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YOUTH SUBMISSION:

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Introduction:

According to criteria 5, the community of Mississauga has to prove it supports its youth in public events. The community accomplishes this by attending such events that are planned by youth or that the community helps youth to plan. The purpose of these public events is to present youth in a positive light, while respecting what they have to offer to the community and making them feel included and valued as equals in the community. Such events include anything from artwork shows, sports tournaments, dances and talent shows. Often these events are open to the local public for little to no charge and are funded mainly by the city or local organizations. The city of Mississauga has many organizations and facilities that support the production of these events, and they act as our evidence to prove Mississauga as a youth friendly community. We have collected this information from the event coordinators, youth participators and even youth councils that are made entirely of youth via telephone interviews.

Why do these events happen and why are they important?

Before we can go into detail about these youth events, it is important to first understand why these youth events happen and their impact on our youth. From the responses we received from the organizations we have contacted it all comes down to one thing, positive youth development. There are differences in the messages that the organizations have for the youth but they all want to implement the notion of character building and confidence. The Mississauga Arts Council (MAC) is a youth friendly organization that has its own association for young artists called "Limelight" (Ref 2-13). Limelight's mission is to provide young artists opportunities for growth and recognition for the arts. We spoke to a council member, Sonja Poweska, regarding their annual event called the "Mississauga Future Star" and we asked her why these events are important for the youth (Ref 5-1). Her response was **"it is important that these young artists have a platform to grow with their creativity and self-expression. Also these art events help build confidence in young artists because they can showcase their talent to the community with help and encouragement from our group."** The MAC holds a few annual events; however on a smaller scale they hold monthly "Open Mic Nights" where youth can perform almost as a practice for bigger events. Another organization that

holds youth events is The Dam, they hold smaller scale events but effective none the least, for all of the youth who participate. The Dam's goal is to promote positive relationships between the community and the youth by providing youth a place where they can feel welcome and safe. When asked about why these events are important, a staff member of the Dam, Chris, had to say **"Youth need to know they are valued in the community for them to feel connected, safe and accepted by the community, and with these events we can show them that."** Another event is the Carassauga Festival; it is an annual 3-day event that started in 1986 which displays the cultures of countries from all over the world. The Carassauga Festival is a large scale event and is a big supporter of youth involvement by providing youth the chance to volunteer and fulfill community hours. By having youth volunteers, it gives them a sense of responsibility and shows that they are contributing to the community, making the youth feel important and valued. Aside from these organizations we have also contacted and researched local community centres. The community centres in Mississauga hold a range of local events which include sports tournaments, dances and pool parties. We contacted the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre and spoke to Errol Lowe, the event coordinator for their "3 on 3 Basketball Event", and asked him why it is important to hold such events (Ref 5-2). His answer was that **"It provides them a positive environment where they can feel empowered and respected but also a place to learn sportsmanship and leadership"**. There are many other youth events with similar messages listed in the appendix, however to go through individual messages would be exhaustive. It is clear that these events are important for youth to feel appreciated and welcomed but also it is important for their own personal development, and Mississauga provides them many opportunities with such events.

What are these youth events? And who organizes them?

Specific youth events that occur in Mississauga consist of the **Halloween Movie Night** run by the Recreational Society for Teens, a youth committee from the Erin Meadows Community Centre (Ref 5-3). A Halloween-themed movie is selected for youth to come in and watch and play some sports in the gym after the movie. Another event is the annual **Mississauga Youth Games (MY Games)** which is a sports tournament organized in an Olympic style fashion where youths can participate in competing with each other or volunteering for the event (Ref 5-4). MY Games target participants are between the ages of 10-13 years. However, the volunteers that help carry out the events and referee the games are mainly youth in the ages of 14-25 years of age. MY Games is a non-profit organization whose goals are to promote healthy active-living and fair play to the youth. Another event that is planned by two youth groups is the **"Lights Off, Dance On!"** event held at the Clarkson Community Centre (Ref 5-5). This dance was organized by the Recreational Society for Teens (Erin Meadows Community Centre) and the VOYCE, the youth advisory committee of the Clarkson Community Centre. These two youth groups came together and planned one event for youth

members of both community centres. It is a youth planned event for youth which is supported by the program coordinators of the centres. **The Carassauga Singing Star** is a talent show which ran during the Carassauga Festival for youth in the ages of 15-25 years old to participate. Participants join to showcase their talents and to compete for prizes. This event is carried out by the event coordinators of the Carassauga Festival with the help of many volunteers, which are largely youth based (Ref 5-15). Furthermore, the **Mississauga Youth Connect 2011** is a youth event organized by three organizations: the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee, the Mississauga Youth Plan and Mississauga's Recreation and Parks Department (Ref 5-13). This event was hosted to bring youth-servicing agencies in one place and showcase what they have to offer to those who are unaware of their programs and opportunities. Lastly, the **Seventh Annual Outdoor 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament** is an event hosted by the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre for youth between the ages of 8-21 years old (Ref 5-2). At this event youth are welcomed to participate in teams to play one another for prizes and to enjoy a complimentary BBQ and drinks. These are only a few of the events that happen in Mississauga and with several community centres which hold local events monthly, and the many not-for-profit organizations that cater to youth this just further shows how youth friendly Mississauga truly is.

Where and when do these events take place?

Youth events are mostly held in community centres or recreation centres because they provide youth a large space to get together for play and fun. The scale of the event is also a determining factor on where these events take place. For example, the **Carassauga Festival** is a large scale event which takes place all over the city, and due to the size of this event it only occurs annually. This year the Carassauga Festival took place on June 3 – June 5, 2011. **The Mississauga Future Star** is a multiple-day event where contestants come back depending on the judges decisions (Ref 5-14). This year the event took place at the Metalworks Institute of Sound & Music Production for the preliminary rounds and the final event occurred at the Mississauga Waterfront Festival on June 19, 2011. Another large scale event is the Mississauga Youth Connect 2011. This event was held at the recently renovated Celebration Square in front of City Hall. This took place on July 29, 2011 and is the first time it has been run. The events that occur at Community Centres such as the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre are usually smaller scale events that involve the local community that immediately surrounds them. Since these events are smaller scale they require less extensive planning and so, are easier to carry out on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. Youth only need to drop by their local community centres to learn about these events.

How many youth attended this event, and how many participated?

In order for youth to receive the benefits of these events they have to attend and participate in them. The measure of how youth friendly we are as a city can be

measured by the number of youth participants that come to these events. Therefore, we have gathered information on several events to portray our youth friendly community. The first event is the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre's "3-on-3 Basketball Tournament", we contacted Errol Lowe who informed us that there were 60 youth participating in the game and another 40 who attended to watch and enjoy the free BBQ. Another event is the Carassauga Festival, where we contacted Edna Raposo, the event coordinator for the Carassauga Singing Star and the Vice-chair of the Carassauga Board of Directors, who informed us that there were around 4000 volunteers and more than half were youth between the ages of 14-25. She also told us that for the Singing Star competition there were 20 initial participants and 10 finalists, ending in one winner. She mentioned that the reason they have so much youth participating is that they initially come to fulfill their community hours but end up coming back in following years because they enjoyed it their first time. One other big event is the annual MY Games, where 300 youths between the ages of 10-13 participated. On top of the youth participating, there were around 70 volunteers in the ages of 14-25 who helped organize the event. Also, the Mississauga Future Star organized by the MAC had 80 youths performed and another 160 who attended the event. Our contact at the MAC, Sonja Poweska, also informed us that their monthly Open Mic Nights bring out 90 youths ages 15-24 that participate and watch. Moreover, the River Grove Community Centre had a Hawaiian Themed Pool Party which is one of the first events that was organized by their CURRENTS Youth Committee, which brought in 37 youths ages 10-18 years old. Lastly, there is the Dam's 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament and Block Party which was held together at the Meadowvale Community Centre. A Dam staff member, Chris, informed us that there were 100 participants in the tournament and another 80 who came and watched.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING EVIDENCE:

- **Mayor Youth Advisory Council**- Hosts many city wide events that promote youth engagement in leadership. i.e. Mississauga Youth Week, Arts for Change-Youth Talent show,
- **Mississauga Sports Council**- Hosts Mississauga Sports Week. A variety of activities are planned in partnership with the community of encourage, engage and create a greater awareness around opportunities for play in Mississauga.
- **City of Mississauga Community Centres**- A wide range of events are hosted and supported by the community centres in Mississauga. Some of these include the Nubreed Basketball Tournament, Breakdance event and Youth Kick-off event that were all held at the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre. There are also events for youth that are planned by youth including the Holiday Kick Off at Erin Meadows CC, Summer Splash and Dunk at Erin Meadows CC, Valentine's Day dance at Frank McKechnie CC and the Halloween Dance held at Huron Park (250 youth age 12-16 attended this dance)(Ref 5-6).

- **YMCA**- Holds a youth triathlon for youth up to age 15 with 100 participants (Ref 5-7).
- **Peel Board of Education**- Hosts Leadership Now, a two day event that hosts 4,500 middle school students, as well as 4,500 high school students. The board supports many city events that bring students from across the region together to celebrate. Some of these events include Student Peace Day, Peel Vocal Festival, Eco Buzz Conference, CIDA student leadership fair and various sports tournaments.
- **Schools**- Support a wide variety of student hosted event and activities such as dances, concerts, community fundraising etc. For example: Dolphin Middle school hosted 180 Fuse where 65 students enjoyed active games, live music, card games and food while discussing positive life choices (Ref 5-12)
- **Mosiac**- This multi disciplinary arts festival was developed to support the arts and artists in the community. Although this event has a South Asian Flair it is not restricted to one single culture. The event is a Kaleidoscope or reigning youth, popular culture, visual and performing arts. The event, Rock the Coliseum featured two full days of live entertainment for youth, including a body slam/mosh pit.
- **Living Arts Centre**- Hosted the International showcase of performing arts for young people, lunch hour concert series, and most recently hosted the Mississauga News- battle of the bands this fall, giving Mississauga based bands a venue for competition.
- **Mississauga Waterfront Festival**- In partnership with Mississauga News, Future Stars Competition is a vocal competition that attracts many youth participants from across the city, Winners are showcased before live performances on the main stage, receive a cash reward as well as professional studio time at Metal Works Studio. The festival also has a skateboarding showcase and skateboard team try outs for Gravity.
- **Santa Clause Parade**- Multiple youth groups perform in the parade, as well as volunteer as a part of the event.
- **Mississauga Arts Council**- Host regular student show cases and offer free workshops (Ref 5-11)
- **Corporate Organizations**- Provide support to youth events through sponsorships or prize donations. Other organizations such as Healthy Living Peel provide funding to support new initiatives such as the youth cricket challenge.
- **Youth Designated Facilities**- Host regular events for their own membership. For Example, The Dam-hosts regular events on site and at local indoor (auction/fundraiser) and outdoor facilities (basketball tournament at local community centre courts) (Ref 5-8)
- **University of Toronto**- Mississauga Campus hosts a variety of events on site that are geared toward the student population but are also attended by the

local community. For example, Movies in the Park, Free Style and Flat Line Events, Toronto Argos open practices and community celebrations, Blackwood Art Gallery Shows.

- **Arts-** Mississauga Youth Choir, Youth Orchestra, Youth Theatre, Youth Musical Productions, are but a few youth based non profit organizations that are supported by the community through performance ticket sales, fundraisers, performance venues, sponsorship, etc.
- **Project: Live & Mature Lens-** This event presented a short film created by youth to express feelings and stories towards the issues of violence, gender identity, alcohol abuse and eating disorders. All youth, organizations and community residents were invited out to this event (Ref 5-10).
- **Other-** Cultural groups, centres, and religious institutions support many events for their youth membership in particular cultural dancing groups and other art forms. (For Example: Word of Life Fellowship Canada hosted the "Ontario Super-Bowl" student event for grade 7-12. This fun event included attendance to an OHL hockey game, followed by a Gospel message, pizza, pop and many fun activities (Ref 5-9).



