









stay active

Older Adult

Program Highlights Guide

stcatharines.ca/ActiveSTC





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Learn how to join our new portal for program registration, facility reservations and more!

Browse a variety of activities and programs. Register today at **stcatharines.ca/ActiveSTC**

Creating an account

- 1. Go to stcatharines.ca/ActiveSTC
- 2. Click Create an Account
- 3. Follow instructions to create your account

Activity registration

- 1. Visit ActiveSTC
- 2. Click on **Activities** tab
- 3. Search for your activity
- 4. Click on the green bar that says **enroll now**. Select participant and add to cart
- 5. Check off waivers and hit finish to complete the transaction

Payment methods

We accept VISA, MasterCard and AMEX

Contact us

activeSTC@stcatharines.ca | 905.688.5600

Programs are subject to change without notice.



(50+ years)

Aquatics

Adult (18+ years)

Beginners work towards a 10 to 15 metre swim on front and back. Perform side jump entries and recover an object from the bottom in chest-deep water. Improve fitness and flutter kick with interval training. Higher levels focus on perform dive entries, stride entries, compact jumps and treading. Refine your front crawl, back crawl, and breaststroke, while increasing endurance. Fitness course encourages fitness through the sport of swimming through stroke improvement and basic workouts.

Aquafit (15+ years)

A fun exercise program that combines the benefits of shallow and deep water. Emphasis is on cardiovascular fitness, conditioning and toning.

Use Your Noodle (15+ years)

Gentle full body workout with pool noodles in warm water. Improve posture, stretch muscles, develop muscular strength and work the cardiovascular system.

Deep Water Aquafit (15+ years)

Held in deep water with flotation belts to eliminate impact on joints. Great for core strength balance.

Forever Fit (15+ years)

Activities include range of motion, core strength, cardio, balance, flexibility, and strength training designed to improve health.



Hip, Knee and Back (15+ years)

Great for adults with hip and knee pain. Focus is on range of motion for the joints, muscle conditioning, balance, and postural training.

Leisure Swim (all ages)

Leisure Swims are an ideal activity for people of all ages to play in an aquatic setting.

Lengths (10+ years)

Pool lanes are divided for swimming continuous lengths.

Soak and Stretch (18+ years)

Work through prescribed exercises or simply enjoy the benefits of the warm water of the leisure pool.

Strong and Steady (15+ years)

Improve strength, balance, and flexibility to support recovery from a fall. Warm water is an ideal, safe environment to improve agility, strength, and coordination.

Therapeutic Aquatics (15+ years)

Improve posture, stretch muscles, develop muscular strength, and work the cardiovascular system through a variety of function and mobility exercises.

Water Walking (18+ years)

Enjoy self-guided time in the lane pool. Use a flotation belt for support to eliminate any impacts on your joints. Enjoy the social aspects of this friendly and relaxing aquatic environment.

Red Cross Blended Standard First Aid and CPR C / AED (12+ years)

Each blended learning course is divided into two components: participants first complete a self-paced online component, then successfully complete an instructor-led classroom session to achieve a Standard First Aid / CPR C / AED certification.

Recertification classes are also available.



(50+ years)

Arts and Creative Development

Soapstone Carving (all ages)

Come and create a beautiful piece of art from one of earth's natural elements in a stress free and fun environment. Our instructor, Anita Foran resides in

St. Catharines and is a wood and soapstone carving enthusiast. While growing up in Port Dalhousie her father instilled, encouraged and nurtured an early love for nature that provides the inspiration for her carvings. Anita has been carving for 20 years and enjoys encouraging others in sharing her passion.

Woodcarving Chickadee Carving Project (all ages)

Come learn the basics of woodcarving by carving a chickadee. The session is led by an experienced woodcarver from the Niagara Woodcarvers Association.

Fitness

Adult Ballet

Join our instructor Jena for a beginner level class suitable for people who have danced in the past or are new to the form.

This class focuses on the basics of ballet technique with a classic ballet class format. We perform a set of exercises at the barre and then in the centre to classical ballet music.

