

# Mother's Day celebrations

Along with flowers, chocolates and breakfast in bed, here are some innovative ways to celebrate Mother's Day.

• Decorate the house after she goes to bed with balloons, streamers and a big bouquet of flowers.

• Wash and detail her car. Vacuum and wipe down the inside; wash and wax the outside so it shines.

• Fill up her gas tank.  
• Free time. If she wants uninterrupted relaxation, then make it happen. Let her know that you will take care of the

• Breakfast in Bed. Make sure you have everything ready the day before – the tray, the coffee and the fixings for her favourite breakfast.

• Give her an IOU. Promise Mom a day free

of chores, or two tickets to a local concert. IOU's let Mom choose the time and place to redeem her Mother's Day gift.

• Her wish, your command. Let Mom call the shots on Mother's Day. Her happiness is your happiness—and the whole family's, for that matter.

### For kids

• Clean your room. She's nagged you and nagged you. Make the chore part of your gift to Mom on Mother's Day.

• Set Mom's mood with candles. In the morning light an aromatherapy candle in her

bedroom or bathroom. In the evening light a richly scented candle in the kitchen or living room.

• Draw or paint Mom a picture. Whether it's a kindergarten crayon drawing or a college art studio object d'art, Mom will proudly display your work.

• Bake a cake. Does Mom like fancy desserts? Choose a cake recipe that will surprise her—not your average yellow box cake, either.

• Give Mom a Mother's Day hug. You can't get much simpler or sincere than that.

"Rock n Roll music is basically Gospel or Rhythm and Blues"

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MOTHER, MAY I? Great deals greeted Acton shopper Lynn Hellinga, with eight-month-old son Silas, and 13-month-old Luke LeRoux (sitting), at the annual Mom-to-Mom sale at St. Alban's Church on Saturday. – Ted Tyler photo

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