Youth Friendly Application Information Gathering
 Agency Survey Responses
 Supporting Criteria 5

Agency Name	Briefly describe any large-scale events your organizations run or are involved with. Please indicate if it was an adult-initiated, youth-initiated or adult-youth partnership event and approximately how many youth attended.
Mississauga Credit Valley Lions Club	Tree planting in the spring. Adult initiated.
Credit Valley Conservation / Conservation Youth Corps	we participate in as many community-based events as we can. some are youth-initiated, some are not. some of the events we have participated in include: Eco-buzz, Eco-fair, various volunteer fairs, our own Stewardship Forum and others
Safe City Mississauga	Neighbours Night Out - Planned for adults - approximately 100 youth attended. Crime Prevention Conference - Planned for Adults - expecting approximately 200 youth (November 4th, 2011)
Peel Children and Youth Initiative	PCYI has held numerous community consultations in the past three years, including one youth focused and adult-youth facilitated. These consultations helped inform the selection of our strategic initiatives. Approximately 100 people were in attendance, 80% youth.
Youth Ministry - Mississauga City Baptist Church	All events are adult-youth partnership - our biggest event saw 60 youth for an all-night event
Cross of Life Lutheran Church	Youth Friday Night Program. Ages 10 to 17. Every Friday night from October to May. About 20 attend weekly. Adult initiated.
Camilla Road Sr. P.S.	Mississauga Marathon-adult initiated. First year 300 participants(2008), then around 100 now down to 50....cost is prohibitive. Mississauga Sports Day 2011-50 students, adult initiated
Churchill Meadows Christian Church	Operation Christmas Child - every year we try to fill as many boxes we can (adult and youth initiated) All youth are involved in this campaign. Quest Day Camp - every summer our church provides an affordable day camp for kids (youth led and youth initiated) A lot of youth around ages 15-19 run the program.
MiWay the new Mississauga Transit/ City of Mississauga	Not at this time
Nexus Youth Services	We hosted 6 special events to celebrate different occasions (such as Black History Month, International Year of Youth, Volunteer Appreciation) which were attended by 227 youth. With the exception of the Volunteer Appreciation Events, they were all planned in partnership with youth.
Mississauga Business Enterprise Centre	The Summer Company is a Provincial initiative and is funded by the government of Ontario (MEDT) over 10 years now. The program capacity is approximately 600 participants every year from the whole province.
The Detour Youth Drop-In Center	Our Annual FREE BBQ held in July is a great event for the community. We give out free hamburgers, hot dogs, and cold drinks to everyone. There are games and music for the entire day. It is a great opportunity for us to serve those around us and generate interest in The Detour. It is always a staff-youth partnership, as the youth help put out signs, serve food, and play music.
Citizens For The Advancement Of Community Development	Cacd runs a Black History Month event, health fair forums, youth justice presentations, youth justice workshops, and dinner galas. All of our events are run by both staff and student volunteers.
St. Teresa of Avila Elementary School	Operation Christmas Child is an adult youth partnership. Approximately 10 youth attend.
City Centre Baptist Church	We run an event a month on average and they are usually adult-youth led in partnership. Twice a year we do full weekend camping retreats, both in the summer and winter. Each fall we do over/all night events, Christmas events, and various other things throughout the year.
Newcomer Information Centre, Youth	ALL our events are youth initiated or adult-youth partnership including: Games day, fashion workshop, Dine and learn, Movie day, recreational information day
United Way of Peel Region	Youth in Action Grants have supported youth projects that have ran events of a variety of sizes, including PEYA's Eco Buzz Conference which was attended by over 300 high school and middle school students.
St. Elizabeth's Anglican Church	No.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel	Our Agency organizes two large scale events for youth each year - our Holiday Party and our Annual Picnic. 200 youth attended these events.
Art of Living - Youth Empowerment Seminar (YESI)	Tree planting in the city of mississauga - we have been doing it since past 3 years and it was an adult initiated, but totally done with the support of both adult and youth. more then 40 youths have taken part in it.

Volunteer MBC	Change the World (see above)
Nahani Way Public School	As a school, we organize many school day events such as Terry Fox Run, Jump Rope for Heart, Remembrance Day, etc. We also offer two concerts a year which are large in scale. We also host regular school council meetings and family literacy meetings.
Art of Living Foundation	for 3 years we have planted over 4000 trees and adopted a park for 2 years and clean and maintain the park. earth day celebration by cleaning the city streets and contributing. these initiated by youths and mostly youths take part and it's a adult-youth partnership in working
Canadian Martyrs Catholic School	NA. Numerous Boardwide /School Community wide events
Peel Regional Police	Over the past two years Peel Regional Police, in partnership with the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, recruited, hired and employed 15 students over the summer months. Students worked alongside and were mentored by officers and civilian members of the service while they gained a myriad of work and life experiences. Our hiring parameters included youth aged 14-17 years of age, returning to school in September and from at-risk, diverse communities. School guidance counselors were then requested to recommend potential candidates and assist them with their applications. The scope of this endeavour was very broad and extensive and included in-class education, presentations, tours and job specific training. The program has been very well received and plans are underway to continue the program into 2012. (Adult Initiated) In November 2011 Youth Education officers took part in a stand up anti-bullying rally at Blessed John XXIII School in Mississauga. The school was one of 4 chosen out of 1250 entries across Canada. The rally focused on a segment for the What's Up Warthogs television show which will be aired on
Clarkson Secondary School - Modern Balik Art Club - www.clubmodernbalik.com	The students have partnered with Rapport Youth and Family Services, the School Student Council and developed summer camps as well as extracurricular clubs in the school.
Canadian Association of Multicultural People. Our website is www.camp-on.com	Adult-youth partnership event held on July 9th, 2011.
Region of Peel Public Health	IL2L youth leadership conference - adult initiated but youth consulted during focus groups for their needs - approx. 4 youth from every high school in Peel attended
Mississauga Arts Council	The Mississauga Arts Council frequently produces events that are adult-youth partnerships. The Mississauga Arts Council produces two large scale events annually (the MARTYS and our ARTBEATS Gala) as well as numerous small scale events. The MARTYS (formerly known as the Mississauga Arts Awards) honours top artists in the city of Mississauga with an evening of red-carpet glamour and monetary awards. We have honoured numerous emerging/youth artists in the past and will continue on with this event in future. Both of our gala events were adult initiated. In addition to these events, we also produce monthly open mic nights, workshops and numerous events. Our monthly open mic nights are a youth initiated event that see the participation of over 25 to 30 youth on a monthly basis. We are also collaborating with the City of Mississauga to produce a large New Year's Eve event in Celebration Square for New Year's Eve (2011) this event was adult initiated and will feature the Mississauga Arts Council's top young performers. In the past MAC has helped to produce many events in partnership that were youth driven including the Mississau
YMCA Peel Youth Village	Peace by peace teen nights YLC YMCA teen strategy; life stage teens 13-18 yrs old
Art Gallery of Mississauga	
Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (project of EcoSource)	We run the EcoBuzz Conference, which is an environmental conference for high school students. It was adult-initiated, but is organized through adult-youth partnership. Every year, we have approximately 400 participants. We also run our PEYA Region-wide Stewardship Day. It is an adult-youth partnership event, and there are approximately 300 participants every year.
REACHOUT COMMITTEE	Reachout does the Annual Walk for Peace - which youth participate to bring awareness to youth violence and its effects in the community Annual Community back to school barbeque- you help out to assist low income family with back to school supplies Blackology Dinner and Scholarship Awards - coordinate and hosted by youth scholarships given to youth going off to post secondary institution Annual Christmas event- provide christmas gifts to kids and families Youth Rally - giving youth a voice in the community Freestyle Fridays where youth meet to discuss various topics and be engaged
The Works/Core at Erindale Bible Chapel	We have a winter retreat with about 30 attending.
Gateway Centre for New Canadians	One of the largest events our organization was involved with was a youth initiated project called "operation inspire". It promoted a dance and mentoring programs to youths in different schools in Mississauga. Over 500 participants got involved.

Mississauga Future Star 2011

Singer/songwriter Jake Robertson wins Future Star title

If there's one thing we know for sure, it's that Mississauga's got talent! This year's Mississauga Future Star Competition proved our strong belief!

The 2011 Mississauga Future Star Finals featured an incredible batch of up-and-coming singers ranging in age from 15 to 25. From unbelievable rock singers to original singer/songwriters, the competition held on June 19, 2011 during the Mississauga Waterfront Festival was intense!

Under a sunny suburban sky, the top ten vocalists belted it out for a chance to win the coveted title. There were sweeping renditions of "I will always love you," Pop-versions of "Stairway to Heaven" and catchy original tunes performed by the finalists. Finalist Khadijah Lopez dazzled the audience as she performed her original composition titled, "Who I am." The stunning artist sat at the piano to perform her song which showcased her mature sound and insightful lyrics.

Our judges including Bluesman Johnny Max, vocalist Carolyn Lykkemark and singer/model Sean Jones had a difficult job selecting the winner. Taking home the title of 2011 Mississauga Future Star was singer/songwriter Jake Robertson. The multi-talented singer/songwriter wowed the judges with his transcendent song "Humble Hero." The young artist effortlessly accompanied himself on the acoustic guitar.

Following behind in second place was country singer Sarah Rideout who dazzled with her cover version of Carry Underwood's "Crazy Dreams." Coming in third place was vocalist Gabriela Rogers whose incredible vocal range and flexibility were a delight to hear.

Produced by the Mississauga Arts Council with the Mississauga Waterfront Festival and Metalworks Institute of Sound and Music Production, the competition took place over the course of three months where vocalists were screened at the Preliminary round, the Semi-finals and the Finals. Past winners include vocalists Michelle Madeira, Dale Luarca and Candace Santos who have all progressed in the Canadian music scene. If you would like to audition for the competition next year, please stay tuned to the MAC website for updates and audition information.



Winner Jake Robertson. Photo by Dave Merrow.

Mississauga
Future Star

CONGRATULATIONS

to the 2011 Future Star
Finalists!

Jake Robertson
Sarah Rideout
Gabriela Rogers
Brittini Kenny
Rachael Elyse Delano
Pedro Casas
Khadijah Lopez
Jamilah Dei-Sharpe
Steve Luxton
Stephen Parcalidis



Future star runner-up Gabriela Rogers with Sarah Rideout with Jake Robertson.
Photo by Dave Merrow

**7th Annual
Mississauga Community
Outdoor 3 on 3
Basketball Tournament
Saturday August 13 , 2011**



Location: "Burnhamthorpe
Community Centre"-1500 Gulleden Drive,
Mississauga, ON

Registration: Ends Aug 12, 2011
Game Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Skills Contest: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.



NO ENTRY FEE!

4 Team Members per Team
Combination Male/Female optional
It's all about respect for one another, team play and having fun!!!
Rules: Round Robin Tourney
15-minute game or 11 points, Other teams possession after

Age registration: 7-21 yrs.

Age Group Pairing:

Girls/Boys 7- 9 yrs.

Girls/Boys 13 - 15 yrs.

Girls/Boys 10 – 12 yrs.

