DISCOVERY HARBOUR 2026
RESTAURANT POP-UPS

93 Jury Drive, Penetanguishene, ON L9M 1G1
June 1 – September 6, 2026

Huronia Historical Parks (HHP) invites you to submit your application to be a food vendor at Discovery Harbour this summer. Discovery Harbour is a historic site in Penetanguishene, Ontario on the shores of Georgian Bay. The site is also home to the King's Wharf Theatre, operated by Drayton Entertainment. The theatre welcomes hundreds of visitors daily to its matinee and evening performances. Huronia Historical Parks is seeking vendors to deliver food offerings to Discovery Harbour and King's Wharf Theatre visitors throughout the season. Below is more information about our site:

ABOUT DISCOVERY HARBOUR:

- **Dates:** Open 7 days per week from May 1st – September 6th, 2026
- **Hours:** 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (open until 10:00 p.m. during Supernatural Saturdays)
- **Admission Fees:** The restaurant, Captain Roberts Table, is located prior to the admissions point on our site.
- **Contact :** Emily Weber - (705) 427 2847 – reservationshhp@ontario.ca

SCHEDULING AND BOOKING OPPORTUNITIES:

Discovery Harbour welcomes steady visitation throughout the summer, with increased traffic during long weekends and special events. In addition, the Kings Wharf Theatre, a 370-seat theatre, draws significant audiences for matinee and evening performances, making show days particularly strong opportunities. Reviewing both the historic site's schedule and theatre schedule can help maximize exposure and sales.

While single-day bookings are welcome, preference will be given to vendors who book multiple consecutive days or week-long stays.

Consider joining us on the following dates:

Saturday July 25, 2026	Drayton Matinee + Evening Show + Supernatural Saturdays
Saturday August 1, 2026	Drayton Matinee + Evening Show + Supernatural Saturdays
Saturday August 15, 20261	Drayton Matinee + Evening Show + Supernatural Saturdays
Saturday Augusts 22, 2026	Drayton Matinee + Evening Show + Supernatural Saturdays
Saturday August 29, 2026	Drayton Matinee + Evening Show + Supernatural Saturdays

FEES, PAYMENT & VENDOR REQUIRMENTS:

- **Application Deadline:**
  - Applications for dates up to July 31st, 2026 are due by July 15, 2026
  - Applications for dates between August 1st, 2026 to September 6th are due by July 23rd, 2026
- **Successful vendor requirements:**
  - Signed agreement
  - Proof of insurance (Commercial General Liability insurance of no less than $2million)
  - Payment of non-refundable vendor fees
  - Vendors must be present for all the agreed dates for the full day, or they may not be invited back.
  - Food Permit from SMDHU, apply online https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/Topics/FoodSafety/SpecialEvents
- **Vendor Fees (weekly fees based on attendance numbers):**
  - $250.00 per day (HST included) for single day rentals and $150 a day for rentals of 2 to 14 days consecutive days. Vendor fee is NON-REFUNDABLE unless the organizer (HHP) cancels
- **Payment:**
  - If accepted, payment is due upon receipt of the invoice
  - Payment is to be made online using the payment link emailed to you
  - **We do NOT accept e-transfers**

LOGISTICS:

- **Location:**
  - Restaurant Pop-Ups would happen in Captain Roberts Table, at the south end of Discovery Harbour
- **Parking:**
  - No on-site parking is permitted, vehicle access to the restaurant for load-in and load-out can be arranged at pre-determined times.
  - Free Visitor parking is available nearby for any other vehicle(s).
- **Set Up:**
  - Set Up can happen between 9:00AM – 12:00PM (HHP staff must escort vehicles on-site)
  - Vendors are required to be fully self-sufficient, bring their own cooking equipment, serving supplies, smallware, internet/wi-fi hub, POS etc.
  - Vendors who have secured more than one consecutive day are permitted to leave items in Captain Roberts Table for the duration of their occupancy.
- **Tear Down:**
  - Tear Down to happen between 4:00PM to 5:00PM (or 10:00PM if the rental date is a Saturdays).
  - All garbage is to be packed up by the vendor and left in a designated area for pick-up.

- Vendor is responsible for the removal and disposal of any fryer oil.
- Kitchen should be returned in the same condition as arrival, all kitchen equipment, workbenches etc. should be cleaned.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Please provide your submission for consideration. The Ministry has the right to choose more than one vendor as required. We will evaluate each submission separately based on the following weighted criteria:

Experience in the Food Industry	20 points
Type / Variety / Qualify of food or product	10 points
Price point of food / product	10 points
Availability to attend multiple dates throughout the season	10 points
Self-sufficient (i.e. generator, power cords)	10 points
Quiet generator	10 points
Total points	**70 points**

APPLICATION / PHOTOS:

- Make sure your application is complete and includes your website and social media links.
- Vendors must provide quality photos of your products to help us determine if you are a good fit.
- Please list all the products you intend to sell at the market. Products not listed in your application may not be permitted.
- By submitting this application, you agree that HHP can use your product photos to promote your business.

EVENT MARKETING:

- Promotion on the HHP website
- Facebook and Instagram posts as part of Discovery Harbour's social media campaigns
- HHP will share details to their on-site partners to help promote your business
- Vendors should do their best to promote the event on their social media channels to increase attendance