

# DOWNTOWN KINGSTON! IT'S THE REAL DEAL

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## Loads of Laughs Lined up for April Fool's Comedy Festival!

Downtown Kingston! is delighted to announce the arrival of a brand new festival this spring. The April Fool's Comedy Festival will run **Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>** and is sure to bring some gut-busting good times!

The idea of a comedy festival has been rolling around Kingston for years. A big laugh is exactly what is needed to shed the last of our winter blues. Thanks to a generous Celebrate Ontario grant from the Ontario government, the staff at DK! has been working hard to put together what is sure to be Kingston's funnest (and funniest) festival!

"We're extremely excited to bring smiles and giggles to all of Kingston," says Michele Langlois, Marketing Manager with Downtown Kingston! "We would also like to take this opportunity to apologize in advance to the staff at KGH for the amount of split sides we're sure to send their way next month."

Each evening of the festival will feature one Large Laugh (a ticketed event) and Gallons of Giggles (comedians in participating downtown venues – entry with festival bracelet).

The Large Laughs will be a hosted evening that features a flurry of hilarious folk. Venues include the Time to Laugh Comedy Club and The Grand Theatre. With the purchase of a ticket to each of these events, giggle-getters will also be given a bracelet for entry to see the comedians in downtown venues both that evening, and for each evening of the festival.

Thursday's Large Laughs will be hosted by the Time to Laugh Comedy Club and feature MC **Elvira Kurt** along with main acts **Derek Edwards, Glen Foster (That Canadian Guy)** and **Doug Funk**. Show begins at 7:30pm and tickets will go for \$25.

Friday's Large Laughs will also take place at the Time To Laugh Comedy Club and will feature as MC **Mike Bullard** along with comedians **Glen Foster** and **Doug Funk**. The show will start at 7:30pm and tickets will once again be \$25 each.

Saturday's Large Laughs will be the Time To Laugh Road Show at the Grand Theatre. **Tim Nutt** will serve as host along with a hilarious cast of **Ryan Hamilton, Ralph Harris and Orny Adams**. Tickets are \$45 and on sale now at the Grand Theatre Box Office and online at [kingstongrand.ca](http://kingstongrand.ca).

Bracelet and ticket information will be available shortly. Keep an eye on the Downtown Kingston! Facebook and Twitter (@downtownktown) accounts for all the latest information!

Please see attached for Large Laughs schedule of events.

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**April Fool's Comedy Festival**  
**Large Laughs**  
**Schedule of Events**

**Thursday April 7**

Time to Laugh Comedy Club

7:30pm

\$25

Featuring: Elvira Kurt (MC), Derek Edwards, Glen Foster (That Canadian Guy) & Doug Funk

**Friday April 8**

Time to Laugh Comedy Club

7:30pm

\$25

Featuring: Mike Bullard (MC), Glen Foster (That Canadian Guy) & Doug Funk.

**Saturday April 9**

The Grand Theatre

7:30pm

\$45

Just for Laughs Road Show featuring: Tim Nutt (MC), Ryan Hamilton, Ralph Harris & Orny Adams.