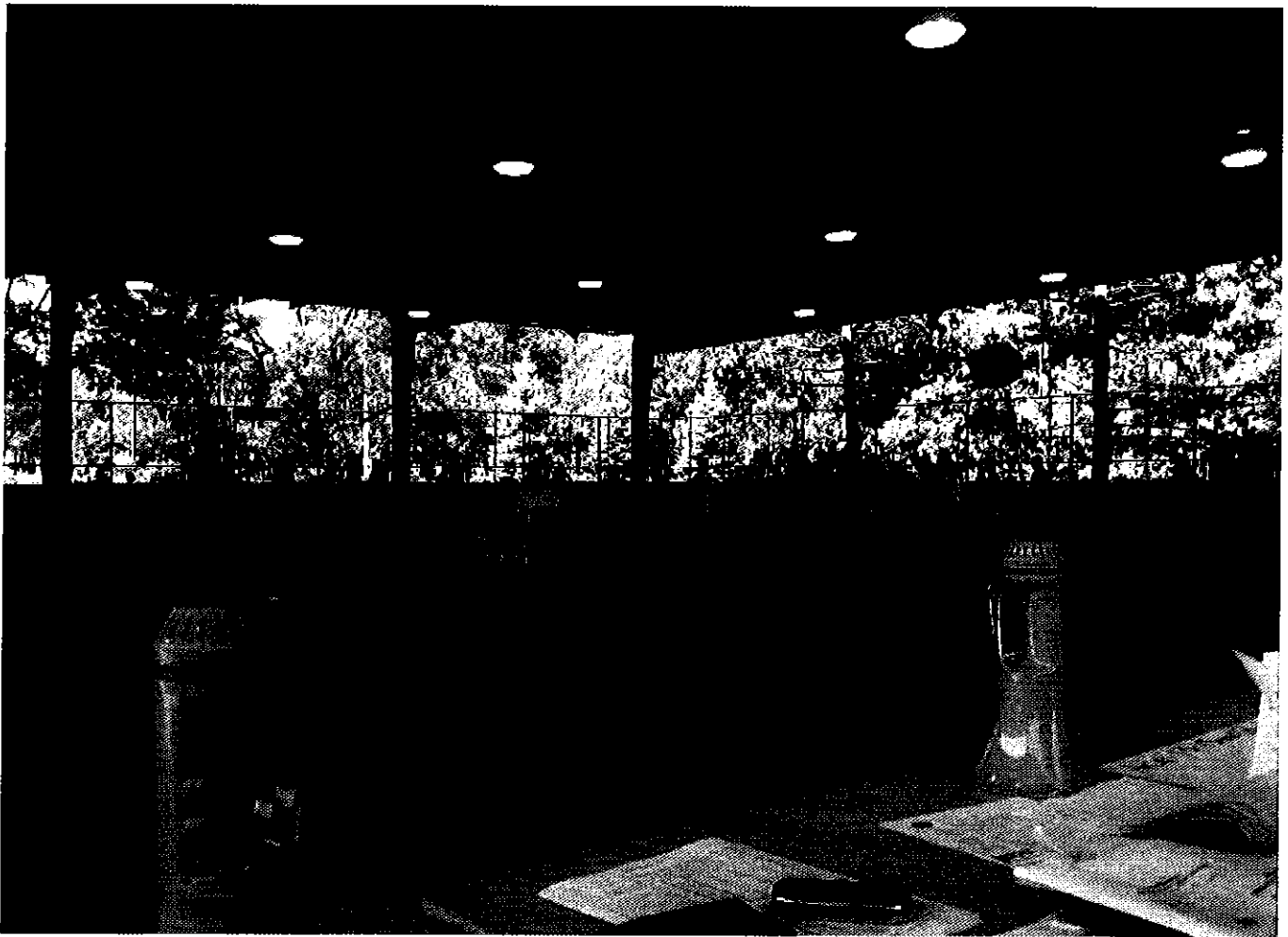
Girls/Boys 16 – 17 yrs.

Girls/Boys 18 – 21yrs.

Prizes for all winning categories, skill contest, performances, free barbecue, snacks and drinks!
Contact: Errol Lowe - 647-896-5176, e errol@errol.com (e "underscore" lowe)
Erin Townshend - 905-615-4630 ext 2488, Erin.Townshend@mississauga.ca

Sponsored by:





Basket ball Tournament Nubreed Aug 13, 2011

Halloween Movie Night

Come join the Recreational Society for Teens on

October 29th, 2010

6:00 pm — 10:00 pm

for a spooky night of Halloween movies,
pizza, popcorn and prizes! - for ages 12-24



Not a fan of one of the movies? Join us in the gym at 7:30 for either basketball, soccer or badminton!

Participants are also encouraged to bring canned goods for the Eden Community Food Bank.





Youth enjoy competition

The Mississauga News
October 2, 2011

Some 200 Mississauga youth played with their heart and soul today during the sixth annual Mississauga Youth Games (MY Games) at T.L. Kennedy Secondary School.

The athletes in grades 6-8 competed in eight sports: baseball, basketball, cricket, flag football, floor hockey, soccer, track and volleyball.

The free day of competition included a team uniform and lunch. Each participant won a gold, silver or bronze medal.

"The MY Games shows how sport unites all ages, genders and cultures in our city. Young aspiring athletes will benefit greatly from their experience here at these Games," said president and founder Louroz Mercader. "We look forward to helping inspire and train future athletes who might compete for Canada at the Pan American Games or Olympics in the future."

"The kids keep coming back because they have fun," he said. "It's a free opportunity to experience a variety of sports. Sometimes the costs of programs outside of school is a barrier for parents and their children, but I believe every young person should have equal opportunity to participate in sport."

The MY Games were founded in 2006 with a grant from the Province of Ontario. The original event was held at the Dixie-Bloor Neighbourhood Centre.

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MY Games. The Mississauga Youth Games (MY Games) brought together 200 young athletes who competed in eight different sports at T.L. Kennedy Secondary School. The blustery conditions couldn't get Kiana Burke away from her post at the out-of-bounds flag. *Staff photo by Fred Loek*

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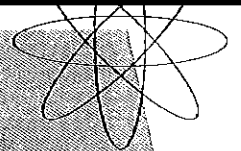
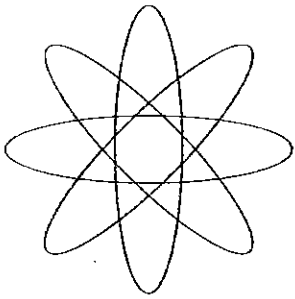
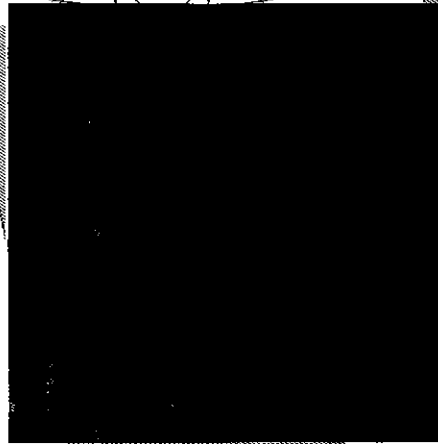
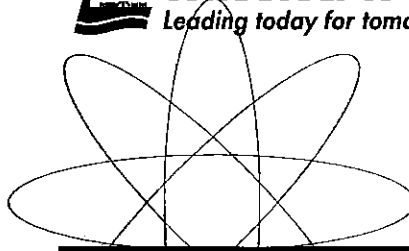
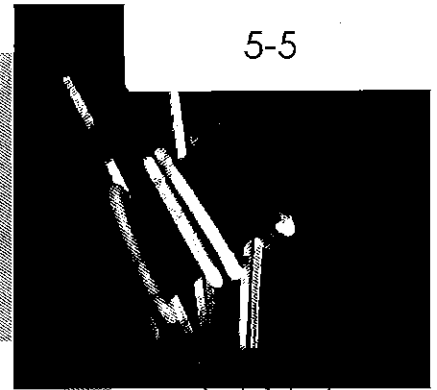
Playing Games - Danielle Mackenzie, Manny Tolias, Felicia Daisy and Vanessa Daisy form the "M" for Mississauga Youth Games Sunday afternoon at Mississauga Valley Community Centre. The games were a venue for healthy competition and featured sports like soccer, swimming, floor hockey and volleyball. See story page A2.

Photo by Steven Der-Garabedian



MISSISSAUGA
Leading today for tomorrow

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Dancing in the Dark

***Come out to this *FREE* dance in support
of Earth Hour***

WHEN: Fri March 25th from 7:00-9:30pm

WHERE: Clarkson CC

WHAT: Black Lights, Glo Paint/ Glo
Sticks/Bracelets, Great Music &
Friends (Glo stuff & snacks sold for \$1 or less!)

WHO: Grades 5-8 & 9-10

(our older crowd is welcome to hang in a separate room as well)



Turn out the lights

Surjit Singh Flora, Mississauga
March 24, 2010

Dear Editor:

This year, the City of Mississauga will be hosting an Earth Hour celebration at the Civic Centre on March 27 from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

The event will feature many great youth-oriented performances. Light refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome to join in.

Students are being encouraged to take public transit or carpool to the Civic Centre for the event. A free youth transit ticket will be provided at the conclusion of Earth Hour for the ride home.

Earth Hour is a global lights-out movement that will bring together millions of people to show support for action on climate change. This year, people in 92 countries and regions will turn off their lights on March 27 at 8:30 p.m.

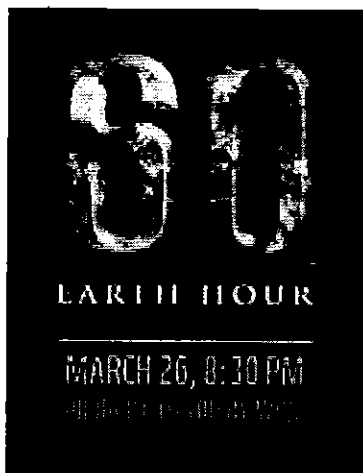
Millions of people, organizations, corporations and governments around the world will come together to make a bold statement about their concern for climate change by doing something simple — turning off their lights for an hour.

Earth Hour shows all citizens want a healthier world.

Meanwhile, during Earth Hour, you can do lots of fun things in the dark! Plan a candlelight dinner for your sweetie or a group of friends. Play board games, tell stories and sing songs with your kids and your neighbours.

Meanwhile, you also can make long-term changes that will help save energy. Buy power boards with "off" switches so appliances aren't on stand-by at night, insulate your home and use energy-efficient light bulbs.

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Clarkson Community Centre Glow-In-the Dark Dance Event

"Earth Hour is officially on March 26th, but Clarkson Community Centre is having a Glow-in the Dark Dance party for grades 9 & 10 to Jump Start the festivities! Happening on Friday March 25th, from 7-9:30pm, Clarkson Community Centre is hosting it's first official Glow-in the Dark Dance Party to honour Earth Hour! Want to get in on the action – black lights, glo wear, glo paint! Check out facebook.com/clarkson.cc to find out more about the event. Remember, admittance to the dance is FREE! Glo stuff and snacks will be on sale at this GLOWING event!"

Thank you so much for including this in your announcements this week. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call at 905-615-4840 x2123.

Rachel

Rachel Fraser
Community Program Supervisor
Clarkson/Port Credit Facilities
905-615-4840 x2123

H.Y.P.E. YOUTH DANCE

5-6

Friday October 28th 7-9:30pm
@ Huron Park Community Centre

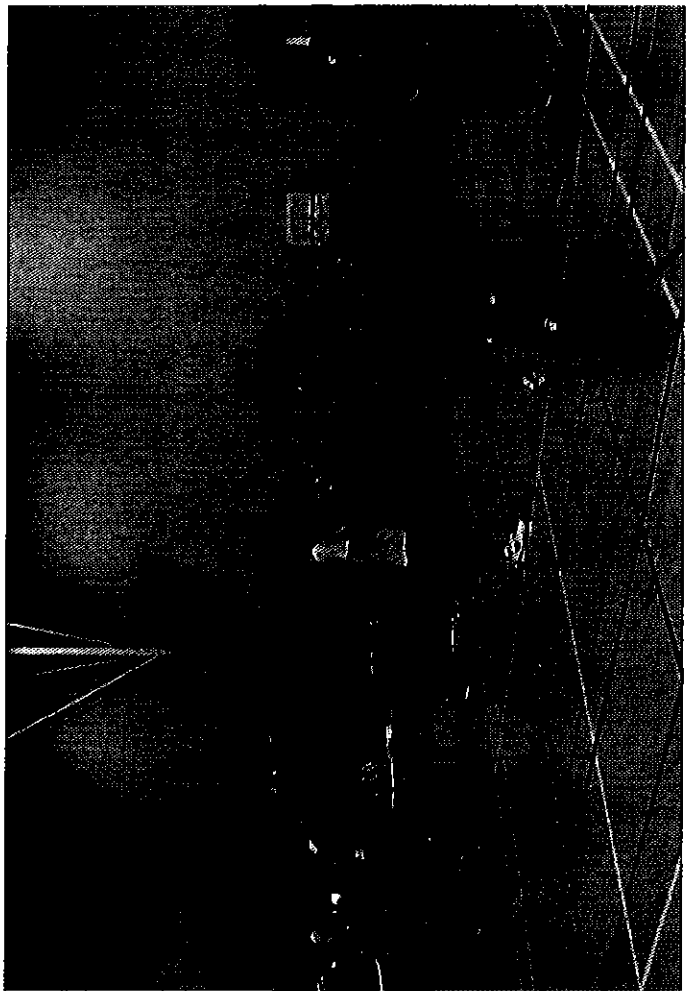
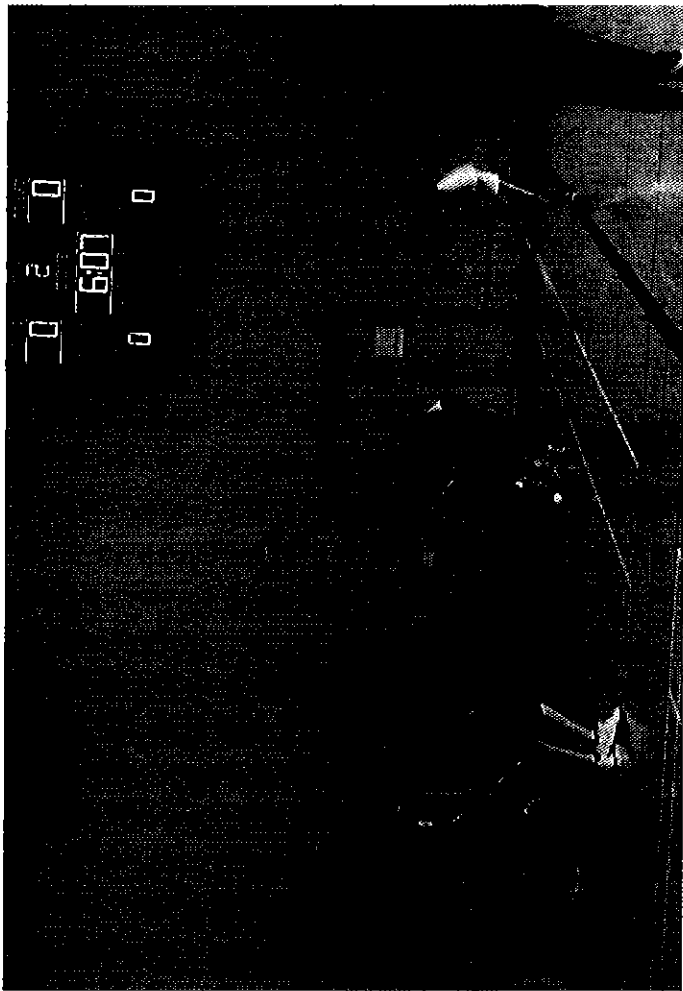


