# **Attend the Toronto Flower Market**

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#### WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

An engaging outdoor outing that connects participants with vibrant, seasonal flowers, local growers, and a friendly community atmosphere. It promotes sensory exploration, choice-making, and social interaction. Plus, it supports local farming and sustainability.

#### TIME

- 1–2 hours, depending on pace, shopping, and rest stops
- Monthly event: May-October on a Saturday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

#### **M**ATERIALS

- Water bottle & sun protection (hat/sunscreen)
- Optional: small bag or basket for flower purchases
- Cash or card (most vendors accept both, cash is quicker)
- Sensory supports: headphones, sunglasses
- Visual schedule or simple checklist

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#### **I**NSTRUCTIONS

- 1. **Arrive by 10 a.m.** to enjoy vendors setting up and avoid crowds.
- 2. **Orient yourselves** using familiar stalls or a meeting point under a tree/blue tent.
- 3. **Explore vendor booths**—encourage smelling, touching flowers, and choosing favourites.
- 4. **Purchase flowers (optional)**: help with transactions and explaining prices.
- 5. **Enjoy vendor interactions**: wave or say "hello" and ask simple questions ("What is this flower called?").
- 6. **Take breaks** on nearby benches or shaded areas.
- 7. **Reflect**: talk about colours, smells, or favourite flowers before heading home.

#### RESOURCES

https://www.torontoflowermarket.ca

#### SUPPORTS NEEDED

- Visual itinerary or image-based journey map
- One-on-one assistance with navigating stalls and handling money
- Sensory supports: headphones, sunglasses, shaded breaks

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- Choice prompts: "Would you like pink or yellow flowers?"
- Physical support to carry purchases or steady walking on paved paths
- Social guidance: greeting vendors, polite queueing
- Emotional encouragement and positive praise
- Safety reminders: stay within sight, no pulling petals

#### **O**THER THINGS TO NOTE

- **Dates**: May 10 · June 14 · July 12 · Aug 16 · Sept 13 · Oct 11, 2025
- **Time**: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Location: TD Commons @ CAMH, 1001 Queen St W (SW corner of Queen & Shaw)