

TORONTO FEBRUARY 3-7 2025

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Dear Participants,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest and commitment to participating in the first Canadian hosted, Connectathon Week. The response has been tremendous with all four events completely sold out!

As we near the start of an incredible week of programming and testing, we wanted to share some important details with you to help you plan your week.

The schedule for the week based on Eastern Standard Time is:

	Mon Feb 3	Tue Feb 4	Wed Feb 5	Thu Feb 6	Fri Feb 7
Experience Days	Badge Pick-up and Breakfast 7:30-8:30am		<div>Notes:</div> <div>From Tuesday to Thursday lunch times are as follows:</div> <div>Experience Day/Plugathon: 12:00pm start</div> <div>Connectathon/Projectathon: 12:30pm start</div>		
	Opening Ceremonies and Programming 8:30 – 5:00pm	Programming and Event Closure 8:30 - 5:00pm			
Projectathon/Connectathon	Badge Pickup 10:30 -12:00pm	Breakfast and Networking Lower Level 10:30-12:00pm			
	Opening Ceremonies and Testing 1:00-5:00pm	Testing Availability Ballrooms A&B 8:30-5:00pm		Testing Availability Ballrooms A&B 8:30-12:30pm	
Plugathon	<div>Welcome and Networking Socials:</div> <div>Tuesday, February 4: 6:00 – 7:30pm</div> <div>Thursday, February 6: 5:30 – 7:00pm</div> <div>Additional events are by invitation only.</div>		Breakfast and Badge Pickup 7:30 – 8:30am		
			Programming 8:30 - 5:00pm	Programming 8:30-12:00pm	

Note that the Projectathon and Connectathon floor are limited to participants except for the VIP Tours on Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 – 5:00 when Experience Day participants will be provided with a tour.

The detailed schedule and maps will be available on QR codes on site.

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Getting to the Hotel

The InterContinental Toronto Centre is a premier luxury hotel and event space located at 225 Front St W, in the heart of downtown Toronto. Perfectly positioned adjacent to the Metro Toronto Convention Centre and steps from iconic attractions like the CN Tower, Rogers Centre, and Ripley's Aquarium of Canada, the hotel offers the ideal blend of sophistication and convenience for both business and leisure travelers.

From Toronto Pearson Airport:

Options are:

- 1) Taxis and Limos at the designated pick-up area on the terminal curbs, Arrivals Level
- 2) Uber pickups located at the Arrivals Level in front of Door D in Terminal 3, and at Door Q on the Ground Level of Terminal 1.
- 3) The UP Express train from Toronto Pearson International Airport to Union Station, which is a short walk to the hotel, takes 25 minutes. The train departs every 15 minutes, seven days a week. The UP Express station at Pearson International Airport is in Terminal 1, directly adjacent to the Link Train service linking Terminals 1 and 3. Union station is a short walk to the hotel. Follow the steps from Union Station from here.

For more information about the UPS: A (<https://www.upexpress.com/en>)

From Union Station:

Options are:

- 1) Walk out to Front Street and walk west to the hotel entrance at 225 Front Street.
- 2) From the UP Train exit, you can either:
 - a. (Shortest and simplest but requires 2 minutes outside) Walk west in the skywalk, pass the escalator to the end of the skywalk. Take the elevator (if working) or stairs down to the ground. When you come out, you will be on Simcoe Street (street runs North/South). Walk across the street and either walk on front to go in the main doors or go through the valet parking area directly across from the skywalk. NOTE: The elevator is periodically under maintenance. There are two large flights of stairs.

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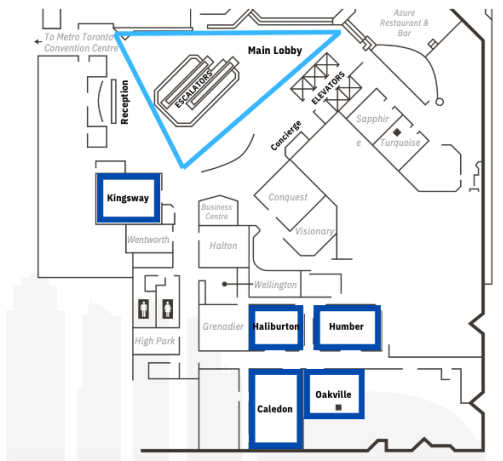
From Billy Bishop Airport, the hotel is a 30-minute walk, so you may wish to take a ride service or taxi which is only 8-10 minutes.

Hotel Location: [Intercontinental Location on Map](#)

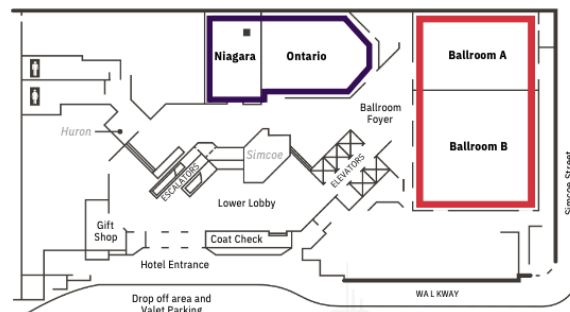


Hotel Floor Maps

CONFERENCE CENTRE UPPER LEVEL



CONFERENCE CENTRE LOWER LEVEL



Anticipated Weather Forecast

Currently, the weather is expected to be generally reasonable for this time of year, but layers are recommended.

Sun 02	36°/32°		Rain/Snow Showers	38%	SSE 14 mph	▼	Sun 02	2°/-1°		Snow Showers	38%	SSE 19 km/h	▼
Mon 03	36°/18°		Cloudy	18%	W 18 mph	▼	Mon 03	2°/-9°		Cloudy	20%	W 27 km/h	▼
Tue 04	24°/18°		Cloudy	11%	WNW 13 mph	▼	Tue 04	-5°/-10°		Cloudy	11%	WNW 19 km/h	▼
Wed 05	27°/20°		Cloudy	22%	WNW 12 mph	▼	Wed 05	-3°/-8°		Cloudy	22%	WNW 16 km/h	▼
Thu 06	29°/27°		Light Wintry Mix	43%	NE 15 mph	▼	Thu 06	-2°/-4°		Wintry Mix	43%	NE 20 km/h	▼
Fri 07	32°/24°		Snow Showers	44%	WSW 16 mph	▼	Fri 07	0°/-5°		Snow Showers	44%	WSW 23 km/h	▼

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General Toronto Information:

Welcome to Toronto, Canada's largest city, a vibrant and multicultural metropolis that seamlessly blends urban sophistication with natural beauty. Known as a global hub for business, arts, and culture, Toronto boasts iconic landmarks like the CN Tower, the Royal Ontario Museum, and the Distillery Historic District. The city is celebrated for its diversity, with neighborhoods like Chinatown, Little Italy, and Kensington Market offering unique cultural experiences.



Local Coffee Shops:

Some of the many that are close:

Balzacs: In the Skywalk

Starbucks: 123 Front St W

Mos Mos Coffee: 1 University Ave Suite 100

We look forward to meeting you in person at what will no doubt be an excellent opportunity to learn, collaborate and contribute to the future of connected care!

The 2025 IHE North American Connectathon Planning Team