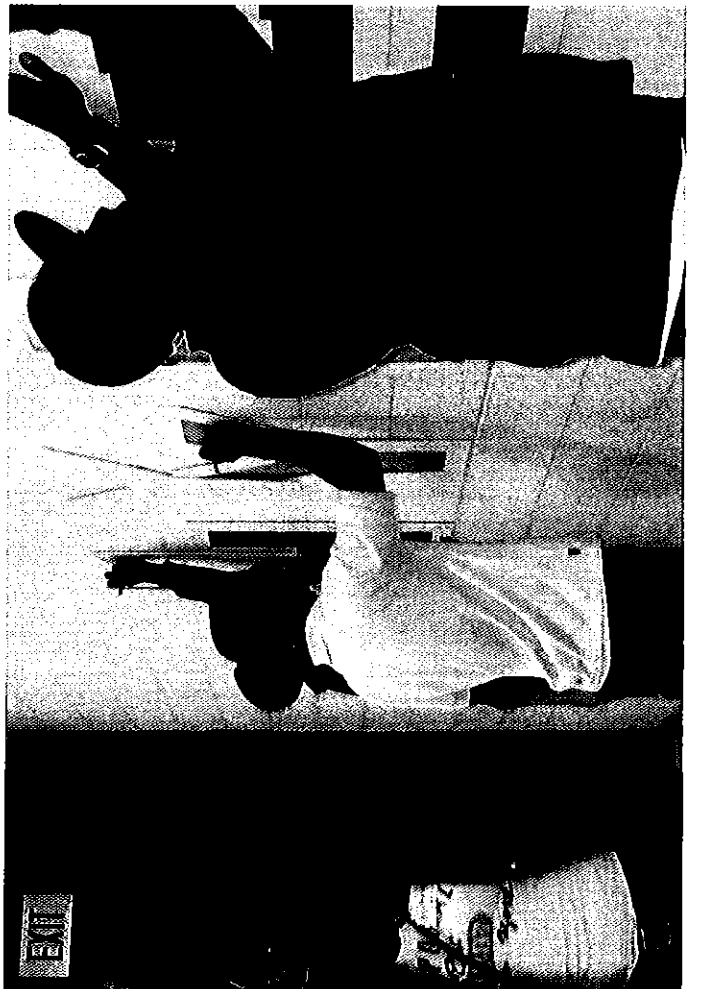
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1 Raffle Ticket per Non-Perishable Food Item
Enter to win an AWESOME PRIZE PACK & MORE!

Purchase Tickets NOW at Huron Park CC
Before They SELL OUT!

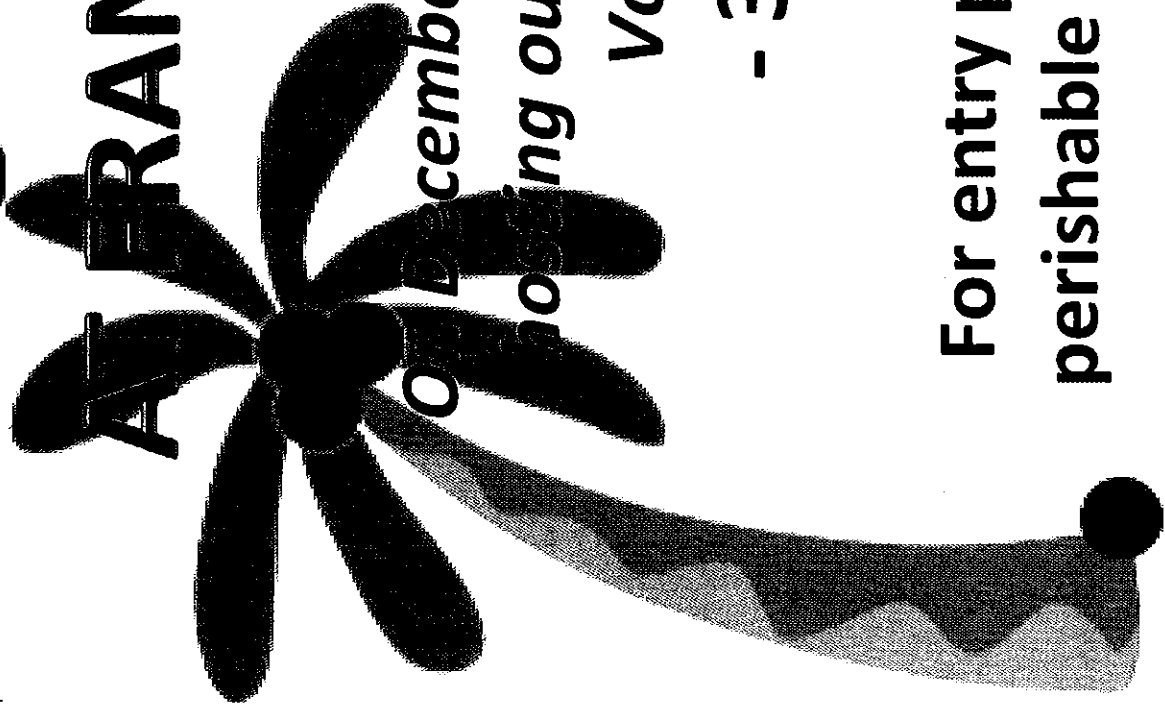






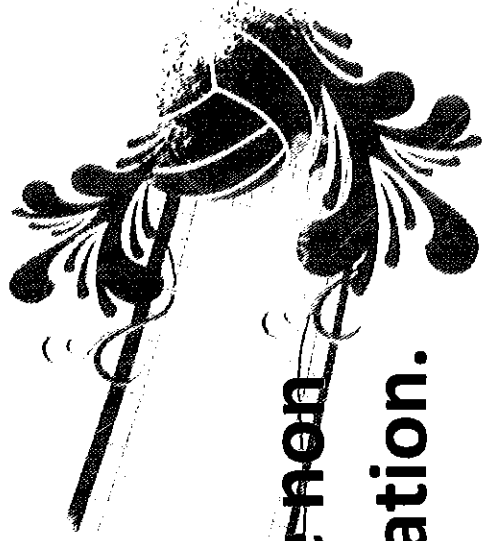
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A FRANK MCKECHNIE !



On December 9th Frank McKechnie is
hosting our first High School Pool
Volleyball Party!

- 3:30 to 4:30 -



For entry please bring in one ~~non~~
perishable food item for donation.

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Community Centre

Where there's
something for everyone

Interested in a BASKETBALL LEAGUE?



When: Saturdays, this summer

Where: BCC

Who: Ages 14 to 17

Contact Erin Townshend at
erin.townshend@mississauga.ca to show
your interest or add a message to our
discussion board on facebook!

*Clarkson Community
Centre Presents...*

**3 on 3 Basketball
Tournament**

Strut Your Stuff at this tournament unlike any other. Now is the time to get your team together and start practicing for the most exciting three-on-three basketball tournament you've seen!

Each team is guaranteed to play 2 matches, round robin format, with semi-final and final rounds to follow. Each match will last 20 minutes with prizes awarded to the top team. Please note, each team should consist of three to four players and each player must register individually. Captains should submit their teams to the Program Co-ordinator no later than one week prior to tournament day!

Fri Dec 10th
6:30-9:30pm
per player

**Great
Prizes!**

Grades 5-8

Course Code: 529460

Grades 9-12

Course Code: 529533



Holiday Happenings at Clarkson Community Centre

2011

VOYCE (Vision of Youth for Clarkson Events) is our Youth Advisory Committee for the Clarkson area for ages 12-24Y. Events "for youth by youth" is the driving force behind this initiative! The Team has worked really hard to offer a number of amazing events over the holiday season. Have great ideas you would like to see come to your community and looking to join in? Our next meeting is Wed Dec 15th from 3-4:30pm at Clarkson CC!

Friday Dec 10th from 2:30-4:30pm - FREE Youth Fun Swim

Come in out of the Cold during this FREE Youth only swim from 2:30-4:30pm—hang with friends, listen to some great music and make a splash at Clarkson Pool (adjacent to Clarkson Secondary School)!

Wednesday Dec 15th from 5:00-6:30pm—Free Wrap and Craft

Get into the swing of the season! Come and munch on free cookies and hot chocolate while listening to the most popular holiday tunes. Bring your presents and wrap them up in our festive ribbon and paper! Want to make your own unique gift? We have great crafting ideas and free supplies for you to use.

Friday Dec 17th from 3:30-9:30pm - 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Grab your team and come on out to the most exciting 3 on 3 tournament around. Each team is guaranteed to play 2 twenty minutes matches in this round robin format with semi's and finals. Awesome prizes awarded to the top teams. Teams may have up to four players. Cost is just \$1 per player—teams must register by Fri Dec 10th! Separate divisions for Gr 5-8 and 9-12.

Mon/Tues Dec 27-28th from 5-10pm - 3 on 3 Shiny Hockey Tournament

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to come out and play with your friends. A way to get ice time in and play shiny hockey. All teams will play at least two games. Goalies will be available on request. Teams must have a minimum of 3 players and be registered by Wed Dec 22nd. Just \$5.35 per player! Tournament is for players 11-16 years of age. Course Code is 529559 at www.connect2recrea.com



Holiday Camps

Join us for a Holiday Break of excitement and adventure! Activities will include arts and crafts, sports and drama in a fun filled environment. In addition we offer flexible morning and afternoon half day camps. Cannot commit to the full week? Daily drop in spaces are also available!

Camps are offered Dec 20-23rd:

- Fun Camp 7:30-6:00pm 527797
- Fun Seekers 9:00-12:00pm 527947
- 1:00-4:00pm 527950

Holiday Drop Ins

Come on out and join us for a few hours: play some hoops in our gym, listen to music and get active this Holiday season! Drop In Schedule runs Dec 20-23rd and Dec 27-30th.

- Ages 6-8 years 10:00-12:00pm
- Ages 9-11 years 12:00-2:00pm
- Ages 12-14 years 2:00-4:00pm

*Check out our Free Tim Horton's Skate Schedule:

- Sat Dec 18th 7:00-8:30pm
- Sun Dec 19th 1:45-3:15pm
- Mon Dec 20th 12:00-1:30pm
- Wed Dec 22nd 9:00-11:00am
- Thurs Dec 23rd 9:00-1:00am & 12:00-1:30pm

Plus more skates the week of Dec 27th....



