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## Deadlines

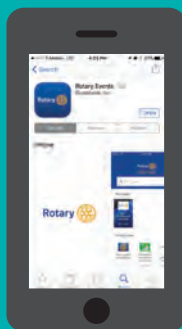
Deadline	Fee (US\$)	
	Rotarians	Rotaractors
15 December 2017	\$345	\$70
31 March 2018	\$420	\$100
After 31 March 2018 until the convention closes	\$495	\$130
Cancellation deadline: 30 April 2018		

**New this year!** Receive \$10 off your full adult registration fee if you register online by 31 March 2018.

## The entire convention in the palm of your hand

Our Rotary Events app helps you plan your schedule, connect with new friends, and uncover the best of what our convention and host city has to offer.

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# Inspiration AROUND EVERY CORNER IN TORONTO

**ROTARY CONVENTION**  
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA  
23-27 JUNE 2018



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Dear fellow Rotarians,

We look forward to welcoming you to the 109th Rotary International Convention in Toronto, where you'll find inspiration around every corner. The convention is an incredible opportunity to meet fellow Rotarians from around the world, exchange ideas, and learn from each other. It's the best way there is to celebrate a year of successful service and renew our energies for the year to come.

As a global center of business, finance, arts, and culture, Toronto is vibrant, friendly, and diverse — just like Rotary. And like Rotary, Canada's largest city offers something for everyone: museums, restaurants and shopping, stunning architecture, and easy access to the natural beauty for which Canada is justly famous.

This year will mark the 50th anniversary of Rotaract. From its beginnings as a small youth program in North Carolina, USA, Rotaract has blossomed into one of Rotary's largest programs, offering opportunities for service, friendship, and growth to more than 291,000 young people in over 9,500 clubs globally. We look forward to welcoming Rotaractors to Toronto and celebrating this milestone anniversary with them.

All through the year, as we serve in our clubs, we know that we are not alone, that we are part of a global organization that reaches nearly every country of the world. Our annual convention is a wonderful opportunity, the closest we can come to meeting them all — the 1.2 million men and women in *Rotary: Making a Difference*.

Sincerely,



Ian H.S. Riseley  
2017-18 RI President



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# WELCOME TO TORONTO

The rich histories and diverse cultures of more than 140 visitor-friendly neighborhoods converge in Toronto, where Rotarians will find inspiration on every block, in every street, and around every corner.

## A vibrant quilt of communities

Downtown Toronto is home to some of North America's most popular attractions, including the soaring CN Tower, Royal Ontario Museum, Ripley's Aquarium, and the Hockey Hall of Fame — as well as a wide array of fantastic restaurants, art galleries in gorgeously restored distilleries, and a thrilling entertainment district.

But hidden treasures are waiting to be found beyond the city's center in fascinating neighborhoods such as:

- **Casa Loma** — Tour the majestic gardens and great halls of Toronto's renowned Gothic castle.
- **Kensington Market** — Explore the legendary outdoor market located in this highly photogenic district.
- **Distillery District** — Marvel at some of Toronto's oldest architecture while enjoying unique galleries, boutiques, and cafes.
- **Yonge and Dundas** — Revel in the last double-decker theatres in the world at the Elgin and Winter Garden Theatre Centre.
- **St. Lawrence Market** — Try a truly diverse selection of foods at this bustling marketplace.
- **High Park** — Restore yourself in the beautiful parks, ponds, and stage productions of the city's largest green space.







# EXTEND YOUR STAY — DISCOVER CANADA AND BEYOND

## Breathtaking adventures surround Toronto in every direction

From one of the world's great natural wonders to luxurious resorts and award-winning waterfront golf courses, you'll be inspired to explore North America beyond the convention.

Toronto offers easy access to the iconic Niagara Falls, where you can take in an awe-inspiring view of the falls while perched on a scenic overlook, from a thrilling boat tour, or with the unsurpassed perspective of a helicopter ride. You can also tour world-class wineries, explore the world's largest indoor aviary, and dine in some of the most scenic towns in Ontario.

Farther north you'll find stunning resorts along Canada's majestic Georgian Bay, where you can luxuriate in relaxing spas, enjoy a round of golf on an award-winning course, or cast a line for muskie in one of North America's most remarkable fishing spots.

And with Toronto Pearson International Airport minutes away from the convention, you'll be just a few hours away from the wonder of New York City, the rich history of Quebec City, or the vivacity of Montreal.

Plan for additional days of travel before and after the convention so you can bask in the beauty, majesty, and relaxation that await a short flight or drive away.



Canadian Tourism Commission (CTC)



## FIND YOUR INSPIRATION

"I'm excited for Rotarians to experience the welcoming and friendly city of Toronto. The CN Tower offers a truly inspirational view of the city."

— Michele Guy, Rotary Club of Toronto,  
Ontario, Canada

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# CALLING ALL PEOPLE OF ACTION — A WORLD OF INSPIRATION AWAITS YOU

At our 2018 convention, thousands of Rotarians from every corner of the globe will harness the power of their ingenuity to shape our world into something greater.

## Ideas that make an impact

Engage with people and ideas that are transforming lives. Discover insightful perspectives from world-renowned speakers, take part in stimulating breakout sessions, and explore innovative solutions to community problems at the House of Friendship.

## Relationships that last a lifetime

Whether you've just joined Rotary or you're an experienced member, our annual convention is an unparalleled opportunity to immerse yourself in diverse cultures and develop rich relationships. Connect with peers of influence from across the globe and deepen your friendships with kindred spirits who share your desire for meaningful action.

## Knowledge that strengthens your community

The opportunities for learning are endless. You'll hear about new approaches and strategies for successful projects, uncover ways to attract and engage members in your area, and bring home a renewed passion that will inspire your club members.

## Fun that you'll never forget

Share unforgettable experiences at exhibits and events — including our Ribfest on 27 June. The festivities will culminate in a concert by a spectacular artist that you won't want to miss.

**TORONTO**  
**2018**



### FIND YOUR INSPIRATION

"Convention is a reunion of friends who, regardless of nationality, region, culture, language, and religion, can come together and support each other."

— Jermaine Ee, Rotary Club of Los Angeles, California, USA





## Program highlights

- **World-renowned speakers** — Speakers will include world leaders, philanthropists, and celebrities.
- **Preconvention events** — Experience dynamic programs like the Young Leaders Summit, Rotaract Preconvention, International Institute, and more.
- **House of Friendship** — The Rotary world comes together here to proudly exchange ideas and project successes.
- **Breakout sessions** — Dig deeper into the topics that interest you through in-depth seminars, workshops, and discussions. With over 50 breakout sessions, we have something for everyone.



# TORONTO 2018



### FIND YOUR INSPIRATION

"I always return from convention ready to increase my Rotary service. The entire experience is invigorating and never fails to bring home to me the sheer size of our organization."

— Gordon McNally, Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Scotland

