

2015 PRIDE GUIDE

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One Community

# tri-Pride

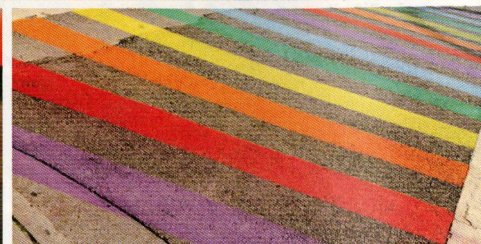
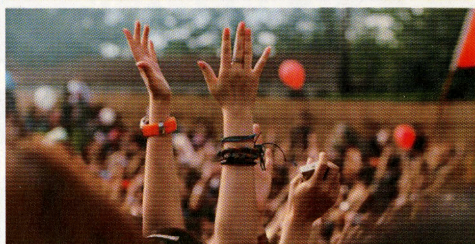
LIVE MUSIC FESTIVAL

# 2015



**PRIDE WEEK: MAY 30 - JUNE 6**  
**FESTIVAL DATE: SATURDAY JUNE 6**

[www.tri-Pride.ca](http://www.tri-Pride.ca)



We believe the best way to support a community is to become a part of it.

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**tri-Pride is the LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans\*, and Queer) Pride Festival celebration in the Waterloo Region (Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and surrounding Area), Ontario.**

**tri-Pride Community Association Inc.**

250 King Street West, PO Box 26018  
Kitchener, ON, N2G 0A4  
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info@tri-Pride.ca



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# HAPPY PRIDE!

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THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY!

OK2BME is a set of free, confidential services for kids and teens wondering about their sexuality or gender identify. They may identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender-variant, or they may just have questions. Services include: LGBTQ-positive Individual and Family Counselling, LGBTQ Social and Recreational Youth Group, Professional Consultation and Collaboration, Public Education and Training and Supporting establishment of Gay-Staight Alliances.

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www.OK2BME.ca  
480 Charles Street East  
Kitchener ON N2G 4K5  
519.884.0000

Please connect with us online!



*Southern Ontario Leather Association (SOLA) is a Leather organization dedicated to education, social activism and understanding of alternative sexual lifestyles. While we are primarily a SM/Leather group, all interests are welcome.*

[Http://leathertraditions.ca](http://leathertraditions.ca)

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# BACA



Born out of a karmic meeting at a gig in Cambridge, BACA combines the talents of Samantha Pollard, Suze Burmester and Elana Harte, creating a powerhouse acoustic trio, a virtual wall of voice and guitars.

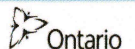
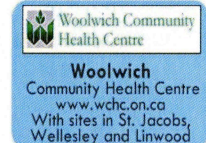
BACA's acoustic arrangements of classic and original songs are suited for any occasion. Their involvement of the audience is extraordinary.



## Happy Pride! From Waterloo-Wellington Community Health Centres

Community Health Centres (CHC's) have provided primary health care for over 30 years. CHC's are accredited, non-profit organizations that employ teams of health providers such as physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, social workers, dietitians and health promoters. CHC's offer primary health care and a range of health promotion, illness prevention and community development programs and services.

For more information, please check out our websites today!





20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festival

In 2016

Dates & locations to be announced

Join us as we celebrate 20 years of tri-Pride with 14 days of Events

Fundraising events start in September 2015

Watch for details on our website and Face book pages

Comedy Nights – Youth Events – Themed Parties

Drag Shows – Theatrical events – Special Events

Halloween Stage show – Christmas Party

And much more

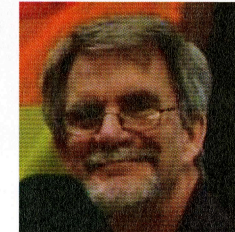
Watch for our float in the upcoming Parades

We might even have our own tri-Pride Parade to Kick off the Music Festival Day

## 2015 tri-Pride Board of Directors



Justin Grundy, Kaitlin Trowhill, Karen Ferguson, Jim Griffin



Alec Purves

On behalf of the Board of Directors of tri-Pride, I would like to welcome everyone to tri-Pride 2015!

