



Timeline of Iranian Canadian in Ontario

1901: 1st Iranian immigrant in Canada

1971-1980: 1st wave arrived: (3664 Students and professionals)
1971: Eshrat Arjomandi Student Visa (U of T)
1973: Iranian Student Association at University of Toronto
1973: Nowruz Celebration by IAUT
1974: Jamil Mardukhi, Lead Structural Engineer of the CN Tower
1975: Arbab Rustom Guiv donated \$600,000 USD to Zoroastrian Society of Ontario
1976: Iran participated in Olympic Montreal
1976: Parti Québécois elected in Quebec

1985: Norooz Education Foundation
1985: Int. Congress on Persian Heritage (SA'DI)
1985: Restaurant (Darvish)
1985: Iranians Monthly News paper
1986: Planting Tree of Peace at Queen's Park
1986: Radio Sedaye Parsi
1986: Television (Sheyda TV)
1986: Book (Iranian in Ontario by Dr. Kazemi)
1987: Currency Exchange (Taheri)
1988: Canadian Society of Iranian Engineers and Architects (Mohandes)
1988: Haji Piruz (Jafar Neshat)
1988: Grocery Store (ASY MAX)
1989: Association of Iranian Women's Organization of Ontario
1989: Modern Times (Soheil Parsa)
1989: Dadashi Gallery
1989: Iranian Plaza (Supper Khorak)

1995-2005: 3rd wave arrived (Professionals and family)
1996: Dyke March Pride (Shamsi Riasatian)
1997: Candidate for Federal Election (Dr. Mortazavi)
1999: Iranian Association at University of Toronto

2005 to Date: 4th wave arrived (Investors and professional)
2005: Iranian Fire Festival
2005: Knighthood honorary title (Sir Karim Hakimi)
2005: Bam Earthquake Fundraising
2005: Appoint Iranians to the Ontario's Institutions
2006: Under the Azure Dome (Tirgan)
2006: Toronto Book Club
2007: Member of Provincial Parliament (Dr. Moridi)
2007: Iranian Canadian Congress
2008: Eshrat Arjomandi Lab at York University
2008: Hakimi Avenue
2010: Top 25 Canadian Immigrants (Dr. Hadi Mahabadi)
2011: Iranian Heritage Day at the ROM
2012: Officer of the Order of Canada (Dr. Hadi Mahabadi)
2013: Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal
2013: Ontario Minister of Research and Innovation (Dr. Reza Moridi)

| 1901 | | 1960 | | 1970 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | | 2005 | |

1901-1960: 390 Iranians in Canada
1951: Institute of Islamic Studies at McGill
1953: Dr Hafezi migrated to Canada
1956: Iranian mission established in Ottawa
1961: Department of Islamic Studies at U of T
1965: State Visit of the Shah of Iran to Canada
1966: Interview with Dr. Iraj Farivar on the Ottawa Citizen
1967: Iran participated in Expo 67 in Montreal
1967: Hakim opened Hakim Optical
1967: West Asian Studies section at the ROM

1981-1990: 2nd wave arrived (Refuges and family)
1980s: Toronto surpassed Montreal as Canada's most populous city
1979: Newsletter (Sarbazane Iran)
1980: School (Persian Heritage Language)
1980: Ferdowsi Association
1981: Rasaneh News paper
1981: Art of Survival by Ahmad Sakhavarz at the ROM
1982: Iranian Soccer League
1982: Bakery (Garni)
1982: Persian traditional art and cultural foundation
1983: Pharmacy (Dr. Salek)
1983: Nowruz message from Pierre Elliot Trudeau
1983: Iranian Students Association at York University
1983: Iranian Directory
1984: Grocery Store (Dan)
1984: Iranian Community Association of Ontario
1984: Radio by Iranian Community Association of Ontario
1984: Real Stator (Mandana Motamedi)
1984: Chartered Accountant (Tavana)

1990: Iranian's Cultural and Artistic Club of Ontario
1990: Book Store (Pegah)
1991: Association of Iranian Canadian Senior Citizen Centre of Ontario
1991: Maktabe Ghoran
1991: Shahrvand Weekly Newspaper
1991: Shirini Sara Pastry House
1991: Citizen of the Year (Fred Kasravi)
1991: Prepaid Phone Card (Gold Line)
1992: Nowruz Act by The House of Commons of Canada
1992: Nowruz Ball at the ROM
1992: Tree Planting at George Ignatieff Theater
1992: Islamic Centre of Vali-e Asr
1992: Toronto Iranian Christian Church
1992: Iranian Advisory Council at FSA of Toronto
1993: Immigrants and Their Problem (Seminar by Iranian Woman Publication of Canada)
1993: Zangeh Ghesheh
1993: Iran Zameen TV
1993: Toronto Farsi School
1994: Shahre Ma TV
1994: Javanan Weekly Magazine
1994: Afra (Farsi Book Publisher)
1995: Radio 24 Sa'ateh Sedaye Iran
1995: Mehrvarzan CBC's Glen Gould Studio
1995: House of Sufism
1995: vAzhé (Iranian Authors & Artists)
1995: Jamei Az Zanan (Feminist group)
1995: Bazar Nowruzi by Women's Organization

2000: Grant of Arms, Flag and Badge by the Governor General of Canada (Fred Kasravi)
2000: President of PEN Canada (Dr. Reza Baraheni)
2001: Toronto Iranians
2002: Parya Trillium Foundation
2002: Iranian-Canadian Network (IC Network)
2003: Nowruz Act by Legislative Assembly of Ontario
2003: Iranian Canadian Youth Organization (IC Youth)
2003: Seminar (Iranian Immigrants in Canada)