

BLACKNESS YES PRESENTS

TORONTO BLACK PRIDE

2023



03 AUGUST

OFFICIAL GUIDE

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BLACK & QUEER



EVENTS



COMMUNITY



TORONTO BLACK PRIDE GUIDE




THURSDAY
AUGUST 3RD -
MONDAY AUGUST
7TH

TORONTO BLACK PRIDE WAS
CREATED IN 2018 BY BLACKNESS
YES! TO PROMOTE THE MANY
BLACK-RUN EVENTS & HAPPENINGS
OVER TORONTO CARNIVAL
(CARIBANA) WEEKEND. TORONTO
BLACK PRIDE IS A MOVEMENT OF
CELEBRATION, CONVERSATIONS,
AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR BLACK
ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT, AND IS
GROWING EVERY YEAR.
BLACKNESS YES! WORKS WITH THIS
CITY'S ARTISTS AND ORGANIZERS
TO PROMOTE AFRICAN, BLACK AND
CARIBBEAN LGBTQI+ ARTS &
COMMUNITY ACROSS THE GTA





BLACKNESS YES! HAS A 24-YEAR HISTORY OF CREATING, BUILDING, AND SUSTAINING SAFE SPACES FOR AFRICAN, BLACK, AND CARIBBEAN LGBTQI+ COMMUNITIES THROUGH ART, MUSIC, AIDS AWARENESS AND OUTREACH. BLACKNESS YES! AND BLOCKORAMA WERE CREATED IN 1999 DUE TO LACK OF REPRESENTATION DURING MAINSTREAM TORONTO PRIDE. BLOCKO HAS GROWN INTO THE LONGEST RUNNING AND LARGEST EVENT DURING THE FESTIVAL, AND FOR AFRICAN, BLACK AND CARIBBEAN LGBTQ FOLK IN THE COUNTRY. BLACKNESS YES! CREATED BLOCKOBANAIN 2010, TAKING PLACE DURING TORONTO CARNIVAL (CARIBANA) / EMANCIPATION DAY WEEKEND.



BLACKNESS YES! IS A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS YEAR ROUND TO RAISE THE MONEY TO THROW THIS FREE EVENT. IF YOU'RE ABLE, WE'RE ACCEPTING DONATIONS AT [PAYPAL.ME/BLACKNESSYES](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?url=https://www.blacknessyes.org)



Friday, August 4

Jerk

Bambii, Lady Lykez, Playgirl,
Teeno + Special Guests

131 McCormack St
9pm



Tallawah

(powered by smokedTO)

Jordior, Teoni, JustKike, Hangalle,
Audiotoks



Hush Hush Bar 423 College St
10pm-3:30am

Queerabana

Pogi, Rem Rxch

Hail Mary - 582 College St
10pm - 2am



Blouse & Skirt: Caribana Kiki Ball

Presented by King Louboutin & TKBA present
519 Community Centre, 6pm

Dutty Friday

Recklezz, Tangerine, Snuggz, & Young Zee
Glad Day Bookshop - 499 Church St

Saturday, August 5



GO HARD

SATURDAY AUGUST 5TH 2023.
CARIBANA WEEKEND

GO HARD PRESENTS: CHOCOLATE CITY

Blackcat, Pleasure, Prestige, Pogi

Impact Lounge,
238 Parliament St, Toronto
10:30pm



Sunday, August 6



BLOCKOBANA 2023

12pm – Just Kike

1:30pm – Craig Dominic

2:45pm – Cookie Doh

4:00pm – REDLINERS

5:15pm – Afrique Like Me

6:30pm – Devine Darlin

6:35pm Toronto Kiki Ballroom Alliance

LSS + 2 Categories, \$200 Each

7:15pm Prestige

8:30pm – Pogi

9:45pm – Blackcat

BLOCKOBANA STACKT MARKET

28 Bathurst St, Toronto

12pm - 11pm

Vendors:

Women's Health in Women's Hands

Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre

Taibu

The Enchante Network

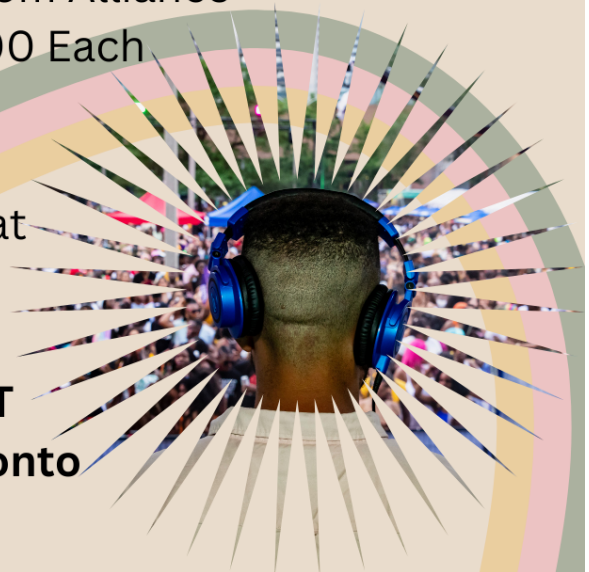
Uplift Black

Diner's Corner

Sweethand Delights

Buns Of Steele

Zero Bar



This event is made possible by Toronto Arts Council and Ontario Arts Council



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Jordior, REDLINERS, Blackcat, Jash Jay
El Mocambo, 464 Spadina Ave
10pm

Black Owned Businesses

<p>Fashion <u>Toni Marlow</u> <u>L'uomo Strano</u></p>	<p>Community <u>Blackness Yes!</u> <u>Bountiful Pride</u> <u>The Enchante Network</u> <u>Uplift Black</u></p>	<p>Services <u>Taslan Protective Services</u></p>	<p>Visual Artists <u>Gloria C. Swain</u> <u>Pogi The Artist</u></p>
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Beauty

Defined Locs & Beauty
Jayde DalocDoc Hair Services
Luv N Locs
Tru Tattoo



Food



Diners Corner
Sweethand Delights
Andre Caters 2 U
Zero Cocktail Bar
Chef D

Arts

Fraser Collins - Videography.
Deveanae Bryce - Photography.
Good Eye Storytelling - Photography.
Lightplay Society & Collective Wonder - Photography.



Health Services



BlackCAP
Women's Health in Women's Hands
Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre
Taibu

Lifestyle

Cozy Zabana - Candles
Walkers Soap - Soaps
Mango Lillie - Wearable Art & Bold Earrings
Bubbles Lip Cosmetics - Cosmetics

