

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



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: <u>moss@kingston.net</u>

Niagara Falls

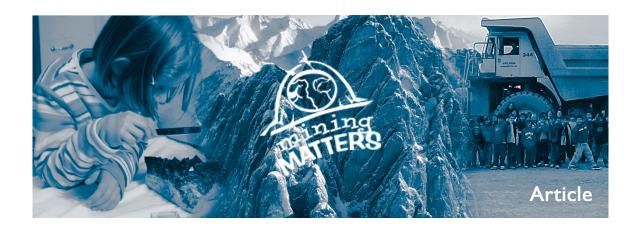
Niagara Falls Mineral Show March, 1st weekend Niagara Falls Museum 5651 River Road Niagara Falls, ON

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



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

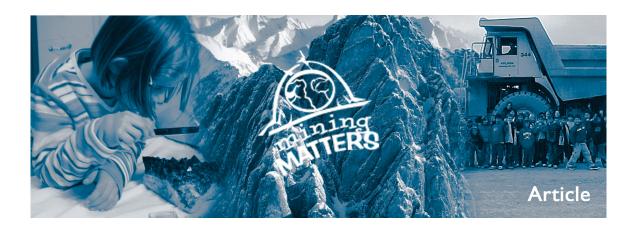
Sudbury Rock and Lapidary Society July, 3rd weekend Carmichael Arena, Bancroft Drive Sudbury, ON

Tel.: (705) 522-5140 E-mail: <u>mineral@isys.ca</u>

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: <u>scarbgemclub@lycos.com</u>

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