

ADVICE 2017

HOURS: Friday, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. September 8-10, 2017. You may start packing up any time after 4:30 on Sunday if things are slow. The show goes on, rain or shine. Parliament St. is closed to traffic at 9:00 on Saturday and Sunday but you can reach the park from Gerrard Street going north on Sumach.

PREPARATIONS: Bring whatever chairs, stands, shelves and shelter you need, there are no walls or fencing to attach things to. A brief shower can be discouraging. Tents and tables can be rented from our supplier Higgins Event Rentals (ask for Michelle @ 416-252-4050-ext. 32). Be sure to tell them that the delivery fee has been waived for tents rented for Cabbagetown. There are cheaper deals with different conditions (you pick up and return) from other renters. However, a sun canopy from Canadian Tire is all you really need.

ELECTRICITY: We encourage demonstrations but access to electricity is only at the north end (see map). If you must have electricity, *contact Randy Brown at 416-926-0237 in the week prior to the sale to reserve a space nearby.* There will be a \$10 charge. Bring your own extension cords.

SPACES: We do not assign spaces: first come, first served, but we guarantee you a space whenever you arrive. Locations are marked every eleven feet along the walkways; you may extend back as far as you like.

SET-UP TIME: ***You may put your tent up any time after 8:01 a.m. Friday morning.*** We will check the park Thursday night & Friday morning before 8:00 a.m. and remove any spaces staked earlier; anyone proven to have moved someone else's stakes will have to pay \$75 to the aggrieved party or be asked to leave. There are lots of good spaces and there should be no need to arrive earlier than 10:00 a.m.

REGISTRATION Register your space and pick up your badges at the organizers tent after 12:00 noon on Friday near the northwest corner of the park. You must bring your vehicle licence number to receive a parking pass. You will receive tickets for free coffee and croissants for two on Saturday morning, coffee until 12:00 Sunday morning. Please remain in your chosen spot all weekend unless you make other arrangements through the organizers.

SECURITY: There is overnight security in the park both Friday and Saturday but your tent and goods are there at your own risk. Please report any incidents to the organizer's tent.

PARKING: On Friday, unload your vehicle at the park and then move on so that others may unload. You may park anywhere in Cabbagetown on Friday. We have an agreement with Parking Control that you will not be ticketed; if you are ticketed on Friday, please bring your ticket to the main tent. **You must park in Sprucecourt schoolyard for Saturday & Sunday.** If you leave your vehicle around the park you will be penalized and perhaps kicked out of the sale.

ACCESS: ***No vehicles are allowed to drive into the park.*** You must move your goods 10 to 30 metres but many spaces are close to the street. When unloading, do not block other vehicles and then leave your vehicle unattended. Officers are around to give a \$60 ticket to anyone who parks on sidewalks, curbs, in front of hydrants, driveways or other cars.

AMENITIES: Food, drink and portable washrooms are plentiful. Riverdale Farm has many activities for children both Saturday and Sunday, so bring yours along. **We will have a portable ATM machine.**

ACCOMMODATION: There are B&B's in Cabbagetown. Google "cabbagetown b&bs" (include space between the two words). They range from \$90-\$125 a night for two. The Toronto Film Festival is on the same weekend, so hotel rooms are scarce and prices are high. Econo Lodge Inn, 416-962-4686, Best Western Primrose 416-977-8000; Days Inn 416-977-6655; and Ramada Hotel 416-977-4823 are clustered only a few blocks away.

INQUIRIES: Contact me by e-mail (cabbagetowncraft@gmail.com). Phone inquiries between 9 & 11 a.m at 416-926-0237. I will make one attempt to contact you. Call back if you do not receive a reply. **No refunds after June 1.**