



# Backgrounder

## **Kingston Pen Tours Revives the Magic for Pumpkinferno's Second Thrilling Fall Season**

***Discover this fall tradition of New and Classic Hand-Carved Pumpkin Exhibits, from September 27 to October 30, 2024.***

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**Kingston, ON** — Kingston Pen Tours is excited to announce the return of Pumpkinferno, the family-friendly fall event, for its second season. Taking place at Kingston Penitentiary on select evenings from September 27 to October 30, 2024, this beloved fall tradition is back and better than ever. This must-see Kingston event will feature five brand-new exhibits of hand-carved artificial pumpkins, along with many fan favorites from previous years.

As the sun sets, Kingston Pen Tours transforms the historic site into an enchanting wonderland, with 13 brilliant pumpkin sculpture exhibits and more than 100 glowing displays against the limestone walls. Both children and adults will marvel at how Kingston Penitentiary is transformed into a place of magic and light under the night sky.

This year's display of over 7,000 pumpkins will feature five brand-new exhibits, including Timber Trail, showcasing a variety of trees; vibrantly colored happy clowns in Clown Town; Mercury in Retrograde, an homage to the legendary band Queen and lead singer Freddie Mercury; Jack's Lair, with jack-o'-lanterns lining the entrance of the penitentiary's shop dome; and Mega Munchies, a drool-worthy ode to snacks.

### **About Pumpkinferno**

Originating at Upper Canada Village more than 10 years ago, "Pumpkinferno" is an award-winning experience. The carved pumpkins you will see at Pumpkinferno are realistic, artificial pumpkins, whose forms have been shaped from molds of real pumpkins.

The pumpkins have been designed and carved by a talented group of young artists from the Eastern Ontario region. These designers and carvers were selected based on their penchant for design, whether in their field of study or as a personal hobby. They embark on this monumental project every spring, designing, carving, and constructing the amazing array of pumpkin-carved



installations you will discover on your tour. Each spring through summer, a group of new and returning designer/carvers create all that you will see that is new and vibrant, added to our collection of amazing exhibits at Pumpkinferno!

### **Kingston Pen Tours Pumpkinferno Event Details**

- Pumpkinferno will operate select evenings from September 27 to October 30, with tickets sold in 30-minute entrance time slots.
  - September 27 to October 10: 7:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
  - October 11 and October 12: 7 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.
  - October 13 and October 14: 7:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
  - October 17 to October 30: 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. with Fridays and Saturdays to 9:15 p.m.
- Pumpkinferno closes at 11 p.m.
- General admission: \$16 to \$21 + HST

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