



What's New in '22

Beaverbrook Art Gallery The new Harrison McCain Pavilion is nearing completion at the Beaverbrook Art Gallery with an anticipated July 1 opening date. The Pavilion will add 9000 ft² creating an accessible larger entrance, expanded gift shop, café and more gallery space. On the Green beside the Gallery, there are new additions to the public art collection with statues of Lord Beaverbrook and Robert Burns and the Sir James Dunn Memorial "Three Graces" fountain.

Historic Garrison District Revitalization

A multi-million dollar [makeover](#) to the Historic Garrison District area continues with an expected completion date of late 2022/early 2023. Once complete there will be a Great Lawn, new performance stage and a new children's play area. There will also be a water feature, a multi-use plaza for events and parking and a new replica ornamental cast-iron fence around the district.

Garrison Night Market back on for 2022



Due to COVID, the market did not operate in 2020 and 2021, but plans are underway for 2022. The Market features over 100 vendors selling local and imported handmade products, art, craft & design, and locally-grown farm products. Buskers, food trucks, craft beer garden and local musicians add to the festive atmosphere. The market will take place Thursday nights from June 9 to Sept. 8 from 4:30-9pm.

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In September 2022, the **NB Provincial Exhibition**, celebrates 195 years of its annual week long fair featuring an agricultural show, draft horse show, stage shows and commercial exhibits along with lots of carnival games, mid-way rides and food including the famous "dippy dog".

Aitkens Pewter turns 50 in 2022. The Aitkens Pewter story began in 1972, when 17 year old Martin Aitken apprenticed with well-known pewterer Dr. Ivan Crowell (founder of the NB College of Craft & Design) and set up his own shop in the city. His father joined him and the Aitkens "touchmark", the triple A in a circle born. 50 years later, that touchmark still represents the quality and craftsmanship that goes into every piece made.

2023 marks 40 years of the **NB Highland Games Festival** sharing Scottish culture through music, games, food and drink. World-class Piping and Drumming, crowd favourite- Massed Bands, Caber-tossing and other traditional sporting events, highland dancing, Celtic music, Gaelic language, and genealogy and Scottish treats-haggis anyone?

Cultural Expressions Festival, coordinated by the Multicultural Association of Fredericton, in partnership with local ethno cultural groups will celebrate year 15 of their multi- day festival.

Looking ahead... In 2023, Fredericton will be 175 years old, our Dodransbicentennial!



New on the Food & Drink Scene

The Crowne Plaza Lord Beaverbrook hotel decided while closed due to COVID, to re-brand their restaurant.

Maxwells Steak & Seafood is now a classic steakhouse with a Maritime twist, featuring classic dishes, comfort food and a variety of steaks from across Canada handpicked by new Executive Chef Rob Reynolds. Along with a wide selection of side dishes and sauces to accompany the steak, there's fresh local seafood.

Dos Toros Taqueria & Tequila Bar This new lively spot on Queen St opened late 2021 and offers Mexican inspired food, a large tequila selection and creative cocktails.

The Tippy Muse is a busy hub for artists and musicians with regular live music, art installations, poetry and film screenings. Owners have taken their passions for coffee and the arts to create cafe experiences like Coffee Seminars and a hands-on Barista Experience.

Traditional Indigenous Dinners at Jenna's Nut-Free Dessertery Jenna White's new café offers delicious treats, lunch and breakfast with items like chicken & wild rice soup, three-sisters soup and breakfast sandwiches on bannock. Jenna is proudly Metis and displays her Indigenous heritage on a colorful mural on the café walls painted by Wolastoqiyik Indigenous artist, Natalie Sappier. Jenna is now offering seasonal **Traditional Indigenous Dinner** events and this winter's menu features things like bison, rabbit, pheasant and Wabanaki salmon.

Namaste Bistro, opening downtown in January, offers curries from different regions of India, clay oven baked naan bread and a wine collection that pairs perfectly with mild and spicy curries.

