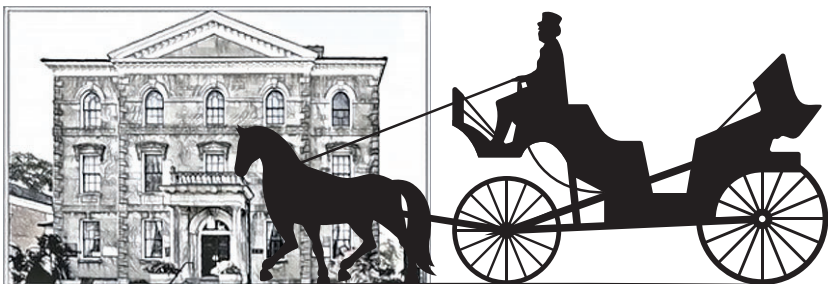




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October 17, 2023

Welcome to the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, one of Canada's most historic and picturesque communities. I am so pleased that the Toronto Chocolate Festival has chosen the Courthouse as the venue of choice to host The Chocolate Ball.



Our community is located at the tip of the Niagara Peninsula, alongside the shores of Lake Ontario. It was founded in the late 18th century and served as the first capital of Upper Canada. This historical significance makes the Courthouse an ideal location for the Taste of Bridgerton theme of the ball.

This event will bring together chocolate enthusiasts to support Prostate and Breast Cancer Initiatives, as well as Heart, Mind, and Soul Initiatives. Thank you to the organizers and attendees for supporting these important causes.

During your visit to Niagara-on-the-Lake, I hope you get some time to appreciate the town's natural beauty, as well as explore its historical landmarks and local attractions. These include some of Canada's best vineyards, orchards, and greenhouses, the highly acclaimed Shaw Festival Theatre, world-renowned wineries, and top-rated restaurants. We are excited to share our town's unique charm with you.

I hope you enjoy The Chocolate Ball and your time here in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Sincerely,

Gary Zalepa
Lord Mayor

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Welcome to the Chocolate Ball For a “Taste of Bridgerton” In Historic Niagara-on-the-Lake

It's hard to believe it has been four years since our last Chocolate Ball in Toronto thanks to the Covid pandemic. As we waited, we planned and we struggled through the challenges, along came a new series on Netflix that caught the attention of millions of viewers – and thus the Bridgerton theme was born and adopted for this year's return event. The Regency-era fit well with our new out-of-town location as it was the site of the War of 1812 – in particular, the Regency era.

So, in Bridgerton or otherwise known as Regency style, I welcome you to an evening of wine, chocolate, entertainment, and merriment at the Old Court House.

The Chance Card which you should keep with you at all times, identifies you with a number that which makes you eligible for one of several valuable door prizes. It is also this card that will get you your gift bag at the end of the evening not to mention helping you find your table.

If you've taken the initiative and time to attend in period costume, you will be rewarded for your efforts by Queen Chocolata and the Duke of DaLite. Retain your admission ticket if you wish to snag one of 20 other door prizes. The winning numbers will be posted near the coat check at the end of the night. Good luck!

I would like to thank the folks at Good Earth Food and Wine Co. for believing in our event and went out of their way to help us achieve a successful event by supporting us in many areas as our lead sponsor. These are noted elsewhere in this program. Thanks, of course, to all of our other wonderful sponsors and contributors who are also listed.

I would also like to thank all of my dedicated team and volunteers who put in hundreds of hours to achieve our goal in making you, the attendee, entertained and happy – because that's what we do.

The Chocolate Ball is the signature closing event of the annual Toronto Chocolate Festival which runs through the month of October each year offering a host of various events all “Powered by Chocolate”! Please visit www.TorontoChocolateFestival.com for updates on all our events in 2024.

On behalf of myself and the entire Chocolate Team, I thank you for joining us on this special night and supporting our “Heart, Mind and Soul Initiative”.