This year's Festival promises to be another great celebration of the diversity in our community. We have lined up some awesome performers from around Southern Ontario to entertain you. Pride Festivals are a time to get together with old friends, make new friends and just come together as a community.

The Board has been hard at work putting together this year's festival as well as doing some pre-planning for our upcoming 20th Anniversary in 2016.

Thank you to our many Volunteers, Sponsors, Supporters, Friends and Allies for your continuous support. You are the reason tri-Pride happens. It's community support that allows us to continue to run this great festival every year.

Karen Ferguson

President



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Conceived in 2013, STILETTO FLATS is an amalgamation of some of Ontario's most talented musicians.

The Flats bring retro & classic rock to a whole new level, inviting the audience to jump up and play along.

Stiletto Flats released their debut EP in 2014, a bluesy-rock offering that garnered some very prestigious songwriting awards and excellent press. [www.stilettoflats.com](http://www.stilettoflats.com)

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**MELISSA ETHERIDGE**  
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 Mon, 21 Sept. @ 8PM

**ILLUSIONIST DARCY OAKE:**  
**EDGE OF REALITY**  
 Fri, 13 Nov. @ 8PM

**WHITEHORSE**  
 Sat, 21 Nov. @ 8PM

**JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING  
 TECHNICALOR DREAMCOAT**  
 Wed, 6 Jan. @ 8PM



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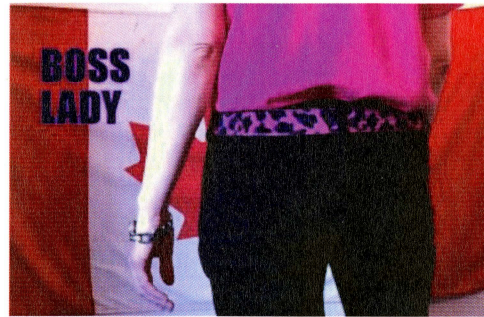


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Boss Lady will boss your socks off with

sexy sax and rockin' tunes that you're going to love!

Started as a Springsteen all-girl cover band, we have evolved to include a ton of fun 70's 80's and 90's rock tunes and anything with a great sax solo.

Bands Members:

Janet Whiteway: Vocals/keys

Jean Deeth: Bass

Carrie Chesnutt: Sax/Vocals

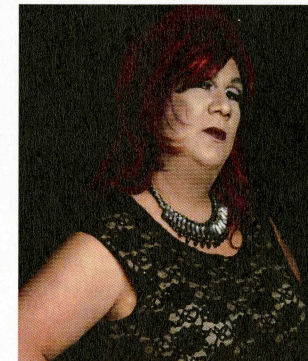
Cathy Marchese: Drums

Aimee O'Connor: Guitar

Your 2015 Mr. and Ms. Tri-Pride

Jasmine Flowers and

Austin Tacious



**Community Justice Initiatives**  
49 Queen St. N 3rd floor Kitchener, ON  
519-744-6549

Elder Mediation Service offers safe & confidential conflict resolution services to older adults 55+ and their families/caregivers/community support services, through mediations, healing circles, weekly/monthly group programs, education, workshops & training.

**Conflict Management Group for LGBTQ Older Adults**

We are excited to introduce...

An 8-week psych-educational group for LGBTQ individuals aged 50+! Providing a safe space to share unique experiences, connect with others & encourage learning of skills to manage conflicts in our lives.

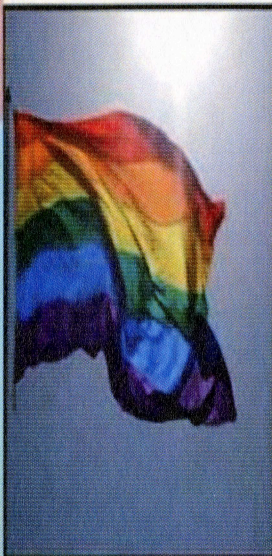
EMS uses a holistic approach that focuses on:

\*healing and restoration of relationships

\*ensuring equal voice for participants

\*respecting individual values

\*preventing further harm



## Grand River Rainbow Historical Project

*celebrating the lives and times*

*of*

*rainbow folk in Grand River country*

Visit us at

<http://www.grandriver-rainbowhistory.ca/>

# brave & crazy



*"Short on pretense, big on discovering the joy of playing music together, these five individuals met purely by accident and have bonded through the simple joy of making music together in a band."*

*- Limbo Magazine*

The band showcases the talents of veteran performers, each with over twenty years of individual musical experience. Lead vocalist - Sam Pollard, back up vocals and guitarist - Suzie Burmester, drummer - Steve Billings, bassist - Pete Way, guitarist - David Henman. Working with mutual respect for each others talents brings their show to life and provides a depth to their music that is second to none!