3 ON 3 SHINNY HOCKEY Tournament

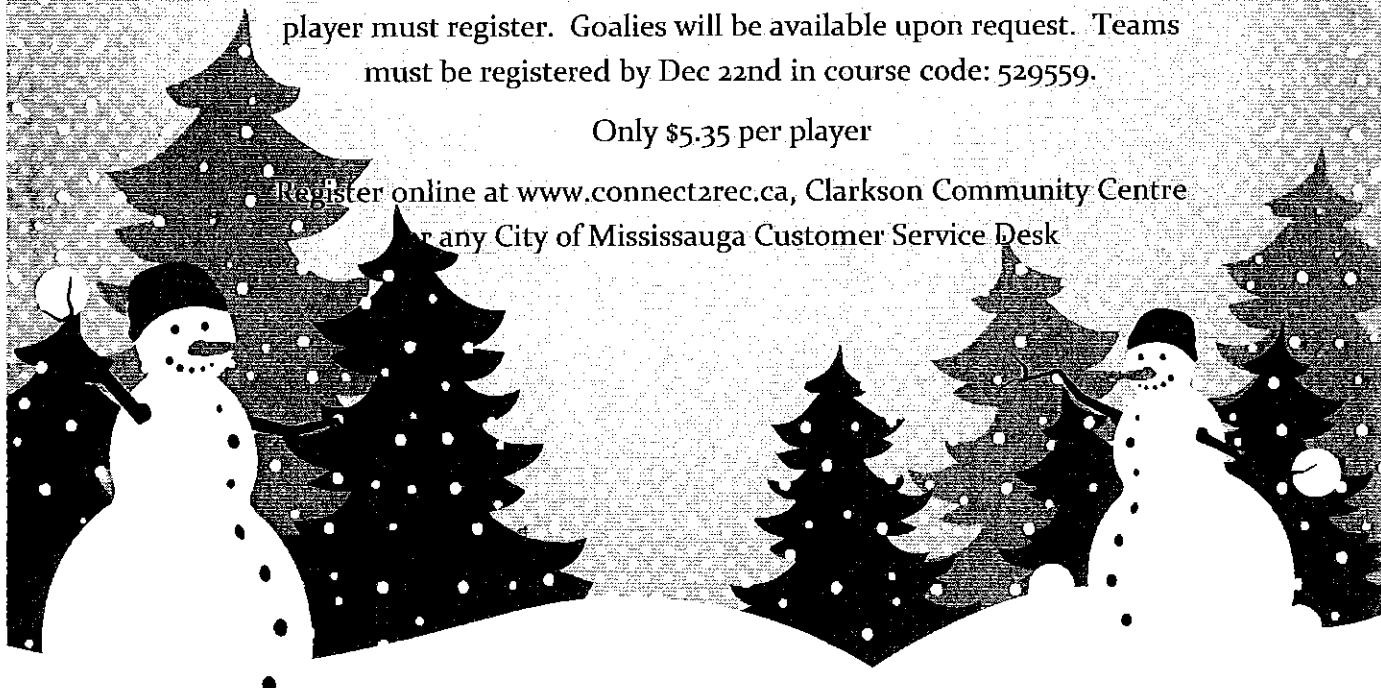
December 27/28 from 5:00-10:00pm

Clarkson Community Centre

Grab your stick and your friends and show off your skills at this tournament unlike any other for ages 14-16Y. Each team is guaranteed two games round robin format, finishing off with semis and finals. Each team should consist of at least 3 players and each player must register. Goalies will be available upon request. Teams must be registered by Dec 22nd in course code: 529559.

Only \$5.35 per player

Register online at www.connect2rec.ca, Clarkson Community Centre or any City of Mississauga Customer Service Desk



VOYCE (Vision of Youth for Clarkson Events) is a team of youth working together to bring new events to your community. Got great ideas you would like to see? Come on out to our next meeting! Follow us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/clarksonCC

Youth Drop-In



Starting January 28th

WHEN: Friday
TIME: 3:30-5:30pm
AGES: 10-14 years old



FREE

Participation only valid with a Youth Drop In Membership Card
...Sign up is FREE at the Customer Service Desk

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Summer Splash & Dunk

Start your summer off with a free
night full of fun!

Who: Youths aged 12-24 years

What: Panago Pizza Dinner, Basketball, Fun
Swim and other fun activities



When: Tuesday, June 28

-6:00-6:30 Panago Pizza Dinner

-6:30-8:30 Basketball - Outdoor courts

-7:30-9:00 Fun Swim - Pool

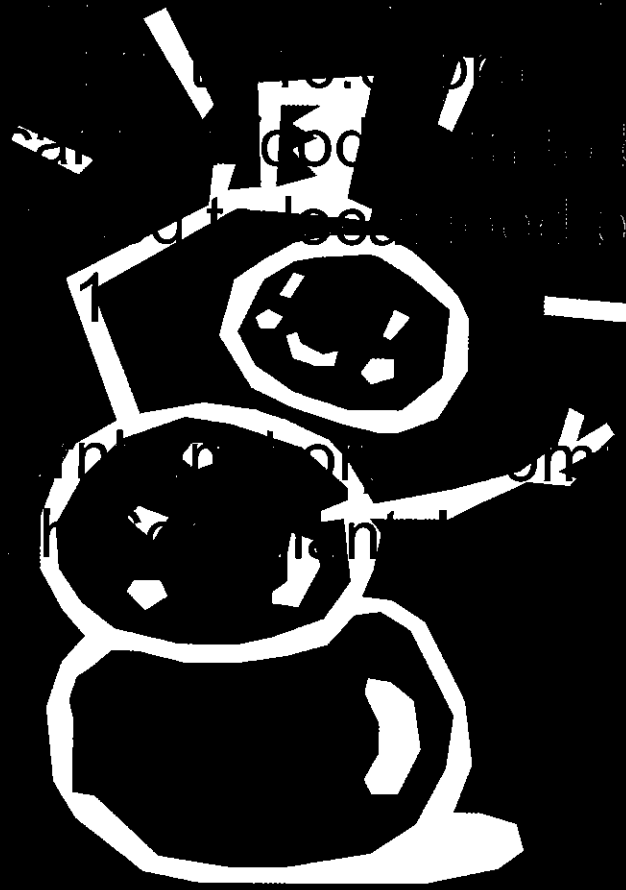
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2800 Erin Centre Blvd.

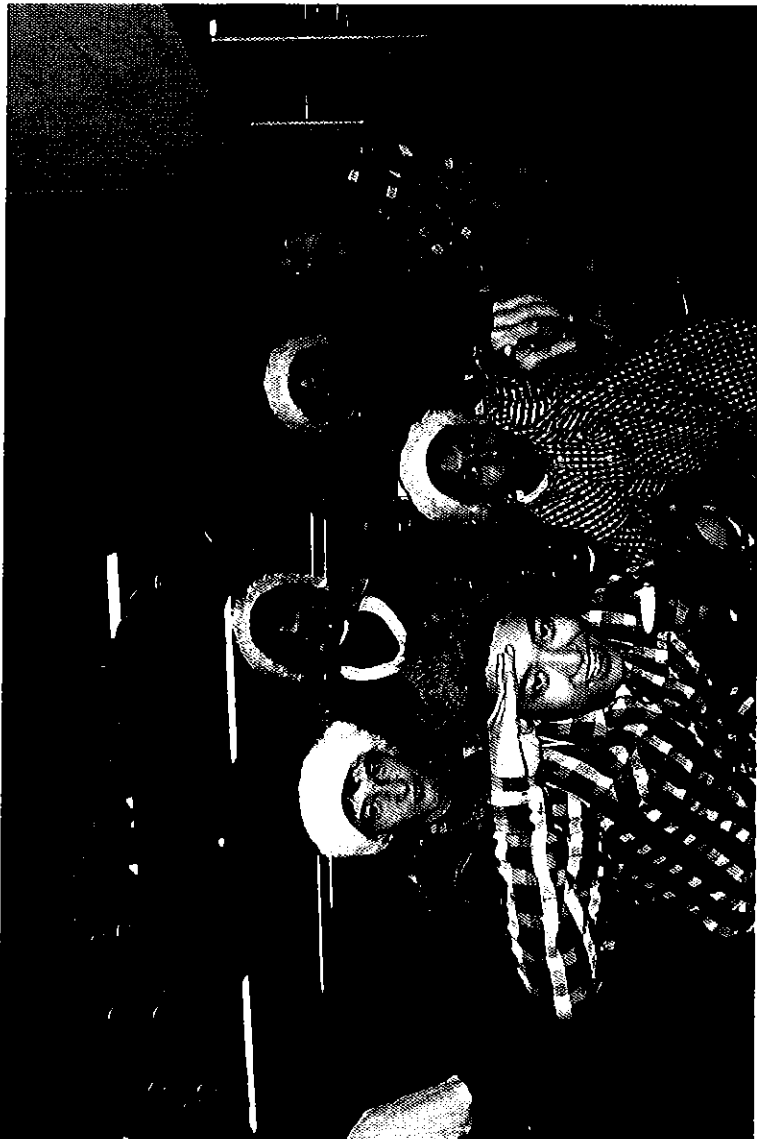
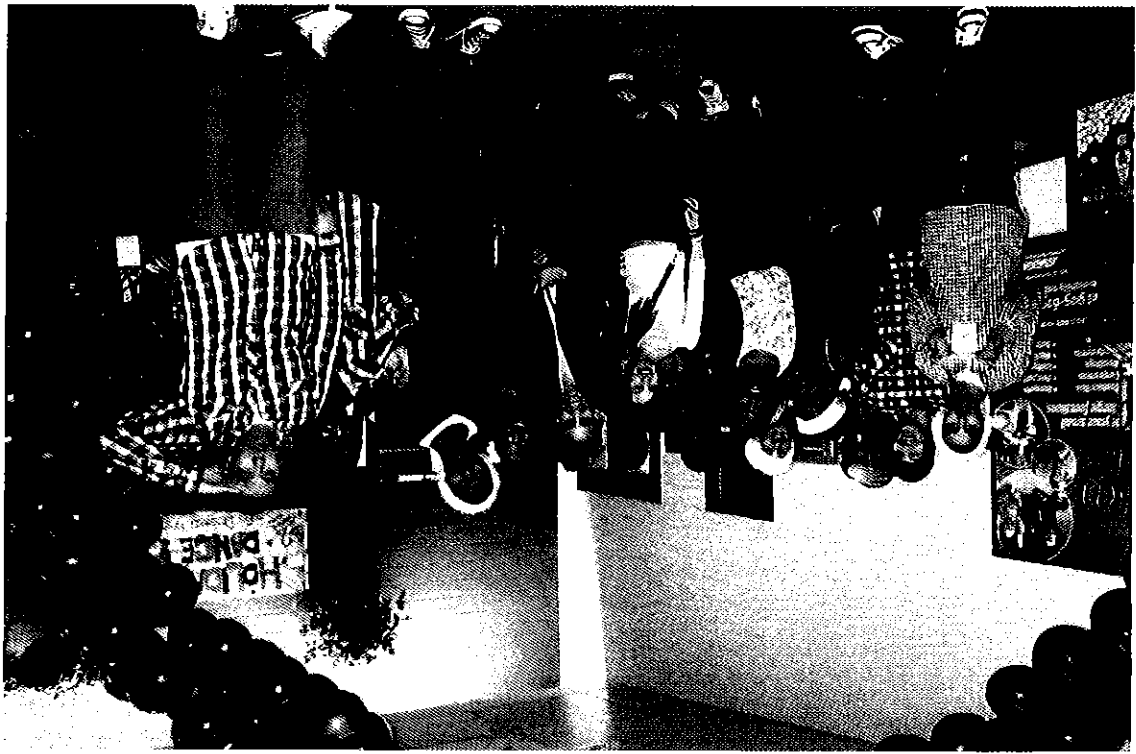


For more information
call 905-615-4750.



HOLIDAY DANCE





BCC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Date: Saturday, March 26th, 2011 **Time:** 2:00pm-6:00pm **Grades:** 7-12

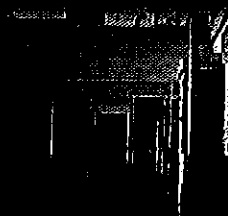
Hosted by the BCCYC

Cost: \$2.00 per player

**FREE T-Shirts, prizes, snacks,
beverages and pizza.**

**Register at the Customer Service Desk
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Wuz Up At Nexus Youth Centre

Need a job?

Get advice on resume writing, interviewing skills and find new job postings daily

FREE Computer & Internet Access:

Catch up on homework, surf the net or talk to friends online

Need a place to hang out?

