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#### Eight of Toronto's beaches will open on Saturday

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Eight of Toronto's 11 swimming beaches will be officially open this weekend. Lifeguards will be in place at all but three beaches on Saturday. The remaining three will have lifeguards in place by June 15.

Toronto boasts some of the best swimming beaches around. Eight of Toronto's 11 swimming beaches have earned Blue Flags over the past few years, making them a great choice for family fun and cooling down during the hot summer.

The City is required to apply for Blue Flag status annually and accreditation is still pending for 2013.

#### Toronto's beaches are:

- Bluffer's Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend
- Centre Island Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend
- Cherry Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend
- Gibraltar Point Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards will be in place by June 15
- Hanlan's Point Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguard this weekend
- Kew-Balmy Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend
- Marie Curtis Park Beach lifeguards will be in place by June 15
- Rouge Beach lifeguards will be in place by June 15
- Sunnyside Beach lifeguards in place this weekend
- Ward's Island Beach (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend
- Woodbine Beaches (Blue Flag 2012) lifeguards in place this weekend

The City's Parks, Forestry and Recreation division operates and maintains all recreation-related beach facilities and amenities. This service includes regular beach grooming and care of washrooms and change rooms. Toronto Police Marine Unit provides lifeguard services and takes daily water samples on behalf of Toronto Water and Toronto Public Health.

Toronto tests beach water quality daily at its 11 swimming beaches from June through to Labour Day. These samples are analyzed, using the most stringent testing standards in the world, to ensure Toronto's beaches meet the highest water quality standards for swimming. If water tests show E. coli levels exceed the provincial guidelines of 100 E. coli per 100 ml of water, Toronto Public Health warns against swimming at the affected beach. Toronto's Blue Flag beaches met the criteria for swimming, on average, 96 per cent of the time last summer.

Daily water quality postings are available on the Beaches Hotline (416-392-7161), the web or via an iPhone App available at http://www.toronto.ca/beach.

#### **Event Cancelation**

Councillor Grimes grand re-opening for Marie Cutis Park, previously scheduled for Saturday, June 8, 2013, has been postponed. A new date will be distributed in the coming weeks.

#### **Becel Heart & Stroke Ride For Heart**

The Gardiner Expressway will be closed from Carlaw Avenue to the Humber Bridge and the Don Valley Parkway will be closed from Highway 401 to the Gardiner Expressway on Sunday, June 2 from 2 a.m. to 2 p.m. to accommodate the Ride for Heart event.

An alternative route to use instead of the Gardiner Expressway would be Lake Shore Blvd. Alternative routes to use instead of the DVP would be Bayview Avenue, Leslie Street or Don Mills Road.

#### **Volunteers Wanted for Toronto International Film Festival**

Tiff is looking for volunteers to be part of the 38<sup>th</sup> annual Toronto International Film Festival running from September 5 to 15, 2013. Selected volunteers will provide assistance and support on a variety of tasks, welcoming thousands of Festival-goers from around the world that come to Toronto to celebrate the best in film. Over 2,200 volunteers helped out during the 2012 festival.

Interested participants can apply online at tiff.net/volunteer. Applicants must be at least 18 years old.

#### **Mimico Linear Park Phase 2 Grand Opening**

Join Waterfront Toronto, Toronto and Region Conservation and Councillor Grimes as we celebrate the official opening of the second and final phase of Mimico Waterfront Park in Etobicoke.

The second phase of the park provides an additional 500 metres of waterfront trail that builds on the existing phase one, which opened to acclaim in 2008.

Mimico Waterfront Park connects people to the lake in an area that historically lacked public access to the waterfront. The new park provides an east/west connection along the Etobicoke waterfront, establishing a strong link between existing and emerging waterfront communities and public spaces.

#### **Event Details**

Date: Friday, June 7, 2013 Time: 10am to 11am

Location: Mimico Waterfront Park at the base of Superior Avenue, south of Lake Shore Boulevard West

#### **Updated Tall Building Guidelines**

The updated Tall Building Design Guidelines that City Council recently adopted integrate and build upon previous City of Toronto tall building guidelines. The updated guidelines also establish a unified set of performance measures for the evaluation of tall building development applications city-wide.

"The updated Tall Building Design Guidelines provide greater clarity and certainty to some of the more common elements of tall building construction," said Jennifer Keesmaat, Toronto's Chief Planner. "The guidelines establish clear measurable objectives to help ensure tall buildings fit within their context, minimize their local impacts, and contribute to a safe and vibrant pedestrian realm."

Updates to the city-wide Tall Building Design Guidelines generally include:

• clear language, layout and graphic illustrations

- strengthened connections to Official Plan policy, and
- emphasis on design excellence, heritage conservation and sustainable design.

Additionally, the guidelines now include specific measures to ensure that, during the planning and design of tall buildings, greater consideration is given to contextual fit, quality of life, cumulative effects of tall buildings, sunlight/shadow impacts, and the pedestrian realm.

Toronto is experiencing an intense growth of tall buildings. The updated Tall Building Guidelines represent the most current best practice approach to guiding this form of development. The guidelines harness the vitality and energy of tall buildings, ensure they perform to the highest architectural design standards, protect existing neighbourhoods and enhance Toronto's livability.

City Council's adoption of the Tall Building Design Guidelines is an important validation of the document as an essential implementation tool of the Official Plan. The guidelines will be used by City Planning staff in the evaluation of all new and current tall building development applications throughout the city.

The updated city-wide Tall Buildings Design Guidelines are available online at

http://www.toronto.ca/planning/tallbuildingdesign.htm.

#### Second round of public consultation with Toronto condominium residents

The City of Toronto is holding a second round of public consultation with condominium occupants. Over the next week, residents can attend an in-person consultation to discuss ideas to address issues and situations that arise from living in a condo.

