

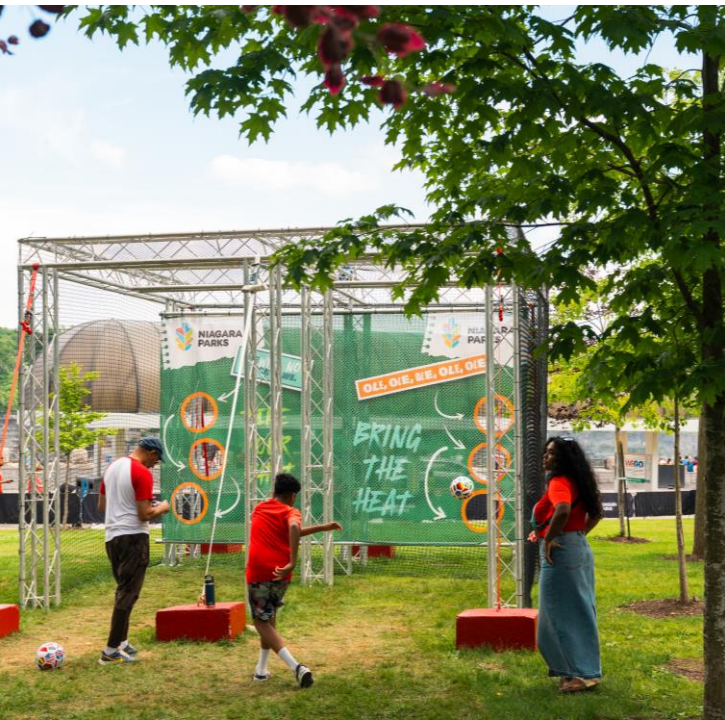


**NIAGARA
PARKS**

Business Highlights Presentation

Niagara Parks Commission

Thursday, June 11, 2026



June 11 – July 19: Fan Zone By the Falls

- Fan Zone by the Falls transforms the front lawn of Queen Victoria Place into an outdoor soccer viewing and entertainment destination, featuring live broadcasts, food and beverage service and daily programming from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. through July 19, 2026.
- Culinary introduced The Parkway Kitchen food trailer, serving dishes including poutine, brisket and sausages, along with the Cargo Cantina, offering frozen cocktails, mocktails and popcorn.
- Queen Victoria Place Restaurant is participating with daily feature menus inspired by competing teams, plus patio viewing screens and a VIP lounge experience.
- Fan Zone by the Falls culinary locations partnered with Blackburn Beer Company to offer three exclusive “Fan Can” beers representing Canada, the United States and Mexico.



Journey Behind the Falls Redevelopment

- Spring 2026: Niagara Parks has undertaken a multi-phase restoration project of its flagship attraction, Journey Behind the Falls.
- Phase I of the redevelopment will introduce a new stabilized, fully accessible tunnel leading to a brand-new secondary viewing platform that will reduce congestion, expand capacity and deliver an elevated year-round experience for guests.
- Phase II of the redevelopment will include the complete reconstruction of the aging Rainbow Platform, which is nearing the end of its life cycle.
- Journey Behind the Falls remains fully open for guests during the project.



Return of the Sunday Afternoon Concert Series

- The fond tradition of the Sunday Afternoon Concert Series in Queenston Heights Park will be returning this year to celebrate the Queenston Bandshell's 50th anniversary.
- Featuring 10 bands, the free Sunday Afternoon Concert Series will run from June 14 through September 6 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
- Bands include: Panatics Steelband Network, Niagara Youth Orchestra, Niagara Falls Concert Band, Burlington Welsh Ladies Chorus, Lincoln & Welland Foundation Band, Niagara Regional Police Pipes and Drums, The Jimmy Marando Swing Band, Fiddlin' Around, Lincoln Concert Band and Fort Erie Ukes.
- Visitors are invited to enjoy a full Sunday experience at the historic park with live music, tennis or pickleball and brunch at Queenston Heights Restaurant.



Business Development

Retail and Attractions

- May 1: Clifton Gate reopened as a Welcome Centre, retail outlet and hub, improving guest services, supporting new guided walking-tours, WEGO ticket sales and guest assistance services.
- May 15: Queenston Heights Courts launched for its 2026 season featuring: enhanced programming, an open house weekend in June with instruction, ongoing junior lessons, league play, adult instruction and tournaments throughout the season.
 - Season passes for pickleball and tennis are available on the Niagara Parks website.





Business Development

Culinary

- Culinary staff explored industry trends and new restaurant equipment while attending the National Restaurant Association Show held in Chicago.
- Legends on the Niagara Restaurant and Queenston Heights Restaurant served more than 500 guests across both properties for Mother's Day Brunch.
- Legends hosted the Retirement and Service Recognition Dinner for Niagara Parks staff, featuring a well-received buffet that contributed to the event's success.
- Queen Victoria Place Restaurant catered five events at the Niagara Parks Power Station, including the Ontario Water Works Association Reception, which welcomed 900 attendees.





Business Development

Sales – May

- Business & Social Events
 - Hosted 27 groups; attended 5 industry events; 5 site visits and 1 fam tour.
- Travel Trade
 - 22 fam tours; attended Rendez vous Canada 2026 in Toronto.
- Weddings
 - 95 wedding reception inquiries; 38 ceremony inquiries; hosted 20 ceremonies; 12 site inspections and 9 receptions.



