

# Kirkland Lake Homecoming Moving to Civic Weekend

The Kirkland Lake Festivals Committee has announced the 2018 Kirkland Lake Homecoming Celebrations will be moving to Civic Weekend.

The Festivals Committee will continue to host the free Canada Day celebrations and fireworks at Civic, but the main Homecoming events, including the live concerts, will be held the first week of August.

“After much discussion, our committee has decided to try holding Homecoming later in the summer to provide us with more time to organize our events,” said Julie Richard, Chair of KL Festivals.

Richard added that moving the festival would also provide additional time to assess government funding and avoid holding events during the final week of school when many graduations are held.

The Festivals Committee has hosted summer events for the past 17 years. It is hoped that the change of dates to the long weekend in August will attract more people to the already successful festival.

“We wanted to get word out before Christmas as we know many people start planning their summer schedule while with family and friend during the Christmas holidays,” said Richard.

Many of Canada’s biggest acts have performed during Homecoming including: The Tragically Hip, Hedley, Arkells, Simple Plan, Blue Rodeo, Marianas Trench and 2017 headliners, Walk Off The Earth and Sam Roberts.