



# *The Fife and Drum*

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## **Fort York Festival 97 Promises a Weekend to Remember**

On May 17 and 18, the Saturday and Sunday of the Victoria Day Weekend, a new era of programming at Fort York commences. A core group of your Directors, particularly Don Brydges, Murray Philip, Peter Twist and Joe Gill, have been working hard to ensure that all attending this year's Fort York Festival will leave it planning to make the Festival an annual event for the future.

The Fort York Festival is, however, more than two days of battle re-enactments, music, dancing and good food. The Festival, as it grows, will provide the opportunity to develop a range of new programming at the Fort and to gain the experience to operate major events, both of which will be essential for the Fort York of the future.

We enclose for your information a schedule of the events for both days of the Festival. We also enclose several Festival flyers. Please take the time to invite your neighbours, friends and relatives to this event. Also, please make sure that you attend and enjoy the Festival. Your Friends of Fort York membership card provides free admittance to the Festival.

We will be contacting many of you in the next few days to request your assistance for 2-3 hours as volunteers. We need your help with our admission tents, selling Fort York dollars (the currency for all food and refreshments at the Festival), and with a number of other functions.

### Upcoming meetings

Directors meeting, Thursday, May 22 - City Hall, Committee Room #1

Annual General Meeting, Thursday, June 19 - Centre Block House, Fort York

### Membership

For those of you who have not submitted your 1997 memberships, please call John Barclay 486-0763 for the membership application and information.