Warung Indonesia- The popular food truck that started out at The Garrison Night Market, opened a permanent location in King's Place Mall food court downtown. Longtime friends and owners Natali Caswell and Dellya Estey are excited to bring the flavours of their native Indonesia to more people in Fredericton.

The **Asian Food Market** is a great new option to shop for far eastern foods. The 4000 ft² offers many Asian food products and has a party room with piano and place to enjoy a bubble tea.



New & Noteworthy Accommodations

The Red House B&B This Gothic Revival Victorian has graced downtown Fredericton since 1859 with its distinctive red clapboard and white gingerbread trim. The owners/innkeepers John and Monica Antworth have lovingly restored Monica's childhood home and opened up this 6 room B&B this past summer.

Mangata Mactaquac offers A-frame luxurious cabins with a third cabin ready this spring. The cabins have a wood fired hot tub, outdoor fire pit with cooking grill and are on a beautiful property with streams, waterfall, hiking, biking, and just steps to the hiking trails of Mactaquac Provincial Park.

River Run Resort is a new camping option, located just 30 minutes from downtown. Fully equipped domes have a queen bed on the main level, 2 singles in the loft, mini fridge, microwave & a propane bbq on the deck.

New Shops & Fun Stops

The **Artisan District** opened late 2021, a new venture for owner Andrea Miller. In this fine craft gift shop downtown, you'll find curated collections of pottery, blown glass, woodworking, fine art, jewelry, and textiles - all by Maritime artisans.

Par 94 Bar and Golf Lounge opened late fall in the heart of downtown. Outfitted with 4 state-of-the-art Trackman golf simulators, it's one of the largest bars in the city. Each simulator area can host up to 8 guests for a virtual round of golf, practicing, or playing minigames.. On weekend nights Maritime summers keep going with lawn games-Washer Toss, Cornhole, Giant Jenga, and more.

Mint Rentals is a new tour operator on site at the Delta Fredericton, offering hydro-bikes and electric scooters for rent by the hour. Fredericton's 120km of trail is steps away from the rental company.

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Eighty Three Bar Arcade - opened late December downtown. Revisit the arcades of the 80's and 90's, a place for adult gamers to indulge in the classics. Featuring classic arcade games, pinball machines and music videos from the 70's, 80's and 90's.

Broken Record Bar and Music Room is a locally owned and operated downtown bar that opened on NYE. Owner, Fredericton musician Trevor Young, wanted a place where music lovers can gather to enjoy a pint and a show. He was also excited to provide a new stage for New Brunswick bands.

The Dandy- Paint Lounge is an art café that opened Dec 31 and is a dandy spot to enjoy beer, wine or coffee while creating your own painting on a canvas, ukulele or skateboard deck!

Gibson Landing, Marysville -Radical Edge, partnering with Milltown Roasters is transforming an historic 3 storey Marysville building into a social hub for the area. It will be part café serving beer on tap, fresh brewed coffee and ice cream, and part bike shop. The trail is right behind the building so another great stop on the taproom trail. The Marysville historical building was originally Boss Gibson's General Store in 1860's. The plan is to be open this summer.

Fun Fredericton Fact

Fredericton's Victoria Circle was named '**INTERNATIONAL ROUNDABOUT OF THE YEAR**' by the United Kingdom's Roundabout Appreciation Society! Our local roundabout will be featured on the coveted society's annual roundabouts of the world calendar.

Soon after it's opening in the fall of 2019, a public art piece by nationally recognized artist, Marlene Hilton Moore, was installed. The artist was inspired by the Saint John River, stars and Fredericton's history. The installation entitled *Blue Circle*. features two large semi-circles that represent the north and the south banks of the Saint John River, as well as the original layout of the town plat in two parts. The two halves are angled up and down to define the city as it continues to grow and change.

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- Cultural Capital of Canada
- Poets' Corner of Canada
- Celestial City
- Pewtersmith Capital of Canada

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