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toronto.com 2007 Festive Guide The Ultimate Guide for All Things Holiday

Toronto, ON – For everything there is to know this holiday season, the **toronto.com 2007 Festive Guide** (www.toronto.com/guide/festive) has it covered. The annual online guide is a one-stop resource that ensures a stress-free and happy holiday season for all. The guide features tips and ideas to help host the perfect party, find that elusive gift for a special someone, update your look for the season and organize your holiday schedule. The 2007 toronto.com Festive Guide is a definite must-read.

When the holidays come around, parties are never far behind and neither is the stress involved in throwing them. To help simplify the process, check out the in-depth **Party Planning** section of the guide. Whether it's a corporate bash or an intimate soiree, the listings will help consumers select the ideal venue (try classic mainstays like *Myth Lounge* on the Danforth or *Coco Lezzone* on College), find the right caterer and pull all the details together just like a pro. There's even a section to help locate accommodations for out-of-town guests (the crash pads at the *Drake Hotel* might fit the bill) making sure no one overstays their welcome.

Once the party's planned, it's time to start thinking about finding the perfect gift, and the toronto.com Festive Guide is a shopper's paradise full of the season's best finds. The guide features **Gift-Giving Ideas** making it easy to find great presents for him or her, to shop for the kids or just for a bargain. Check out the renowned *One of a Kind Christmas Show and Sale* at Exhibition Place that runs from November 22nd through to December 2nd for unique gifts for the most discerning shopper. For the more adventurous, the guide also lists a selection of ideas for **Do-It-Yourself Gifts** and for those corporate clients, *Babycake Cupcakes* on Queen Street East are sure to brighten any busy executive's day.

Recognizing the fact that the holidays can be a little hectic at times, the Festive Guide features a section devoted exclusively to **Fashion and Beauty** – a reminder that everyone needs a little pampering this time of year. Discover the best places to find sumptuous seasonal fashions and hidden gems in the city. Get in on the current Hollywood trend and browse through the *Vested Vintage* section for a special profile of the city's premier vintage boutiques. For ideas on how to unwind after a full day of shopping, the guide also lists the most sumptuous of spas and salons specializing in the fine art of relaxation.

After the parties are over and the shopping is all wrapped up, what is there left to do this holiday season? Find the answer in the Festive Guide featuring a complete listing of **Holiday Events**. The *Cavalcade of Lights*, beginning November 17th in neighbourhoods across the city, is a must-see family-friendly event in its 41st year that continues to light up the winter sky. For those looking for more theatrical performances, the *Trans-Siberian Orchestra* will be cruising through the Air Canada Centre on November 26th and *Sleeping Beauty on Ice* will take over the Bluma Appel Theatre December 20th to the 23th. The section will also boast a list of New Year's Eve events to help ring in 2008 in true style.

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For gift ideas, family events, party planning tips, fashion and beauty know-how and more, go to the toronto.com 2007 Festive Guide and rest easy this holiday season.

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