



Rockin' Mineral Shows

There's nothing like a Rock and Mineral show to inspire budding rock collectors or future geologists. Visitors can see thousands of beautiful rock and crystal specimens, and can learn a great deal from knowledgeable rock hounds who are passionate about their subject. Ontario has numerous Rock and Mineral shows throughout the year, in various locations.

During the school year, a class field trip would nicely complement the Earth sciences curriculum. Several shows are scheduled in July and August, so teachers should encourage students to include one in their summer plans. Keep the included list on hand to check for the shows in your area.

Ontario Rock & Mineral Shows

Bancroft

Rockhound Gemboree
Bancroft & District Chamber of Commerce
July-August, Civic Holiday weekend
Bancroft Arena (North Hastings Community Centre)
Bancroft, ON
Tel.: (613) 332-1513
Web site: http://www.bancroftdistrict.com/Tourism/rock_hound_gem.php

Bancroft Gem & Mineral Club Rock Swap
July, last Saturday
Bancroft Legion Hall
Bancroft, ON
Tel.: (613) 332-8274

Brampton

Brampton Rock and Mineral Club
April, 3rd weekend
Central Peel Secondary School
32 Kennedy Road N.
Brampton, ON
Tel.: (905) 792-1798

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Burlington

Gem and Mineral Club of Burlington
November, 2nd weekend
Mainway Recreation Centre
4015 Mainway
Burlington, ON
Tel.: (905) 336-1206
E-mail: oliverdf@interlynx.net

Kingston

Kingston Lapidary and Mineral Club
October, 1st weekend
Portsmouth Olympic Harbour, King Street
Kingston, ON
Tel.: (613) 384-4439
E-mail: moss@kingston.net

Niagara Falls

Niagara Falls Mineral Show
March, 1st weekend
Niagara Falls Museum
5651 River Road
Niagara Falls, ON
Tel.: (905) 356-2151

North Bay

Nipissing Lapidary & Mineral Club
April, last weekend
Northgate Square (Highway 17 & 11 Bypass)
North Bay, ON
Tel.: (705) 472-1483

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Norwood

Kawartha Rock & Fossil Club
Show & Swap
July 1st weekend
Norwood Sports Complex
Alma Street
Norwood, ON
Tel.: (705) 639-1766, (705) 639-2406
E-mail: mark.stanley@sympatico.ca

Ottawa

Ottawa Lapsmith & Mineral Club
September, last weekend
Nepean Sportsplex
1701 Woodroffe Avenue
Nepean, ON
Tel.: (819) 827-3071
E-mail: lochhead@sympatico.ca

Paris

Brantford Lapidary and Mineral Society Inc.
April, 2nd weekend
Paris Fair Grounds
139 Silver Street
Paris, ON
Tel.: (905) 628-6298

Sarnia

Sarnia Rock and Fossil Club
May, 2nd weekend (1992 and biannually)
Lambton Mall (Clearwater)
Sarnia, ON



Southampton

Visions of Stone
July, 3rd weekend
Southampton Coliseum
Southampton, ON
Tel.: (519) 371-5422

St. Catharines

Niagara Peninsula Geological Society
October, 3rd weekend
Brock University
500 Glenridge Avenue
St. Catharines, ON
Tel.: (905) 646-7549
E-mail: npgs_info@sympatico.ca

Sudbury

Sudbury Rock and Lapidary Society
July, 3rd weekend
Carmichael Arena, Bancroft Drive
Sudbury, ON
Tel.: (705) 522-5140
E-mail: mineral@isys.ca

Thunder Bay

Thunder Bay Lapidary Society Gem and Mineral Show
July, 2nd weekend
West Arthur Community Centre
R.R. #2, 1914 West Arthur Street
Thunder Bay, ON
Tel.: (807) 577-6661



Toronto (Greater Toronto Area)

Gem and Mineral Club of Scarborough
September, 3rd weekend
Mid-Scarborough Community Centre
2467 Eglinton Avenue E.
Scarborough, ON
Tel.: (416) 282-5319, (416) 282-0444
E-mail: scarbgemclub@lycos.com

Skyway Gem and Mineral Show
October, 4th weekend
Skyway Trade Centre
65 Skyway Avenue
Toronto, ON
Tel.: (514) 989-9800
E-mail: torontogemshow@canada.com
Web site: <http://www.torontogemshow.com>

Toronto Gem & Mineral Show
April, 4th weekend
Oriole Community Centre
2975 Don Mills West
North York, ON
Tel.: (416) 830-6621
Fax: (416) 989-0321

Willowdale Gem and Mineral Club
March, 3rd weekend
Armour Heights Community Centre
Avenue Road at Wilson Avenue
Willowdale, ON
Tel.: (416) 630-4914



Waterloo

Kitchener-Waterloo Gem and Mineral Show
May, 1st weekend
Waterloo Community Arts Centre
25 Regina Street S.
Waterloo, ON
Tel.: (519) 747-9874

Wilberforce

Wilberforce Rock & Gem Show
July, last weekend
Monmouth Arena
Wilberforce, ON
Tel.: (705) 448-1908
Toll free: 1-800-461-7677
E-mail: show@rock-shop.net