



Preserving, promoting, and developing Wellington North's unique cultural resources to build a vibrant community and a prosperous economy.

CULTURAL MOMENT FOR JULY 11TH CELEBRATES THE MOUNT FOREST FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

Deeply embedded in Wellington North's local culture is the Mount Forest Fireworks Festival – a community wide, 4-day event, that has become a signature event locally as well as provincially for the past 20 years. Always the third weekend in July, many make their way to the area, either by visiting friends and family, travelling in on their RV's, or spending the weekend at a nearby campground – so much so, that the festival has been garnered as a Top 100 Festival for 11 of its 20 years by Festival & Events Ontario.

Over the years, the festival's enticement builds as more attractions are added and the crowds grow. Today, the Mount Forest Fireworks Festival features amusements all weekend long, entertainment, music and an array of tastes. You can visibly view the local culture, as many community groups, volunteer residents and business sponsors, each add their own elements to the weekend long celebrations. During a recent survey of Wellington North residents, completed as part of our Cultural Plan update in 2021, 75 per cent of respondents considered the Mount Forest Fireworks Festival to be one of the two top tangible cultural assets in the Township of Wellington North.



Since the festival's inception, it has played host to one of the largest Classic Car Shows in Canada.

The traditional small town Main Street is closed off to drivers and is open to pedestrians, as thousands fill the artery and view over 500 classic cars lining the drag. The sky's are ignited with sparkling colours and the sounds of 'crackles', 'booms' and 'awes' as a spectacular fireworks display fills the overhead sky on Saturday evening with a smaller teaser show taking place this year on Friday evening to commemorate our 20th season.

There's always great entertainment and attractions that includes a bit of everything for all ages, which makes this festival, well – spectacular!

**Ignite Your Weekend
July 14-17, 2022**

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