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### Our Community's Drag Kings and Queens FEATURING Miss Drew and Crew!



Each and every year tri-Pride brings you the very best in professional and amateur impersonators, many of whom hail from the Waterloo Region!

In the finest tradition of drag, our community's drag kings and queens will inspire, incite, tantalize, and delight you!





Happy Pride!  
from

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# GRACE

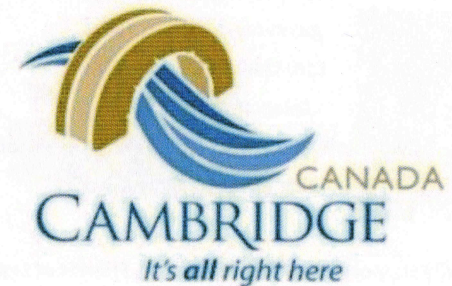
Formed in the summer of 2014 by Mae Cromwell and Rhonda Bruce, Grace is a Toronto based funkacious band of 9 women bringing you funk, soul, disco, and a whole lotta love! Bombastic brass, groovin' rhythms and killer vocals, Grace is packing venues (if not selling them OUT!) each time they perform.

Members include:

Mae Cromwell - Lead Vocals  
Rhonda Bruce - Bass/Vocals  
Vocals

Gina Pennesi - Vocals  
Carrie Chesnutt - Sax/  
Vocals

## Friend of tri-Pride



Thank you for your support!

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We act as an information hub for our LGBTQ community, as well as provide services, support programs, and social & recreational opportunities. Some of our activities and programs include:

- Trans Peer Support Group
- Older Adults Coming Out Group
- Aging with Pride Committee
- School & Community Support for Youth
- Rainbow Newcomers
- Rainbow Open Recovery
- gaymday & Hiking group
- Lazy Queer Reading Circle
- Queercraft for Knitters
- Community Resources, Events & Local History
- Lending Library—Films & books

SPECTRUM proudly supports the PFLAG (Parent & Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Chapter of Waterloo, Wellington & Perth Regions.

For location of office and events see website.

Email: [info@ourspectrum.com](mailto:info@ourspectrum.com) | Website: [www.ourspectrum.com](http://www.ourspectrum.com)

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/SpectrumCommunitySpace>

Twitter: @spectrumwat

Hours of Opening: see [www.ourspectrum.com](http://www.ourspectrum.com)

**Cambridge Mingle and Mixer**

**4th Thursday of the month**

**Kink friendly establishment**

**Hosted by Southern Ontario Leather Association (SOLA)**

**Check SOLA Website**

**<http://leathertraditions.ca>**

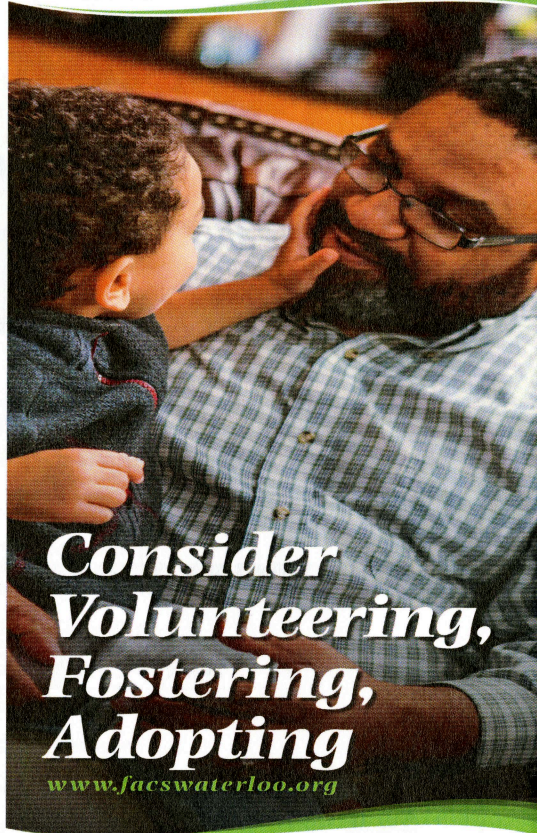
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## Tri-Pride 2015 Events Schedule

Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup> – Mr. & Miss Tri-Pride Pageant & Show  
Sizzle 135 George St. N. Cambridge  
- Doors open at 8pm, \$5.00 cover – 19+  
- Hosted by Victoria Parks  
- Performances by popular Drag Queens  
- Competition for Mr. & Miss Tri-Pride

Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup> – Volunteer Orientation – Kitchener City Hall  
– times t.b.d.

Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> – Pride at Night Walk – Doors open - 8pm

Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> - Flag Raising – Cambridge Civic Square 3:00pm

- Bears vs Queens Baseball Game – Dickson Park 4:00pm  
- After Game Social @ Black Badger – refreshments & munchies

Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Comedy & Open Mic Talent Night  
@ The Order, 59 King Street North, Waterloo  
- Doors open at 8pm, \$10.00 cover, 19+

Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> – Tri City Roller Derby - Beaver Bash  
@Waterloo Rec Centre  
- 7pm - \$12 @ the door  
- Half Time Drag Show on roller skates  
- Vendor tables available  
- in support of tri-Pride

Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> Music Festival etc. – Carl Zehr Square 11:45am –  
7pm  
OK2BME Pride Prom– 18 and under

Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> - Family & Volunteer Picnic – Riverside Park Noon to  
6pm

**NOTE:** Other events put on in support of Tri-Pride by other Communi-  
ty Groups will also be considered

# Community Listings



## SOCIAL / EDUCATIONAL

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| Conestoga<br>Gay-Straight Alliance  |  | KW Out 4-Dinner Club  |  | Secrett Events<br>Various community events<br><a href="http://www.secrettevents.com">www.secrettevents.com</a>           |  |
| DJ Dallas<br>Various community events   |  | KW Rainbow Women's<br>Soccer League<br><a href="http://www.rainbowwomensoccer.org">www.rainbowwomensoccer.org</a> |  | Southern Ontario Leather<br>Association (SOLA)<br><a href="http://www.leathertraditions.ca">www.leathertraditions.ca</a> |  |
| E-LIPSE<br>Electronic Lesbian Information<br>Posting & Social Events<br><a href="http://www.e-lipse.com">www.e-lipse.com</a>        |  | Lazy Queer Book Club<br><a href="http://www.ourspectrum.com">www.ourspectrum.com</a>                              |  | Spectrum Community Space<br><a href="http://www.ourspectrum.com">www.ourspectrum.com</a>                                 |  |
| eHBC Kitchener Munch<br><a href="http://www.ehbc.ca">www.ehbc.ca</a>  |  | LGBT Hideout - Chatroom<br><a href="http://www.lgbt13.wix.com/lgbthideout">www.lgbt13.wix.com/lgbthideout</a>     |  | Tri-City Bear Meat   |  |
| Eachre in the Basement  |  | Out on the Shelf<br><a href="http://www.outontheshelf.ca">www.outontheshelf.ca</a>                                |  | tri-Pride<br><a href="http://www.tri-Pride.ca">www.tri-Pride.ca</a>  |  |
| Gay Men's Social Group  |  | Queer Pagan<br>Discussion Group   |  | Waterloo Region GSA Network<br><a href="http://www.gsanetwork.ca/gsas/">www.gsanetwork.ca/gsas/</a><br>WRGSA Network     |  |
| GLOW Centre for Sexual<br>& Gender Diversity  |  | Rainbow Centre, WLU<br><a href="http://www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow">www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow</a>                     |  | Wednesday Night<br>Discussion Group<br><a href="http://www.wndg.ca">www.wndg.ca</a>                                      |  |
| Grand River Rainbow<br>Historical Society<br><a href="http://www.grandriver-rainbowhistory.ca">www.grandriver-rainbowhistory.ca</a> |  | Rainbow Chorus of<br>Waterloo- Wellington<br><a href="http://www.rainbowchorus.ca">www.rainbowchorus.ca</a>       |  | WOODS<br>Women Out Opening Doors Socially<br><a href="mailto:woodswimmln@yahoo.ca">woodswimmln@yahoo.ca</a>              |  |
| Guelph Pride<br><a href="http://www.guelphpride.com">www.guelphpride.com</a>  |  | Rainbow Reels Queer Film Festival<br><a href="http://www.rainbowreels.org">www.rainbowreels.org</a>               |  |  |  |
| KW Friends of Dorothy Bowling<br><a href="http://www.kwfriendsofdorothy.ca">www.kwfriendsofdorothy.ca</a>                           |  | Respect Campaign, Conestoga<br><a href="http://www.conestogac.on.ca/respect">www.conestogac.on.ca/respect</a>     |  |  |  |