Please bring a ballet shoe of some sort or a soft shoe to dance in.

Barre Fit

Barre Fit is a fitness class inspired by ballet technique and taught by our instructor Jena.

This class focuses on total body strength and mobility using bodyweight, bands, and light weights. We will also concentrate on deep core muscles and posture. Barre is a low to medium impact class suitable for all ages and is guaranteed to make you sweat!

Please bring a yoga mat.

Fitness Circuit Training

Get moving with multiple exercises designed to improve your overall fitness and cardio levels in a circuit style program. A certified fitness instructor will challenge you to achieve personal goals.

Kick Fit - Kickboxing Fitness

Non-combat kickboxing moves that will tone and sculpt your body as well as increase your cardio, balance and flexibility. This fun for everyone class will firm your body for a happier, healthier lifestyle. Gloves and pads are provided.

Learn more about **FAIR**Fee Assistance in Recreation
stcatharines.ca/Fair

(50+ years)

Fitness

Outdoor Strength and Stretch with Jena

Join our instructor Jena for a Strength and Stretch class.

In this class, we will help you get stronger and improve flexibility with simple exercises. We will focus on posture, mobility, and total body strengthening.

This class is open to all ages, and we encourage new moms to bring their babies. It is a great way to connect with your community and meet new people.

Please bring a yoga mat. A baby carrier is optional but encouraged if bringing a baby.

Weather permitting, the class will be outside in the shade of the trees in Catharine Street Park.

Sports

Tennis Lessons - Adult & Youth

This program is designed for players who can maintain a rally on a full-sized tennis court with regular balls. Match play included. Participants must bring their own racquet.



Special Interest

Virtual Museum Lecture Series (all ages)

Audiences delve deeper into the history of St. Catharines and the Welland Canals in this bi-weekly series featuring museum historians and special guest experts from the community. Tune in to live online lectures from the comfort of your home. Participants must sign up in

advance to receive the secure link to each lecture via email. For details on each Lecture, please visit the Museum events webpage.

Check out the recreation calendar at **stcatharines.ca/ActiveSTC** for many drop-in recreation opportunities

(50+ years)

stcatharines.ca/OAC

St. Catharines Older Adult Centres (OAC) and Community Centres offer social, recreational, and educational activities for residents aged 50 and older.

Annual memberships are valid at Older Adult Centres and Community Centres.

low cost, and free for 90+



PLAY CARDS

can be used for public skating, leisure swimming, aquatic activities and drop-in recreation programs.

- Balance and Core
- Chair Yoga
- Essentrics
- Fit for Function
- Line Dancing
- Maximize Mobility
- Mobility for Movement
- Resistance Fitness with Sarah
- Resistance with Eric
- Strength and Tone
- Tai Chi
- Yoga
- Zumba Gold

OAC Drop in programs

Cards

- 500 Cards
- 6 Handed Bid Euchre
- Bid Euchre
- Cribbage
- Duplicate Bridge
- Fuchre
- Progressive Bridge

Dance and Exercise

- Argentine Tango
- Balance and Core
- Chair Yoga
- Chinese Cultural Dancing
- Essentrics
- Fit for Function
- Line Dancing
- Maximize Mobility
- Mobility for Movement
- Nordic Pole Walking
- Resistance Fitness with Sarah
- Resistance with Amanda
- Resistance with Eric
- Square Dancing
- Strength and Tone with Amanda
- Tai Chi
- Yoga
- Zumba Gold

Arts, Crafts and Hobbies

- Crafts
- Indoor Model Flying
- Painting
- Quilting
- Rug Hooking
- Woodcarving
- Yarn Lovers

Sports and Games

- Billiards
- Bingo
- Darts
- Horseshoes (seasonal)
- Mahjong
- Pickleball
- Shuffleboard
- Table Tennis





If you have a suggestion for a new activity, please call **905.688.5601 x1570** or email **sphelan@stcatharines.ca**