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Some businesses don't just serve a community, they become part of its story. The Ingersoll Barbershop is one of those places.

Recognized as one of the oldest barbershops in Ontario, this local institution has been part of downtown Ingersoll since 1909. For over a century, it has remained in the same location on King Street West, quietly witnessing generations of change — from two world wars to modern-day life — while continuing to offer something simple and timeless: a good haircut and a great conversation.

Today, the shop is proudly owned and operated by Rosalyn Barden, an IDC alumna who has been cutting hair for 38 years. What began as a career in hairstyling evolved into something much more when Rosalyn took over the barbershop 15 years ago, continuing a legacy that has only seen a handful of owners in its 115+ year history.

Inside, the experience remains refreshingly traditional. It's first-come, first-served, with no distractions, just the familiar rhythm of clippers, friendly conversation, and a welcoming space where customers can slow down and connect. Many clients have been visiting the shop for decades, a true testament to the relationships built within its walls.

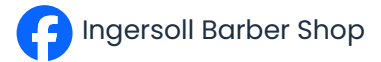
Beyond the barber chair, Rosalyn continues to give back to the community in meaningful ways. Her front windows have become a recognizable show of support for town events, changing throughout the year to reflect local initiatives and celebrations. Each August, the barbershop also participates in the Oxford County Library's Story Walk Campaign, transforming the windows into a creative and engaging storytelling display for all to enjoy.

From its deep historical roots to its ongoing role in community life, the Ingersoll Barbershop is more than a place for a trim, it's a living piece of Ingersoll's heritage.

And as Rosalyn puts it best: she's not going anywhere.

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