## COMMUNITY SUPPORTS

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| ACCKWA<br>The AIDS Committee of Cambridge,<br>Kitchener, Waterloo and Area<br><a href="http://www.acckwa.com">www.acckwa.com</a> |  | LGBTQ Parenting Connection<br><a href="http://www.lgbtqparentingconnection.ca">www.lgbtqparentingconnection.ca</a>   |  | Sexual Assault Support Centre<br>of Waterloo Region<br><a href="http://www.sascwr.org">www.sascwr.org</a> |  |
| Connect Rainbow<br>Youth Group   |  | Outline<br><a href="http://www.uoguelph.ca/~outline">www.uoguelph.ca/~outline</a>  |  | Waterloo Region Rainbow Coalition<br><a href="http://www.yourwrrc.ca">www.yourwrrc.ca</a>                 |  |
| Ok2BMe Youth Group<br><a href="http://www.ok2bme.ca">www.ok2bme.ca</a>   |  | Parenting Under the Rainbow  |  | Waterloo Region<br>Transgender Network  |  |
| Lesbian Gay Bi Trans Youth Line<br><a href="http://www.youthline.ca">www.youthline.ca</a><br>1-800-268-9688                      |  | PFLAG<br>Relatives and Friends of LGBTQ People<br><a href="http://www.pflag.ca">www.pflag.ca</a><br>Local Chapter - <a href="http://www.ourspectrum.com">www.ourspectrum.com</a><br>Rainbow Health Ontario<br><a href="http://www.rainbowhealthontario.ca">www.rainbowhealthontario.ca</a> |  | Waterloo Wellington<br>Gender-Variant Working<br>Group  |  |

## GATHERING PLACES

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| Club Renaissance<br>24 Charles St. W., Kitchener<br><a href="http://www.clubrenaissance.com">www.clubrenaissance.com</a> |  | Sizzle<br>135 George St., Cambridge<br><a href="http://www.biglittleclub.com">www.biglittleclub.com</a> |  | Spectrum Community Space<br>42 Erb St. E, Waterloo<br><a href="http://www.ourspectrum.com">www.ourspectrum.com</a> |  |
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Little Bean Coffee Bar  
417 King Street W.,  
Kitchener



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## 2015 Tri-Pride Music Festival @ Carl Zehr

### Stage Schedule – Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>

12:00 – 12:15pm: DJ

12:15 – 1:00 pm: Opening ceremonies, Performances by

Mr. & Miss tri-Pride & Talent show winner, Presentation of Community Awards, and more

1:00 – 1:15pm: DJ

1:15 – 1:45pm: Drum Fit

1:45 – 2:00pm: DJ

2:00 – 2:30pm: Drag Queen Performances

2:30 – 2:45pm: DJ

2:45 – 3:30pm: Band - BACA

3:30 – 3:45pm: DJ

3:45 – 4:30pm: Band – Brave & Crazy

4:00 – 4:15pm: DJ

4:15 – 5:00pm: Band – Boss Lady

5:00 – 5:05pm: DJ

5:05 – 5:50pm: Band – Stiletto Flats

5:50 – 6:00pm: DJ

6:00 – 7:00pm: Band - Grace



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We are working together with the tri-Pride Festival to make a difference in our communities.