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Come connect with youth in a diverse and welcoming environment.

Get the inside scoop on learning new strategies to cope with the challenges of daily life, improve social skills while building lasting relationships with peers. Learn about networking opportunities in the community and develop your strengths as a person.

Feeling stressed or is something on your mind?

We offer one to one support from our caring and friendly staff

Looking to move out with friends or on your own?

Check out our housing board: lots of information on housing options, knowing your rights as a tenant and signing leases

Need to complete your 40 hours for graduation?

Bring a friend and be a part of 1 or all of our fun and engaging workshops such as "Like Skills" and "The Art of Love and Sex". Learning something new and receive your 40 hours for High School at the same time!!

Think you have what it takes to be a leader?

Check out our youth volunteer programs where you can gain valuable skills as you strive to the top; looks great on a resume and/or for school applications

For more info call 905-566-1883 or

drop by the Youth Centre on the second floor of the Mississauga Central Library



Capture Clarkson

VOYCE Clarkson Community Centre's official Youth Group is hosting a
***FREE* Photography showcase entitled Capture Clarkson!**

**Come on out to Clarkson Community Centre to view photographs in five different categories submitted by Clarkson Youth. Many accepted photos have been sent in from award winning photographers! Don't miss out on your chance to cast your vote for the
 Community Challenge Winner!!!**

**You can also see some of the submissions online at our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/clarksoncc.**

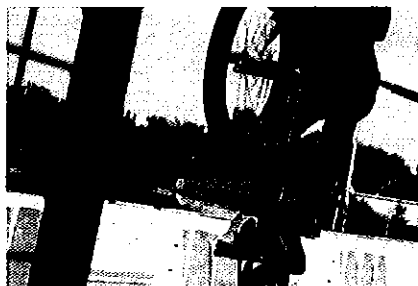
Also available for viewing are short films submitted by contestants.

What a great way to spend time with the entire family!

**When: Fri Feb 18th 5-9pm
 Sat Feb 19th 9-5pm**

When: Clarkson Community Centre

**Looking to put in a photo
 or short film? Check us
 out on Facebook or at
 the Clarkson Customer
 Service Desk!**



**For more information: www.facebook.com/clarksoncc
 Or e-mail: trystan.anderson@mississauga.ca**



Spooktacular Halloween Teen Dance @ Clarke Hall

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 2010
7:00-9:30 P.M.
GRADES 5-8
\$3.00

COSTUMES OPTIONAL!
SPOOKY SOUNDS, SCARY PRIZES,
GHASTLY GAMES, AND FREAKY
CONTESTS!

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Positive Xpressions SHOWCASE

Come check out the work our
Youth have created!

Wednesday, August 18th, 2010

4:00pm

Lobby area

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FOR TEENS AND TWENTY

**BURNHAMTHORPE
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APRIL 11-JUNE 6, 2011**

**Monday Fitness & Nutrition Program
Ages 13 Up
Apr 11-June 6 4:00-6:30 pm**

**Wednesday Nutrition Program
Ages 8-12 yrs
Apr 13-May 25 4:00-5:30pm**

- Learn about proper nutrition for growth and development
- Follow a workout program with detailed exercise demos and videos
- Explore articles on nutrition, fitness, health and goal-setting
- And, much more!



Churchill Meadows

Youth Drop In

Free!

Chill Zone Ages: 12 to 17

Wednesday and Thursday 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Youth will be able to join their peers in the program room to work on homework, listen to music, play games.

This is a supervised program.

Basketball

Saturday 12:30pm - 2:00pm Grades 5-8

Saturday 2:30pm - 4:00pm Grades 9-12

Join your friends for a drop in game of basketball.

This is a supervised program.

Space is limited. Student ID is required at Sign In.

Churchill Meadows Activity Centre
3801 Thomas Street
Mississauga
905-615-4750
www.mississauga.ca/churchillmeadows



The Recreational Society for Teens Presents...

Holiday Kick Off!

Start your Winter Holiday off right!
Come join the RST for our 1st annual
Winter Holiday Kickoff.

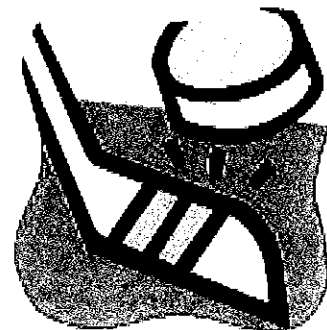
Saturday, December 18th
at Erin Meadows Community Centre from 9am-3pm!



Are you creative? Then come and build yourself a gingerbread house! There will be prizes for the most creative gingerbread house, which will be posted later that day on our FACEBOOK page. For ages 12Y- 18Y.

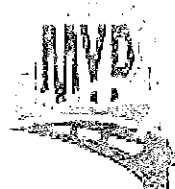
FREE

Love sports? Sign up for our 3-on-3 Ball Hockey Tournament! The winning team will EACH receive an iPod! Register at the Customer Care desk at Erin Meadows between now and December 16. For ages 12Y- 18Y.



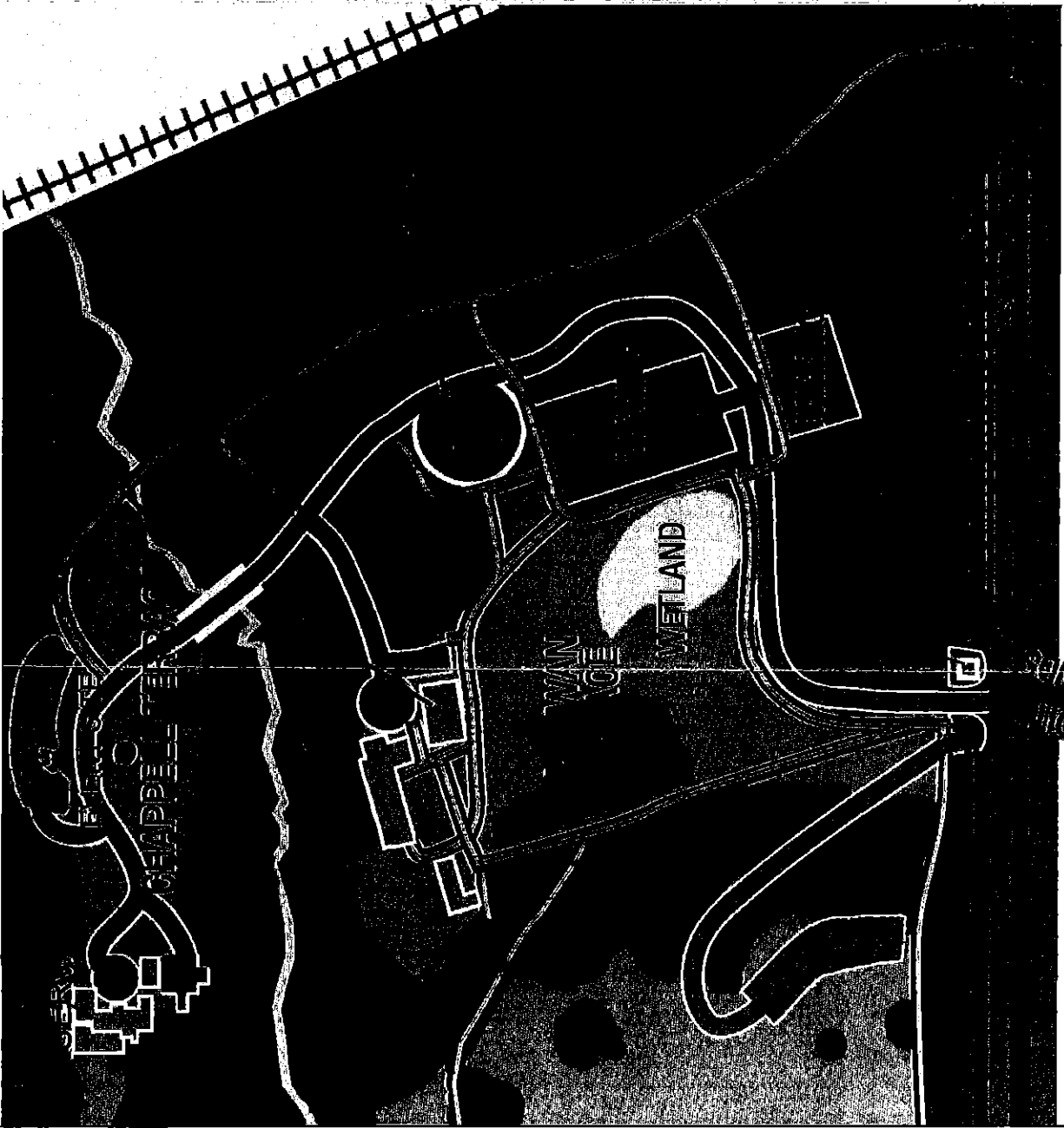
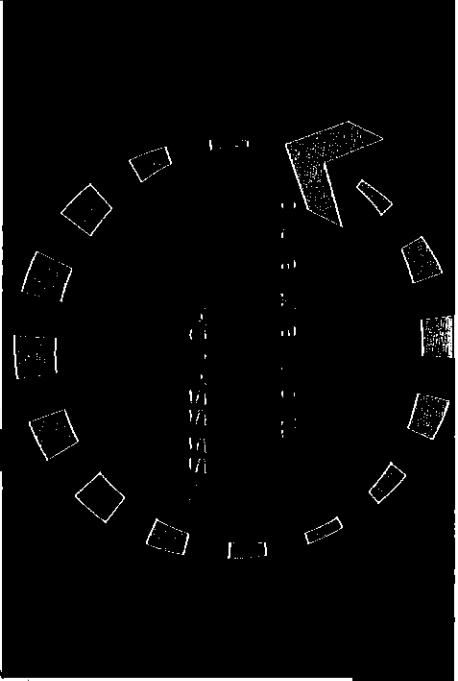
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for all!
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**Contact your local Community Centre for more details & information **

End of School Dance & Dip at Clarkson Community Centre

Thursday June 30th

is our Final School Year Dance

Dance & DJ 7-9pm

Swim & DJ 9-10:30pm

Cost: \$3.00 (one admission rate)



Admission Requirement is
Grades 5-10... please note this is
designated a Youth Only Event!

YMCA holds youth triathlon

Amy McDonald
 May 29, 2011

Ayden Duguay stood at the edge of the pool anxiously awaiting her cue to jump in. At 8 years old, Ayden was the youngest and smallest of the 100 kids taking part in today's Mississauga YMCA 2011 Youth Triathlon. "I'm a little nervous," Ayden said, "but I've been training a lot."

Ayden, a student at Rene Lamoureux school, was inspired to join the Youth Triathlon program by her mom, Anne-Marie Duguay.

"I wanted to do the triathlon because my mom was one of the coaches. Plus it's fun," she said.

Anne-Marie, an accomplished Ironman competitor, was one of 10 volunteer coaches who worked with the kids, who ranged in age from 8-15, every weekend since January.

This is the fourth year the Mississauga YMCA has run the Youth Triathlon program.

"We wanted a program that would give kids an opportunity to get active in a fun, non-competitive environment, but something that would give them a goal to work towards," said Manager of Programming Anthony Ierulli. "A triathlon is perfect for that."

The training, and the triathlon itself, is kept non-competitive and personal-best oriented. No one is timed and everyone receives a medal for finishing.

"Some of the kids come into the program thinking they'll never be able to finish," said Anthony. "But our coaches are so good at making everyone feel welcome that the kids look forward to coming. They make friends and have a great time. In the end, everybody finishes. It's very inspirational to see."

The kids completed a 150-metre swim in the pool, then pulled shorts over swim suits and ran outside to do a nine-kilometre bicycle ride around closed off streets in the neighbourhood, and finished up with a two-kilometre run.

The non-competitive nature of the event didn't stop Conrad Keddie, 12, a Grade 7 student at Hillcrest Middle School, and his brother Devon, 9, in Grade 3 at Springfield Public, from developing their own friendly rivalry.

"My goal was to catch up to Devon and pass him," said Conrad, despite the fact that Devon had a 20-minute head start with the first wave of kids, while Conrad went out with the third wave. He crossed the finish line just a few minutes after Devon.

"I'm glad I almost did it," he said.

Ayden Duguay finished the event as she began it, with a big smile.

"The hardest part was the bike ride, but I kept going because everybody was cheering me on. That was the best part," she said.