Chocolate Cheers
Joey Cee - Producer



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Gala Agenda

- 6:00
 - Doors Open
 - Photos at Photo Booth
 - Complimentary Wine served by Good Earth Food and Wine Co.
- 6:30
 - Ballroom Doors Open
 - Performance by Grace Notes Quartet
- 7:00
 - Chocolateria Doors Open
 - Performance by Grace Notes Quartet
- 7:30
 - The Chocolate Ball TDC Dancers
- 7:45
 - Queen Chocolata and Her Royal Court Enter The Ballroom
- 8:00
 - The Duke of DaLite Enters
 - Queen Chocolata Welcomes The Duke of DaLite
- 8:15
 - Queen and The Duke Welcome Period Costume Contestants
- 8:30
 - The Chocolate Ball TDC Dancers
- 8:45
 - The Best of the Ball: Selected Lady and Gentleman Announced
- 9:00
 - Duke has dance with the Lady
 - Queen has dance with the Gentleman
- 9:15
 - Ladies of the Court make Announcements and Acknowledgments
 - Chance Card Prize Draws
- 9:30
 - Duke and Queen and her Royal Court depart from the Ballroom
 - Duke and Queen visit Photo Booth for photos and sign autographs
 - Chocolateria Closes
- 9:45
 - DJ Lee Dancing to Closing (11 pm)
 - Swag Distribution Begins at Jailhouse
- 11:00
 - Conclusion of this year's Chocolate Ball Gala

**Subject to change.*

PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY.

Introducing the 2023 Chocolate Ball Royal Court



LIBERTY SILVER
as QUEEN CHOCOLATA



SEAN JONES
as DUKE OF DALITE



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QUEEN'S ROYAL COURT



TANIA KOLAR
QUEEN'S ROYAL COURT

FEATURED CHEFS

GOOD EARTH FOOD AND WINE Andrew Thorne, Executive Chef



Born and raised in Niagara, Andrew has always had a keen interest in the food and wine scene. Andrew has a gift for making food which is flavourful, beautiful and showcases the best in regional produce. Andrew is a true family man and loves to share the good things in life with those around him.

PRESTON REIGN Chef Dorothy Borg



Born and raised in Toronto, Dorothy Borg's extraordinary culinary career has left an indelible mark in both the film industry and the world of catering. With over two decades of dedicated service, she has cultivated a reputation as a food stylist, and a catering competitor.

GRACE NOTES QUARTET Performing Music in True Bridgerton Style



The Grace Notes Quartet is a team of passionate string players in Niagara who love bringing joy and music to your special events! Founded in 2015, the Grace Notes quartet has been creating live music experiences at events all over the Niagara region and GTA.

DEEJAY LEE Presents the Bridgerton Music Mashup for Dancing



DeeJay Lee, was born to entertain! With an abundance of musical knowledge, charisma, and unique skill, she has been taking people on a musical journey for years. With blazing mixes in all genres, DeeJay Lee epitomizes the versatility of a true open-format DJ.

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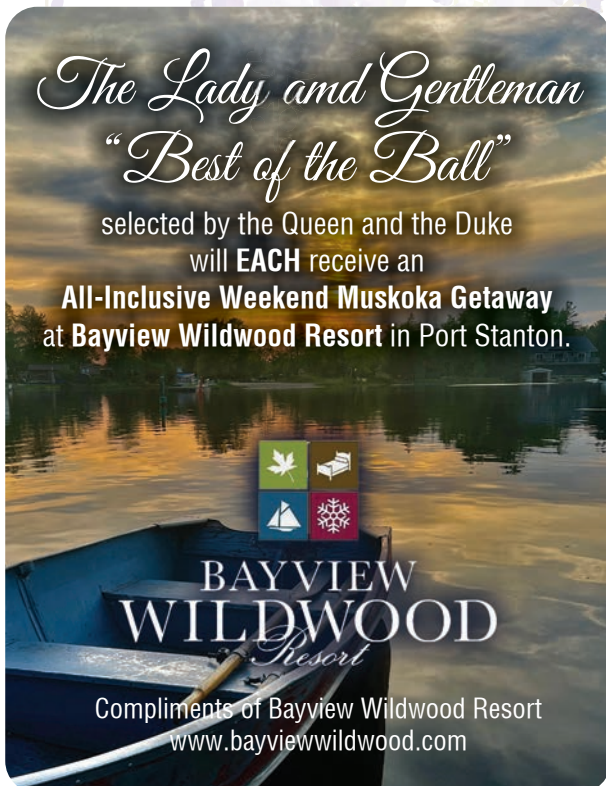
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