Business Development

Golf

- Persistent wet weather has left golf courses oversaturated, particularly at Legends on the Niagara, where carts were restricted to paths for all but three of the first 40 operating days.
- The restrictions, which also affected the Chippawa 9-hole course, resulted in significant cancellations and negatively impacted financial performance.
- Legends on the Niagara and Whirlpool Golf Courses will receive a new fleet of E-Z-GO golf carts equipped with GPS technology and interactive screens to enhance the guest experience. Scheduled for delivery this summer, the lithium battery-powered carts offer several benefits, including reduced maintenance, longer lifespan, faster charging, lower energy costs and consistent performance.





Planning, Environment and Culture

Heritage and Legacy

- The Heritage team hosted a delegation at Queenston Heights from the Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference.
- Four heritage ambassadors attended the Grand Tactical event at the Fort Meigs historic site in Ohio
- Old Fort Erie hosted its monthly installment of The 1776 Forum: Old Fort Erie in the Revolutionary Era speaker series..



Events, Programming and Education

Building Partnerships

- Niagara Parks joined the inaugural Rise and Inspire event at Niagara College as presenting sponsor, with remarks on the organization's growing partnership delivered by the Senior Manager, Public Affairs.
- As part of the City of Hamilton's bid to host the 2028 International Children's Games, the CEO and Director of Cultural Services hosted a delegation on May 14 to explore potential collaboration opportunities.

Special Events

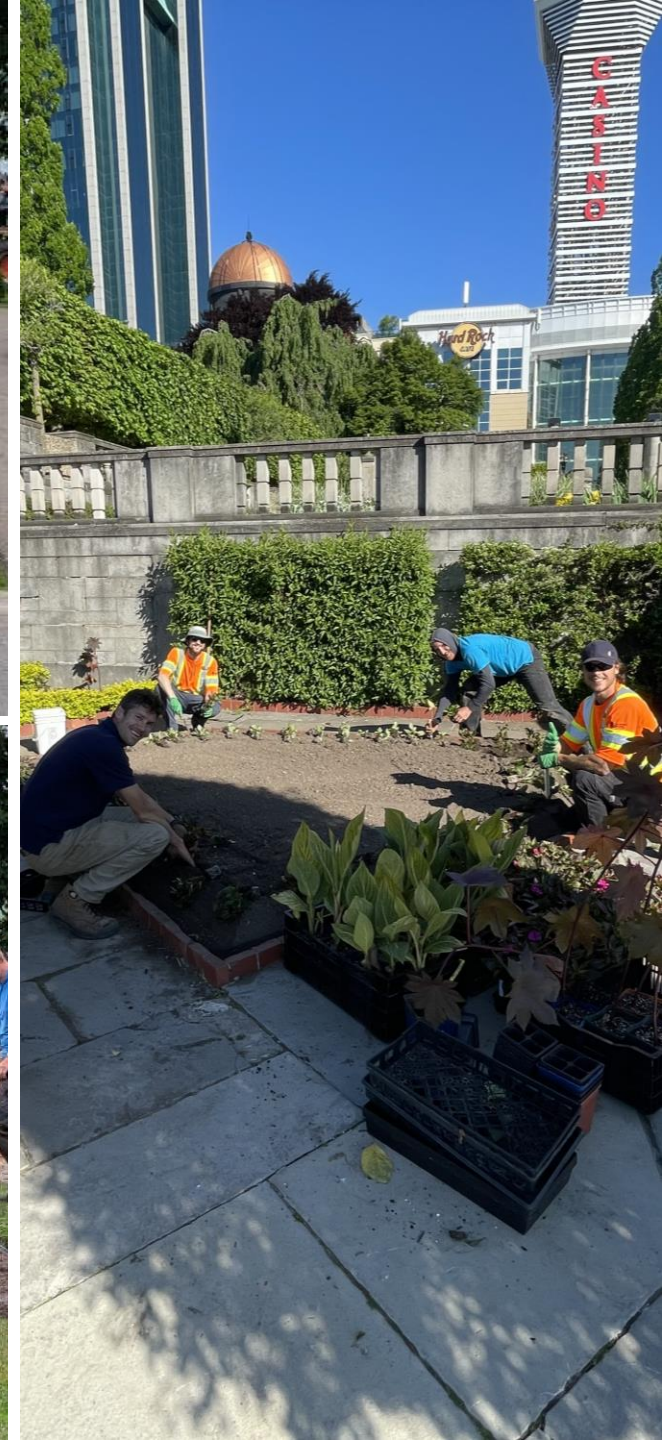
- Summer Fireworks Series kicked off on May 15, now running daily at 10 p.m. until Thanksgiving.
- Women's Golf Day set for both Legends and Whirlpool on May 27.



Facility Services

Parks

- Sodded along Tesla Path after construction wrap up.
- Completion of rehabilitation of Dufferin Islands shoreline near entrance, mulch path, soil, sod and updated curb stones (removed wood bollards).
- Preparation for McFarland garden tours and mosaiculture butterfly installation.
- Set up pedestrian protection in Central Parks.
- Rehabilitation of sod and path in Queen Victoria Park at Murray Hill.
- Started summer annual planting.





Facility Services

Forestry

- Over 1,000 trees delivered in May, on track for 2026 planting goals.

Environmental Services

- Completed cleanup of the Niagara Parks Power Station Tunnel platform, Hubbard's Point and the Fort Erie shoreline (Bowen Road to Courtwright Street).
- Repaired and re-secured waste receptacles along South Boulevard following winter storm damage.
- Installed BINPAK systems at Grand View Restaurant and Queen Victoria Place Restaurant.
- Opened the marina on May 15 and successfully transitioned to Citywide Permitting software.