Onward to the finish. Mihir Kakkar, Anish Chhabra and Saad Shahid cheer on their fellow teammate during the YMCA Youth Triathlon Sunday morning held at YMCA Square One. *Photo by Claudio Cugliari*

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


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Block party a slam dunk

Ballers got their game on today (Aug. 27) at The Dam youth drop-in centre community block party. The event, held at Meadowvale Community Centre, featured a three-on-three basketball tournament that invited youths aged 12-16 and 17-24 to show off their skills. The event also featured a slam dunk contest, a community barbecue and guest speaker Rowan Barrett, former captain of Canada's senior men's team. Organizers say the block party aims to support local youth by bringing the community together. For more information, visit www.thedam.org. jle@mississauga.net



Party time. The Dam, a youth drop-in centre in Meadowvale, hosted a 3-on-3 basketball tournament and block party outside the Meadowvale Community Centre on Saturday. Action in the junior end. *Staff photo by Rob Beintema*

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The Loving Kindness Ministry, a group within the Malton Church of God, presented scholarships to three high school students

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who are moving on to their first year at a post-secondary institution.

Paddlers aid charity

Paddle boats were out in full force on the Credit River today for the annual Paddle for the People.

They ran for Guatemala

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The Dam 3-on-3 Basketball & Block Party Saturday, August 27

THERE WILL BE TWO DIVISIONS:

DIVISION A:

AGES 17-24 (AUG 28, 1994 TO AUG 27, 1986)

DIVISION B:

AGES 12-16 (AUG 28, 1995 TO AUG 27, 1999)

Registration 10-10:45am

Tournament: 11am

Location: Meadowvale Community Centre
6655 Glen Erin Dr

Music provided by: Supreme DJs

Guest Speaker: Rowan Barrett (former Captain of Canada's Sr. Men's National Team and 13 year pro)

SLAM DUNK COMPETITION

FREE FOOD, PRIZES & MUSIC

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August 27, 2011

Location: Meadowvale Community Centre (outdoor basketball court)



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5th Annual 3on3 Basketball Tournament & Block Party

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A Collaborative of the Residents and Community Agencies at Acorn Place in Mississauga

Summerfest

Saturday, August 6th, 2011

Children 16 & younger must have a parent with them to volunteer.

1pm - 5pm

Special performances.

Join us for: fun, food & games!

Games

Inflatables Dunk Tank

Music

Face Painting Henna

Food:

BBQ

Snow Cones

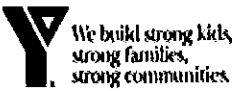
Cotton Candy

Popcorn



For more information please contact Debbie at: 905-603-8731

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Boys and Girls Clubs of Peel Region



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Ontario Super-bowl

An extreme, all-night, adrenaline-pumping, non-stop student event for students in grades 7-12! Students talk this one up! Hundreds attend each year! Christ is preached in a clear Gospel message and an invitation is extended.

Exciting Mississauga St. Michael's Majors vs. Peterborough Petes hockey game... host of the 2011 Mastercard Memorial Cup and Ontario Hockey League Championship Series Finalists!

"Controlled and chaotic" prize rally!

Gospel Message – immediately following the game. Your teens and leaders will hear a clear, powerful gospel message and have the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Lots of **pizza and pop** (served following rally).

Plenty of **gymnasium activities** like volleyball, dodge ball, basketball.

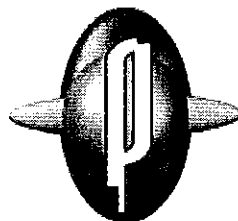
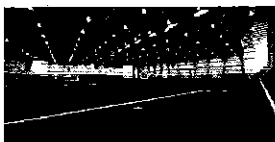
Fieldhouse activities (on the turf)... **indoor soccer, football and ultimate frisbee!**

Ice skating!

Back by popular demand... **The Amazing Race scavenger hunt!** Both members of the winning two-person team **will be awarded an iPod Touch!**

Three full hours of non-stop play on all **video and arcade games**, batting cages and more at **Playdium Mississauga!**

NEW THIS YEAR: MORE ELBOW ROOM! This year the attendance will split into two groups from midnight on... one group will go to Playdium and then return to Hershey Centre later while the other group starts at Hershey Centre and heads to Playdium at the 3AM facility switch time.



PLAYDIUM.

STAY IN TOUCH

If you would like to stay in touch with what's happening at Word of Life Fellowship Canada, please fill in the form below.

First Name

Last Name

Email

When?

Friday, November 4, 2011

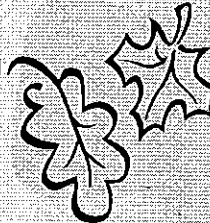
Registration begins at 6:30pm; game begins at 7:30pm.

Where?

Hershey Centre
5500 Rose Cherry Pl., Mississauga

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM INVITES YOU TO A

FALL COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



There's something for everyone!

Come out and enjoy a wonderful, hot buffet breakfast with the entire community. Menu items include:

- Bagels w/ cream cheese, jam, or butter
- Croissants
- Scrambled Eggs
- Breakfast Sausages
- Pancakes w/ syrup
- Pepperpot and Bread
- Salt fish and Bake
- Parathas
- Pumpkin

Cost:

\$10.00 (Large Plate)

\$5.00 (Small Plate)

Date and Time:

Sunday Oct. 16, 2011,

9AM—12PM

Location:

Sayed Khadija Centre

7150 Edwards Blvd.

Mississauga, ON

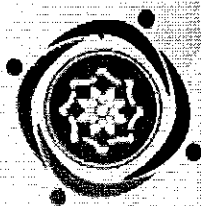
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FREE refills on coffee and juices included!

All proceeds will be going towards a Faith of Life Network sponsored hospital room at William Osler Health Centre.

For more information, please contact Br. Ansar Khan @ 416-806-0950 or by email at ansar-a-khan@hotmail.com





Sayeda Khadija Centre



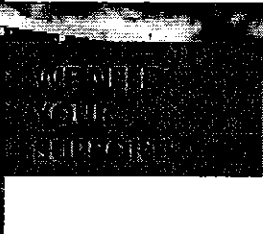
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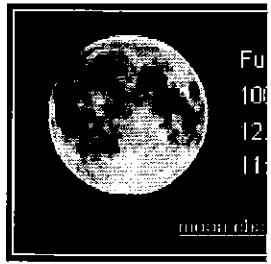


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Donate Online!

MOON PHASE



A place to pray, learn and play!

As of early August 2009, the Sayeda Khadija Centre has become the official home of Faith of Life Network, an organization founded by Imam Hamid Slimi in 2005 to promote the positive value of Islam for Muslims and non-Muslims alike in Canada and around the world, by building communities through shared religious observance, quality educational programs, mutual support and networking, and service to humanity.

Beside being the national headquarters of Faith of Life Network, the centre will be offering the following services:

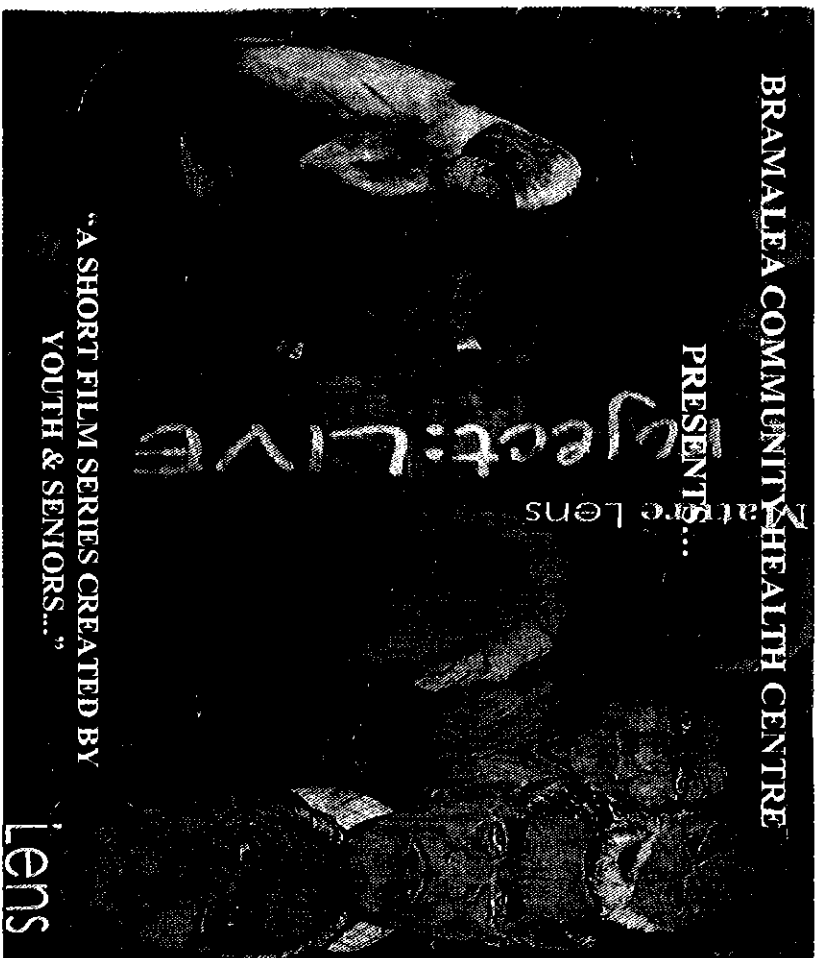
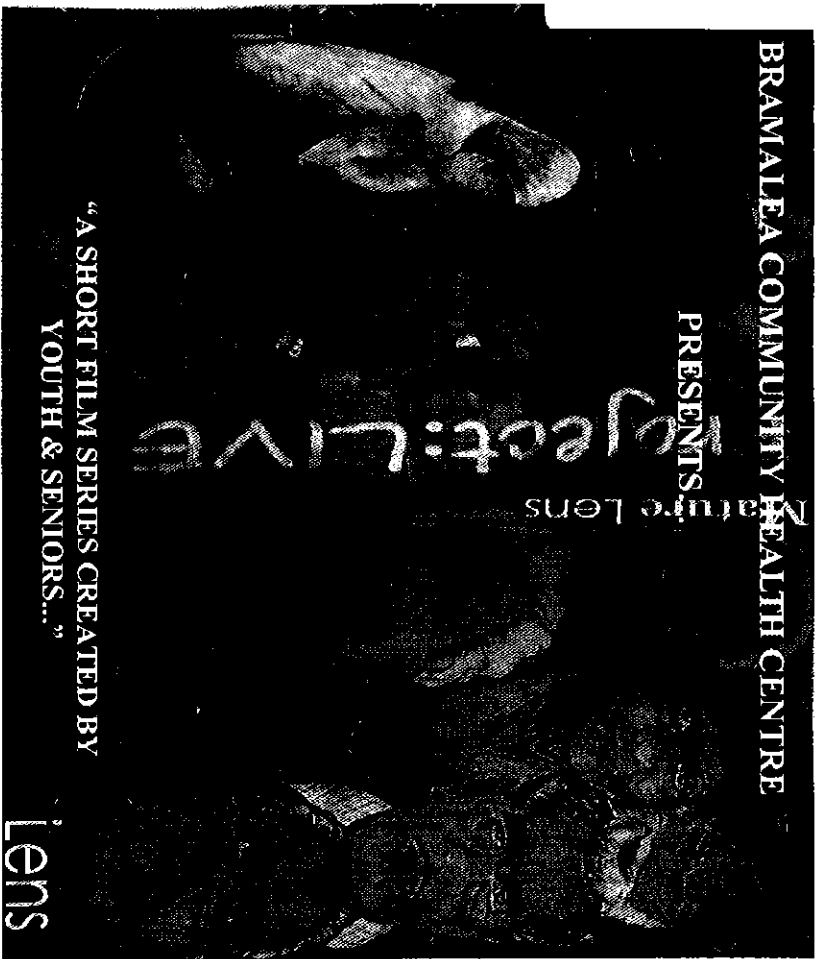
- Friday congregational prayers (Jumu'ah)
- Ramadan Taraweeh Prayers
- Ramadan Iftar Dinners
- Classes and Study Circles (Arabic & Islamic Studies)
- Salat Prayers
- The office of the Imam
- Children & Adult classes - Youth Leadership Program - Youth Orientation



NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to the Sayeda Khadija Centre newsletter

Prayer	Time	lq
Fajr	6:11	AM
Sunrise	7:27	AM
Dhuhr	1:06	PM
Asr	4:57	PM
Maghrib	6:43	PM



View the stories shared by **YOUTH** of violence, gender identity, alcohol abuse & eating disorders. View the stories of vibrant **SENIORS**; their triumphs, pitfalls and life journey.

