

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Ron's Story

During the pandemic, my wife and I moved to Burlington from Oakville. I am a retired teacher, so I sought out opportunities to volunteer in Burlington. I wanted to get involved, to meet new people, and to give back to the community - preferably in a way that involved the outdoors and looking after the environment! I am a professional photographer, and I continue to teach photography and to volunteer at the Oakville Art Society, so I wanted to utilize my photography skills as a volunteer. BurlingtonGreen was the perfect fit!



I began photographing BurlingtonGreen events shortly after settling into Burlington. I have photographed tree plantings, beach cleanups, Eco days, beach dune restorations, electronics drives, and eco home tours. While doing this, I met many other volunteers and staff members for BurlingtonGreen who made me feel welcomed and valued for my contributions.



I was even able to cycle to many of the events and enjoy being outdoors. The staff and volunteers have all been terrific, and I have made several new friends. And I delight in the familiar faces of people in the community whom I repeatedly see at events. BurlingtonGreen has enabled me to feel I am a valuable part of my new community.



We hope you enjoy these photographs by Ron. See more on his instagram: https://www.instagram.com/ronvz_photography/