



# Happy National Volunteer Week!

## Join Our Team at the Drayton Festival Theatre

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Happy National Volunteer Week! Since the very first performance in 1991, volunteers have been an integral part of the success of the Drayton Festival Theatre, and this year will be no exception. With three productions on stage from June to August, the popular theatre will require many helping hands to assist the thousands of theatregoers that will attend more than 60 performances this summer. [Join the volunteer team in Drayton for the 2022 Season.](#)

“The Drayton Festival Theatre was founded on volunteerism, and that spirit of generosity still flourishes today. Quite simply, we couldn’t do what we do without our volunteers’ support and commitment to the arts,” says **Alex Mustakas**, Artistic Director of Drayton Entertainment. “We’re looking for enthusiastic people who want to donate their time and energy to provide a positive experience for everyone who visits the theatre.”

Do you have a passion for theatre? If so, becoming a volunteer at the Drayton Festival Theatre is a fantastic opportunity to learn what it’s like to work behind-the-scenes, while helping others to discover the exciting experience of attending a live performance. Whether you’re retired and looking for interesting social activities that can also help others, or looking to expand the customer service experience on your résumé, volunteering at the theatre is a rewarding activity that allows you to make a positive contribution to your community.

Volunteers do a variety of tasks including acting as ambassadors for the theatre by ushering at performances – duties include welcoming patrons, checking tickets, leading audience members to their seats, and more. They may also assist with special events or help spread the word about upcoming shows through local distribution of promotional materials.

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week. The week is an annual celebration recognizing that volunteers provide vital support to their communities. The initiative also encourages more people to consider volunteering. This year’s theme for National Volunteer Week is *Volunteering Is Empathy In Action* – it affirms the strong connection between volunteerism and empathy. This profoundly human connection is at the heart of healthier individuals and stronger communities.

For more information about volunteer opportunities at the Drayton Festival Theatre, contact **Ellen Berwick**, Director of Audience Services by email at [ellenb@draytonentertainment.com](mailto:ellenb@draytonentertainment.com), phone at 519-621-5511 ext. 253, or visit [www.draytonentertainment.com/Online/article/volunteer](http://www.draytonentertainment.com/Online/article/volunteer).

The 2022 Season at the Drayton Festival Theatre includes *Sorry, I'm Canadian 2* (June 1 to June 18), *Buying the Farm* (June 29 to July 16), and *Good Ol' Country Gospel* (Aug 11 to Aug 28). For more information, please visit [www.draytonfestivaltheatre.com](http://www.draytonfestivaltheatre.com).

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