FREE SCREENING ▶ Wednesday, June 8th, 2011 **TIME** ▶ 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM **LOCATION** ▶ Square One Older Adult Centre **ADDRESS** ▶ 100 City Centre Dr. Mississauga (*Through the GOODLIFE FITNESS Doors*)

Refreshments & Giveaways

RSVP ▶ tennie@bramaleachc.ca ▶ (905) 451-8090 ext.222

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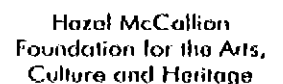
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The Mississauga Arts Council Presents

MEDIA ARTS MASH-UP

Thursday November 24
7pm-9pm

Join us at the Art Gallery of Mississauga,
located at 300 City Centre Drive. Admission is free!



The Mississauga Arts Council Presents

OPEN MIC NIGHT

November 25 @ 7pm

Rehearsal Pro

2359 Royal Windsor Drive

Unit #19

Free Admission

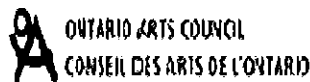
To sign up call: 905-615-4278

Stay warm by lighting up
the stage!

Rehearsal



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MY WORLD ARTS FESTIVAL

- 2:00pm-2:30pm**
Welcome & Registration
- 2:30pm-5:00pm**
Art Workshops
- 5:00pm-5:30pm**
Snack Break
- 5:30pm-7:00pm**
Open Mic Showcase

FREE ARTS

Hip-Hop Workshop

Join this amazing dance workshop with **Marcel D'Costa** from **Ground iLLusions**. Here you will learn the fundamentals of dance to create a routine to share with your friends.

Circuit Bending Workshop

In this workshop, you will get to play with the behind the scenes aspects of film. Working with filmmaker **Marco Veltri** and music producer **Vikas Kohli** from **Fat Lab Studios**, you will get to experiment with different instruments and sounds to make your very own movie soundtrack.

Make your Mark Mural Workshop

Here, participants will experiment working with different materials to create a collective visual art banner that will be showcased throughout the event.

Making it Big Theatre Workshop

Working with the **WMF Theatre Team**, you will experience the funs and exciting world of performance art through miming. This is one workshop not to miss!

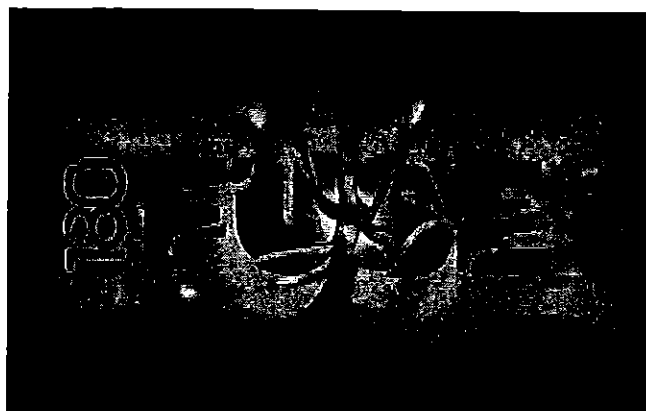
Open Mic Showcase

Hosted by **Joel Martin** (former Canadian Idol contestant)

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**CELEBRATING ARTS + CULTURE
FROM COAST TO COAST TO COAST**

180 Fuse



**Our Next 180 Fuse Event:
180 TREASURE HUNT!
Saturday October 22nd, 2011
Doors open at 6:30pm**

Pick up at 9:00pm

We've got prizes, a live band, Minute to Win It challenges and a first ever 180 Treasure Hunt! This is going to be our GREATEST 180 Fuse event yet!

Previous Posts about 180 Fuse...

Successful Launch!

After three successful events, 180 Fuse is well underway!

Dolphin Middle School came alive Saturday, February 26th with 65 energetic junior hi students enjoying active games in the gym, live music, card games and junk food in

the Fuse Cafe, team discussions about life choices and exciting prizes. The 20 Global 180 staff also had an amazing time, playing with students and look forward to building relational connections with youth attending 180 Fuse.

Then four weeks later on March 30th, once again nearly 70 middle school students excitedly entered the building ready to participate in "Minute to Win It" competitions, basketball, hanging out in the cafe and a giant indoor snowball fight in the gym.

The April 30th theme was "The Amazing Race" with the four teams of youth "travelling" around the school to various countries, completing challenges and collecting their next clues.

Comments:

From students:

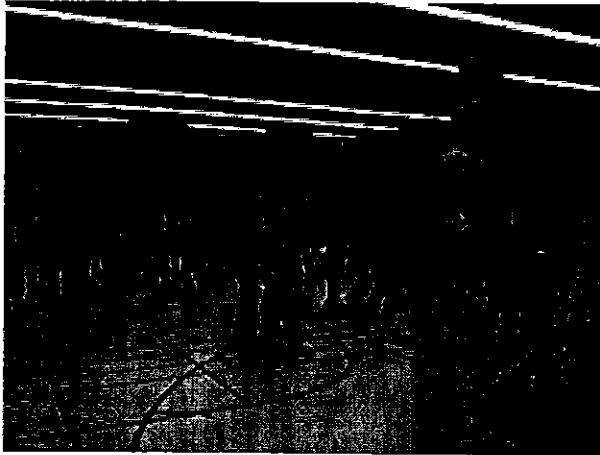
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- *"So much fun yesterday. INDOOR SNOWBALL FIGHT. HOUSE ONE WON"*
- *"...honestly I love the 180 fuse"*

From a parent...

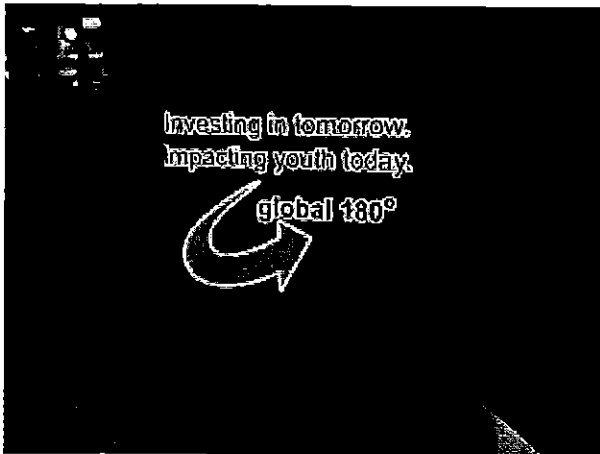
- *"...I love this program. My son has gone both weeks and loved every minute of it. 180 Fuse is doing a great thing and I really do hope that it continues."*

It has been a blast to see so many youth coming out to connect with each other and our volunteer team leaders.

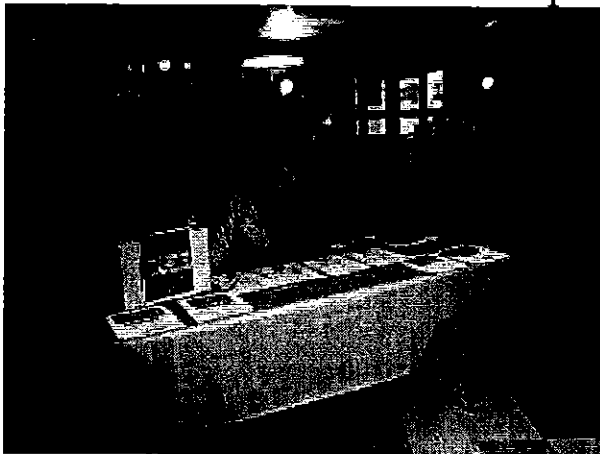
Though these school events will not return until Fall 2011, 180 Fuse still continues this summer with outdoor summer events. Stay tuned for further information that tells you when and where these will be held.



Four-corner beach ball volleyball



180 Fuse ... a program of Global 180



Registration and Fuse Cafe

Take a walk through the Fuse 180 Cafe here...

A Brief History of 180 Fuse

Since its inception in 2001, Global 180 has desired to have a Canadian initiative for youth here in our home. After participating in numerous projects overseas and continuing still today, Global 180 has decided to extend its reach and begin a project here in Canada. Having been the home for most of the board members of Global 180, Mississauga Ontario seemed to be the logical place to launch a Canadian project for this youth organization.

In June 2010 research began as Eldon Wright (Director of Global 180) and Krysten Lees (Director of 180:Canada) began meeting with community leaders, city councilors, principals, etc., to determine the best way to meet the needs of youth in the city. Throughout the period of researching it was found that there was a significant gap in social programming for middle school students (grades 6-8). Too many middle school students spend weekend time finding ways to connect with and socialize with friends. Unfortunately, for many, this is practiced at the shopping mall or sitting at home playing video games or social networking on the internet. Global 180 would like to provide a place where students can gather together and socialize with other students and responsible adults, and learn valuable traits such as responsibility, integrity, honesty, etc. all in a stimulating environment.

Global 180's desire is to assist the students of Mississauga as we provide them with a safe, familiar venue to gather on a Saturday evening. Our project is called 180 Fuse, and we believe that *it's time to turn things around!* It's time to provide a program for our middle school students that they can get excited about!

180 Fuse is what we call our outreach initiative for middle school students in local Canadian communities. The principal of Dolphin Senior Public, Mrs. Spence, commented in a letter of endorsement about 180 Fuse:

"Three events were held in February thru April 2011 with a tremendous response from the 70+ students who excitedly attended 180 Fuse as well as warm support from my School Council, staff and parents at Dolphin.

I am pleased to endorse the work of Global 180 and its directors and staff. They have an obvious passion and concern for helping adolescents through this most tumultuous and critical stage of life. I personally found them a pleasure to work with and they demonstrated flexibility in working through the details of planning and promoting this program in my school community. I am



Youth Connect on Friday

Iain Colpitts

Mississauga's Recreation and Parks department, along with the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council and the Mississauga Youth Action Team, will host Youth Connect 2011 on Friday night at Celebration Square. The festival is the first such event to provide youngsters with the opportunity to learn more about youth support services and develop community relationships in an interactive environment. Displays and booths will provide information on youth agencies and programs available and the event will also feature local youth artists, musicians and skateboard demonstrations. A large mural will be painted between 5-7 p.m. and a concert featuring Canadian hip-hop group SHAD, Mississauga dance crew GroundIllusionz and Emcee Testament will take place from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

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36 agency booths

Mississauga

YOUTH CONNECT

CELEBRATION SQUARE

JULY 29th

5PM-9PM





Future Star finalists set

Chad Hackl
May 21, 2011

The field is set for the finals of the eighth annual Mississauga Future Star contest. Ten contestants will vie for the title during the Mississauga Waterfront Festival on June 19 at Port Credit Memorial Park.

Last night, 20 aspiring musicians hit the stage at Metalworks Institute of Sound and Music Production trying to make the semi-final cuts and come one step closer to the \$2000 cash prize awarded to the winner.

The Future Star winner will also have a showcase opportunity at Canadian Music Week 2012 in Toronto, slated for March 7-11.

Last year, 16-year-old Candace Santos was crowned champion.

Mississauga Future Star is presented annually by the Mississauga Arts Council (MAC), the Mississauga Waterfront Festival and Metalworks Institute of Sound and Music Production.



Star in the making. Solange Kathalay competes in the semi final of the Future Star singing competition Friday evening held at Metalworks Institute. *Photo By Claudio Cugliari*

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Carassauga Songwriting Contest

Join in the fun and excitement of discovering Carassauga's new talent!

Talented young adults, between 15 and 25 years of age, with a passion to sing, will be provided with the opportunity to exhibit their talents and compete for an exciting prize! An original song produced and recorded at MIDI-TECH Studio by international platinum record producer Hernani Raposo. Plus, the winner will have a chance to showcase at the 2011 - 2012 Carassauga main stage during the Festival and have appearances at Carassauga events throughout the year.

Contestants will be judged by a 3 person judging system, on presentation, pitch, diction, voice control, and stage presence. The judges will be well known music industry professionals.

For more information:

Contest Finals will be held at:
Carassauga Festival, Hershey Sports Centre, Outdoor Stage
Saturday June 4th, 2011, 8:00 pm

More information, copies of rules & regulations may be obtained from:
ednagraposo@rogers.com • 905-567-9935

Contest closes May 13th