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Bikes/Benches/ Canoes & Beyond invites London to participate in a new summer celebration of public art during June, July and August.

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# London's Bicycle Festival

*June 1-9,  
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## Cycling safety - A primer

- lunch and learn session

**Friday, June 1 Noon**

**City Hall Room #1,  
300 Dufferin at Wellington**

Do you want to be part of the two wheel "revolution" but need some inspiration? Join Gosse van Oosten - CAN Bike Instructor and City of London Bicycle Advisory Committee member. Attend this introduction to commuter cycling safety and be eligible to win terrific door prizes. RSVP - 661-5389

## June 1 Public reception for 'OPEN AIR' artists.

7:00 pm. Bikes, benches, canoes and beyond - Covent Garden Market.

**June 1-29** Open studios and artist workshops featuring the production of art works for the 'OPEN AIR' public art project. Covent Garden Market and Galleria daily during business hours.

**Presented By:** OpenAir

## 90 Minutes To Safer Bicycling for Children Saturday, June 2

Start times - 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and noon.  
Kensal Park Public School, 328 Springbank Drive.

Kids CAN-BIKE, a 90 minute safe cycling program for children 8 to 13 years old provides instruction on bike handling skills. Trained instructors will introduce key bike handling skills and training required to children who are beginning to ride independently on the road. Bring your bike, helmet and wear suitable shoes. A parental signature (waiver) is required before starting. We urge an adult attend with the child.

**Presented By:** Bicycle Festival Committee

## Inline Skate Tour

**Saturday, June 2 and Sunday, June 3**

8:00 am, Starts from soccer field off Greenside Drive, east side of Greenway Park.  
Weather permitting, join the Forest City Rollers Inline Skate Club for a tour around the park 10-12 km.

**Presented by:** Forest City Rollers Inline Skate Club, Keith Gare Coordinator - Information 679-0428, [www.forestcityrollers.com](http://www.forestcityrollers.com)

## London Covent Garden Market Breakfast and Bicycle Check-Ups

**June 4 through June 8**

7:00 am - 9:00 am London Covent Garden

Bicycling, transit riding, inline skating or walking to work or recreation, stop by for a free breakfast, and a bicycle check-up courtesy of several London bike shops. Prizes, related exhibits.

## Inline Skate Clinic

**Monday June 4 - Friday June 9**

7:00 am - 9:00 am, London Covent Garden Market

Inline skate clinic with expert information on skate maintenance, wheel rotation, safety, stopping and braking.

**Presented By:** Forest City Rollers Inline Skate Club, Keith Gare - Coordinator, IISA Certified Level 1 and 2 Inline Skating Instructor. For information - 679-0428

## Canadian Commuter Challenge

**June 4 through June 8**

It's time again to park your car and choose another way to get to work. The commuter challenge is an opportunity for you to participate in a National event that inspires Canadians to walk, skate, bike, carpool, or take the bus to work.

Join us each morning at Covent Garden Market for muffins and coffee and be sure to register for the commuter challenge. For more information or to register your work group please contact the City TDM office at 661-5389, or email [lemele@city.london.on.ca](mailto:lemele@city.london.on.ca).

## Answers to your Bicycle Touring Questions

**Monday, June 4**

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - The Athletic Club "Community Health and Wellness Program" - 755 Wonderland Road N., 1 block n. of Oxford. Door prizes. Pre-register 471-7181

Bring your bicycle touring questions - or send them by email to [info@biketours.on.ca](mailto:info@biketours.on.ca) in advance. Let Howard Pulver experienced with bicycle touring throughout Ontario and in areas of the US and Europe answer all of your questions about routes, maps, organized tours, clothing, equipment, safety, training, diet or anything else.

## Repairing your Bike

**Tuesday, June 5**

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Crouch Library Centre, 550 Hamilton Road.  
Door prizes from To Wheels.

Join Steve Robson, author of "The Home Builders Guide to Recumbent Bicycles" and builder of several recumbent bicycles and road bikes with a talk on the basics of getting your old bike into good running condition by looking at how things work and the repair process including the basics of taking your bike apart, studying wear zones, and ways of getting a low cost repair. Talk should give a better understanding of what questions to ask a bike shop when taking a bike in for repairs.

**June 6-10**

'OPEN AIR' at the International Children's Festival - Victoria Park. Artist workshops and demonstrations on art bikes, canoes. Festival hours.

**June 8-10**

'OPEN AIR' features Chalk Talk, London's first sidewalk art festival. Reg Cooper Square. 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

Images based on bikes, benches and canoes. Team competitions and individual entries for all ages. Join in the fun and creativity.

## Clean Air Week's Environment Day

**City-Wide Wednesday, June 6**

**Bicycle Ride N. London Wednesday, June 6**

9:30 am Greenside Drive parking lot, east side of Greenway Park.

Enjoy a leisurely ride of 15 km through Gibbons Park and UWO with stops along the way with an energetic retired group of folks whose motto is "Life is not a spectator sport."

**Pre-register 438-7888**

**Presented by the Huff Puff Pedal Pushers**

## Bike Paths and Routes in London:

**Info Session Wednesday, June 6**

12:15 pm - 1:30 pm, Committee Room 3, City Hall Lobby, 300 Dufferin at Wellington

Learn about the bicycle path and route system in the city and what extensions and improvements are being planned for the future. Share your thoughts and ideas with the London Bicycle Advisory Committee and City Staff. Bring your lunch.

**Presented By:** London Bicycle Advisory Committee and London's Traffic Division

## Inline Skate Tour

**Wed. June 6**

6:30 pm, Starts from Victoria Park Streetscape, weather permitting.

Join the Forest City Rollers Inline Skate Club for a tour 12 to 14 km on streets and paths.

**Presented by:** Forest City Rollers Inline Skate Club, Keith Gare Coordinator - Information 679-0428

## Try out a Recumbent Bike

**Thursday, June 7**

During this day's breakfast sponsored by the Outdoor Farmers Market 7:00 am - 9 am

## Cycling Safety

**Thursday, June 7**

Cycling related video and talk on the benefits of cycling to health, environment and our economy.

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Grosvenor Lodge, 1017 Western Road.

**Presented by:** Gosse van Oosten

## The London Bicycle Festival "Bent" Bike Tour

**Saturday, June 9**

9:00 am - 10:00 am, First Cycle-works, 525 First Street near Dundas

"The Bent Event" A casual gathering of resources about recumbent bicycles. Meet riders, hear about features and benefits, and see both home built and manufactured recumbent bikes.

10:00 am - Ride begins from First Cycleworks.

Join us on a 80 km bike tour of the county side to St. Thomas. An optional shorter 50 km route takes you to Belmont and back. The ride returns to London along the London link to the Trans Canada trail. Optional longer route down to Port Stanley. All welcome. London Route maps available at sign in.

Use multi-gear bicycles, in good working order. Water bottle, snack, spare inner tube, air, pump and change for phone are recommended. Wear your helmet.

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