

Lakeland Flowers Returns with Its Annual Summer Flower Festival

Starting With Tulips and Ending With Sunflowers

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Lakeland Flowers returns with its six-month cascade of flowers, beginning with the Abbotsford Tulip Festival. Positioned as Canada's premiere tulip festival with 35 acres of tulips and field flowers of which 28 acres will feature over 100 varieties of tulips, the fields are set to create a dazzling display of colour. Highlights include walking trails, specialty varietals that have been imported from Holland and a legacy tulip named after Peter Warmerdam, Nick's father.

"We were so grateful to meet the thousands of people who came to our farm last season. Connecting with visitors is my favourite part of the festival," says Nick Warmerdam, farmer and owner of Lakeland Flowers. "Every year we improve the visitor experience and this year we added more photo opps, tulips, and specialty varieties. From the end of May and on, our guests can expect to see more blooms right until early September."

While April and May bring tulips and assorted field flowers, May and June feature over 30 acres of peonies, lupins, Siberian wallflowers, and lavender. Lakeland Flowers' summer flower festival ends with over 40 acres of sunflowers, 80 varieties of flowering crops, and 20 species of cut flowers.





The Abbotsford Tulip Festival is open from dawn until dusk, tentatively scheduled to open on April 15th and close on May 12th.

Photo opps include baby grand pianos, canoes, giant klompen (Dutch word for wooden shoes that visitors can sit in), bicycles, swings and raised viewing platforms. Visitors are also welcome to enjoy live music nights and to pack a picnic or sample food truck meals.

Online tickets are available one week in advance with tiered pricing options for weekdays and weekends. It is strongly recommended that visitors purchase tickets online to not only receive reduced pricing, but to secure a time-slot.

Daily field reports will be provided on the Lakeland Flowers website and social media channels.

Lakeland Flowers is the closest tulip festival to the Greater Vancouver area, located in Abbotsford and right off No. 4 Rd.

For more information, visit **lakelandflowers.ca**, and follow Lakeland Flowers on **Instagram**, **Tik Tok**, and **Facebook**. For publication, images can be downloaded at **this link**.

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About Lakeland Flowers

Lakeland Flowers is located on the unceded territory of the Semá:th First Nation. Flower farming in Canada runs deeply within the Warmerdam family, beginning with Peter Warmerdam in the 1950s, his son Nick in the 1980s, and Nick's daughter Alexis in the 2010s. Nick's farming background began with field-grown cut daffodils, gladiolas, peonies, and tulips before diversifying into greenhouse-grown tulips. Over the 50 years Lakeland Flowers has operated, it has grown and sold millions of fresh-cut flowers across Canada and the US. Today, the Warmerdams continue to grow and sell commercial tulips and peonies.