Walk

Dear Ms Levesque:

The Cornwall Art Walk has decided to host an art walk again this year in Downtown Cornwall. The event will transform Downtown Cornwall into its very own Art District on Friday August 27th from 4pm to 8pm. Downtown Pitt street will be lined with a diverse group of artists of all disciplines and skill levels, makers, live music, performances and interactive art stations. We request a street closure for the event on Friday August 27th from the hours of 2pm to 9pm along Downtown Pitt Street, starting from the south side of Mexis' to Second Street. We would also appreciate railings to barricade the area as well as street closure signage.

This event will be following all EOHU guidelines in order to provide the safest event for our community. In order to meet the EOHU guidelines we will have Hand sanitizer available at each artist's and vendor location. Artists and vendors will be safely distanced to a minimum of 2 meters. Volunteers will be assigned to each performance section to ensure no one will be within 4 meters and to disrupt any gathering. Other volunteers will ensure people are respecting all social distancing guidelines and encourage the flow of traffic. All performers will supply their own equipment and no equipment will be shared. If a tent is used, at least two sides will remain open. Many downtown businesses will be open and providing washrooms. In the event that social distancing is not available, we will enforce mask wearing. There will be clear and visible signage throughout the event to serve as a reminder to follow social distancing, as well as in any area where masks are required. All vendors, artists and musicians have been informed of and reminded of social distancing protocols.

Cornwall Art Walk transforms downtown Cornwall into its very own arts district, featuring the work of local and regional artists, live music, performing arts, merchant specials, and interactive art activities. Each year, Cornwall Art Walk, a Standing Committee of Your Arts Council, hosts this event to highlight the many talented artists in our community in addition to promoting our unique downtown area. The event encourages participants to take a walk through Downtown Cornwall and celebrate our vibrant community. This year is gearing up to be the best Art Walk yet.

There will be two stage locations, one at Pommier square and the other at the corner of First and Pitt Street where there will be live music. There will be a third stage location in front of the SDG building where performance art will be held along with family-gearred entertainment. This year we have added 3 traveling performers who will each have a designated performance-area and time within the parameters of event. There will be more than 10 makers and 20 artists with many new faces and art mediums participating. We are working with the downtown businesses who choose to stay open late to help promote visiting the downtown and their businesses. Cornwall Art Walk is building strong community partnerships with the downtown businesses along with various community organizations to create a bridge for collective growth. The August 2020 Cornwall Art Walk had an attendance of 750 people and we are estimating the same attendance rate this year. Last year's event provided the opportunity for the community to connect with Art and the downtown during the pandemic. You can find more information on last year's event by visiting our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/cornwallartwalk> or our website cornwallartwalk.ca

Please accept this letter as notification of our production of this event and our formal request for the street closure. We have been advised that we require a municipal resolution recognizing this event as a community festival.

We therefore ask that this resolution be granted and request a letter from your office stating such.

Thanking you for your support

Sincerely

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