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Grange Festival Celebrates 85 Years of Culture, Connection, and Community

University Settlement to Host Free, Family-Friendly Community Fair on August 7

Day and Date: Friday, August 7, 2026

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Grange Park, 26 Grange Road, Toronto

Admission: FREE! Everyone is welcome. Rain or Shine!

Toronto, ON —University Settlement will welcome thousand of community members to Grange Park on August 7 for the 85th annual Grange Festival, a long-standing Toronto tradition celebrating culture, connection, and community. The Grange Festival welcomes more than 4500 participants each year and features performances, community organizations, activities, and opportunities for neighbours of all ages to connect. This multicultural, intergenerational event will be honoured by the presence of Mayor Olivia Chow, Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik and MPP Chris Glover, highlighting its significance as a cultural landmark in the city.

“For 85 years, the Grange Festival has reflected what makes Toronto special—neighbours coming together across generations, cultures, and experiences. As we celebrate this milestone, we honour the history of our community while continuing our commitment to creating spaces where everyone feels welcomed and connected,” said Wendy Sung-Aad, Executive Director of University Settlement.

At this year’s festival, attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Explore community tables from more than 25 Toronto-based organizations
- Enjoy live performances by local artists, including dance and music representing the city’s diverse cultural communities, as well as performances from University Settlement’s Music & Arts School and Seniors Programs
- Participate in free games and activities, and enjoy free treats, including hot dogs, ice cream, snow cones, popcorn, and cotton candy



This year's edition is made possible through the generous support of our sponsors International Data Financial Services (IFDS), the Kiwanis Club of Casa Loma, ecobee by Generac and KPMG.

The Grange Festival's rich history dates to its origins as the Spring Festival in the early 1900s, when it featured music, drama, and neighbourhood parades. The festival in its current form has been celebrated for 85 years. and stands as a testament to the resilience and unity of Toronto's diverse communities, with values that closely align with University Settlement's mission.

University Settlement is proud to host an event that reflects its longstanding commitment to supporting families, seniors, newcomers, and immigrants, and to fostering inclusion, connection, and community well-being.

About University Settlement

Founded in 1910, University Settlement is Toronto's oldest settlement organization. We are a multi-service agency offering a wide range of services including Licensed Day Care, Sports & Recreation, Children's programs, After-school and Camps, Settlement & Newcomers Services, Senior Programs and Wellness Initiatives, Music and Arts Programs. Each year, University Settlement serves more than 12000 children, youth, adults, and seniors through programs that foster well-being, inclusion, and community connection. Our three locations across downtown Toronto and North York are strategically located to serve its diverse and multi-generational communities.

Event Details

For more information about the 85th Annual Grange Festival, kindly visit

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