

November 2021 - Walk Schedule

<p>Monday November 1 1:00 pm</p>	<p>The Creeks of High Park - nature and heritage Leader: Paul Overy Location: High Park Meeting spot: At the park entrance at the southwest corner of Bloor Street W. and Parkside Drive. This is a 2 hour linear walk covering 4 km over mostly unpaved but even surfaces. There are gentle slopes with some steep slopes. We will explore the courses of Spring Creek and Wendigo Creek, which have helped shape High Park, as well as the Laurentian Channel, one of the remaining ancient rivers in southern Ontario, which continues to flow today, and informs us about how High Park...and much of the Toronto region...evolved. We will also explore some of the unique natural features of the park as well as Indigenous and settler human history of the High Park area. The walk will be on a mix of soil and paved paths, ending near the High Park subway station. There will be a drop-out point at the Queensway. This walk will be of moderate difficulty, with many hills and a few steep slopes (which we'll avoid if the ground is wet). Stairs: There are stairs. What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera, water and snacks if you wish. Dress appropriately for the weather and please wear appropriate footwear with treads to walk safely on soil paths. The route we choose will be decided based on walking conditions and accessibility considerations. Washrooms: Washrooms are available along the way. TTC: Keele Street subway station on line 2. Walk Leader Cell Number: 647.229.1191</p>
<p>Sunday November 7 10:00 am</p>	<p>Garrison Creek, Ontario Place, Trillium Park, Bentway, Victoria Square - heritage Leader: Richard Longley Location: Garrison Creek, Ontario Place, Trillium Park, Bentway, Victoria Square Meeting spot: Christie Pits (NW corner Christie and Bloor, Christie TTC) This is a 3 hour linear walk covering 8 km over mostly paved, fairly flat surfaces. Discover Toronto history from the end of the Ice Age to the future of Ontario Place with much in between. Will aim for lunch at the Wellington pub (close to both the King and Bathurst streetcars). Optional end at Princes' Gates, CNE (streetcars to Dufferin, Bathurst, Union stations). What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera, water and snacks if you wish. Dress appropriately for the weather. Proof of vaccination will be needed for those joining lunch at the Wellington Pub. Washrooms: Washrooms are available along the way. TTC: Christie subway station on line 2. Walk Leader Cell Number: 647.354.5353 NOTE: CLOCKS FALL BACK AT 2:00 A.M. ON NOV. 7TH</p>

<p>Tuesday November 16 9:00 am</p>	<p>Leslie Street Spit - nature walk Leader: Charles Bruce-Thompson Location: Tommy Thompson Park Meeting spot: Entrance to the park at 1 Leslie Street. This is a 3 hour circular route covering 8 km over mostly paved and fairly flat surfaces. We'll walk as far as the new pedestrian bridge, and further if the weather cooperates. Participants can turn back at any point if they'd prefer a shorter walk. What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera if you wish, water and snacks. Dress appropriately for the weather as it can be windier on The Spit than elsewhere. Washrooms: Washrooms are available along the way. TTC: From the Donlands subway station on line 2, take the #83 bus south to Leslie and Commissioners Streets. From there it is about an 11 minute walk to the meeting spot (about ¾ of a kilometer). Parking: The parking lot for the park is closed for construction work, but there is parking available on Leslie Street and Unwin Street. Walk Leader Cell Number: 416.778.5340</p>
<p>Saturday November 20 9:30 am</p>	<p>Rosedale, Milkman's Lane and Brickworks - nature and heritage Leader: Ellen Schwartzel Location: Rosedale, Milkman's Lane and Brickworks Meeting spot: Sherbourne Subway station at street level; come up at Sherbourne Street exit. We will cross Bloor Street to the north side; then east to the pedestrian bridge across Rosedale Valley Road, then follow Glen Road to Milkman's Lane. This is a 3 hour circular route covering 5 km over mostly unpaved and uneven surfaces with gentle slopes and some steep slopes. A Saturday morning walk through Rosedale and then down into the ravines at Milkman's Lane. Maple and oak woods cloak the hillsides. At the Brickworks, we can warm up with coffee and eat lunch. We will check the Brickworks wetlands for fall birds and reflect on the restoration of this site. The Evergreen Farmers Market is expected to be open. We will double back through Rosedale, with an option to walk to Castlefrank Subway station rather than Sherbourne. Stairs: There are stairs What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera if you wish, water and lunch. Dress appropriately for the weather. Consider a walking stick and it could be muddy. Washrooms: Washrooms are available along the way. TTC: Sherbourne subway station on line 2. Walk Leader Cell Number: 647.463.5562</p>

<p>Friday November 26 9:00 am</p>	<p>Waterfront Trail – Coronation Park to Ontario Place - nature Leader: Zunaid Khan Location: Waterfront trail – Coronation Park to Ontario Place Meeting spot: By large flag pole in Coronation Park This is a 2-3 hour circular route covering 5-8 km over mostly paved, flat surfaces with some gentle slopes. We will walk along the waterfront trail starting in Coronation Park towards Trillium Park and Ontario Place. Enjoying views of the lake and looking out for winter ducks. A circular route will end at our starting point in Coronation Park. We will mostly be looking for winter duck species including the long tailed duck, red-breasted merganser, buffleheads and scaups. What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera, water and snacks if you wish. Dress appropriately for the weather. Washrooms: At the beginning, along the way and at the end. Parking: There are parking lots at Ontario Place. Walk Leader Cell Number: 416.716.6464</p>
<p>Sunday November 28 10:00 am</p>	<p>Liberty Village, Exhibition Place, Bentway, City Place, Grange Park, AGO - heritage Leader: Richard Longley Location: Liberty Village, Exhibition Place, Bentway, City Place, Grange Park, AGO Meeting spot: Dufferin TTC (NW corner, Dufferin and Bloor) This is a 3 hour linear walk covering 9 km over mostly paved, fairly flat surfaces. Be an open planner. Imagine the future of Liberty Village, it's better integration with Exhibition Place, Ontario Place. Aim for lunch at the Brazen Head in Liberty Village. Numerous early walk end options include Princes' Gates, CNE (streetcars to Dufferin, Bathurst, Union Stns). AGO walk end on Dundas streetcar, close to Spadina streetcar (via Chinatown), Dundas Stn (University Ave). What to bring: Masks, binoculars, camera, water and snacks if you wish. Dress appropriately for the weather. Proof of vaccination will be needed for those joining lunch at Brazen Head. Washrooms: Washrooms are available along the way. TTC: Dufferin subway station on line 2. Walk Leader Cell Number: 647.354.5353</p>