The first round of consultations, held in February, sought to identify issues experienced by those who live in condos. This second round seeks to develop ideas to address some of the issues identified, such as local parks and open space, facilities for pets, parking and infrastructure.

The consultations intend to engage condominium residents, condominium boards, businesses located in condominium buildings, and property managers. These stakeholders, as well as other members of the public, are invited to attend one of the following meetings. All meetings are from 7 to 9 p.m.

**North York:** Thursday, May 30, Earl Haig Secondary School, 100 Princess Ave. (in the Yonge Street/Sheppard Avenue area)

**Scarborough:** Monday, June 3, Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr. (at Ellesmere Road and McCowan Road) **Etobicoke:** Tuesday, June 4, All Saints Kingsway Anglican Church, 2850 Bloor St. W. (at Prince Edward Drive)

Downtown: Wednesday, June 5, Room 308/309 Metro Hall, 55 John St. (at King Street West)

Participants will be able to learn more about the condo study being conducted by the City, as well as have opportunities to share their thoughts. Each of the above meetings will include an overview presentation from the project team to share ideas about issues raised during phase one of the consultation, as well as facilitated discussions to seek input.

An online survey will follow these consultations in June. The survey will be available at <a href="http://www.toronto.ca/planning/condo\_consultation.htm">http://www.toronto.ca/planning/condo\_consultation.htm</a>.

#### New Overhead signs erected on Gardiner Expressway and Lake Shore Boulevard

The City of Toronto has installed additional overhead changeable message signs on city roads to help keep traffic moving and improve driver safety.

Six new signs have been installed on Lake Shore Boulevard and the Gardiner Expressway. The new signs are being tested now and will be activated in June. This is one part of the city's more comprehensive strategy on managing congestion.

The signs are part of the City's Traffic Management Centre's Intelligent Transportation System, known as RESCU. The system is made up of 73 traffic cameras, 852 vehicle detector stations, 12 overhead message signs and 18 portable message signs. RESCU detects disruptions to traffic flow along the Don Valley Parkway, Gardiner Expressway, Lake Shore Boulevard and Allen Road.

The goal of the RESCU system is to reduce the number of collisions through early detection of roadway incidents and to improve the movement of people and goods on our roads.

When the flow of traffic is disrupted on a roadway, RESCU operators notify emergency services and change messages on the overhead signs to provide information to drivers.

In addition to providing timely information on traffic incidents, the signs also update motorists on traffic congestion and planned closures, enabling motorists to make decisions to avoid delays

#### This Month at the Assembly Hall

## Six Degrees of Freedom Art Show: presented by Six Degrees of Freedom Continuing until June 20

This Six Degrees of Freedom exhibition will present a group of artists (Gail Backus, Biljana Baker, Gary Duncan, Doug Mays, Doreen Renner and Bill Schwarz) with very diverse backgrounds from Northern and Southern Ontario. Love of the natural environment, a desire for broadened horizons and joy in the limitless possibilities of creating with paint has brought them together to celebrate the freedom of expression. They have produced exciting and dramatic works including watercolour on paper, and acrylic or oil on stretched canvas, examples of which can be seen at sixdegreesoffreedom.ca. Gallery hours: Mon - Fri: 12 - 5 pm & Sat: 10 am - 1 pm. For more information, please call 416-338-7255.

## Music in Springtime: presented by The Music Studio June 8 at 1 pm, 3 pm & 5 pm & June 9 at 11 am, 1:30 pm & 4 pm

Join students of The Music Studio as they present solo and group performances. Each recital offers a variety of musical styles. Admission is free and all are welcome! For more information, please call 416-234-9268 or e-mail lessons@themusicstudio.ca

# Forgotten Voices Front of House Workshop: presented by Lakeshore Arts & Sirius Theatrical Company In Partnership with the Assembly Hall

#### June 10 at 7 pm

Lakeshore Arts & Sirius Theatrical Company present a NEW series of Free Workshops open to all. This is part of "Forgotten Voices, Beyond the War of 1812", a community theatre project that will result in 8 outdoor performances in South Etobicoke in July. FREE and open to all ages & experience. For more information or to register, please call 416-876-9607 or e-mail 1812theatre@lakeshorearts.ca.

## Ruckus in T.O. 2K13: presented by South Etobicoke Youth Assembly June 22 at 7 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm)

Ruckus in T.O. – Experience the energy and vitality of what Toronto is all about through the youth LENS. Seya's talent, fashion, dance and spoken word showcase will leave you proud to live in the GTA. Admission is \$5 per person. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 416-252-6471 ext. 308.

# The Gatehouse 15th Anniversary Celebration: presented by The Gatehouse June 25, Reception at 5:30 pm & Video at 6 pm

Join us for a night of film as we premiere our documentary "Lifting Silence". This event is free, but you must RSVP to donnique@thegatehouse.org. For more information, please call 416-255-5900 x221 or visit thegatehouse.org.

#### **Happening Now at Lakeshore Arts**

For a full listing of ongoing and upcoming events at Lakeshore arts, please visit their website at http://www.lakeshorearts.ca/

#### This Month at Franklin Horner Community Centre

Alderwood Community Showcase - Saturday June 15th 12:00 - 4:00 pm

Featuring free demonstrations, displays, activities, performances and cuisine by members of the Alderwood community.

Lunch and Learn Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup> 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Strawberry Social - Thursday June 27th 12:00-2:00 pm

Enjoy tea sandwiches and strawberry shortcake. Guests are encouraged to wear pink or red.

#### **Local Events**

#### May 31st to June 2nd, 2013

#### **Sunnyside Beach Juried Art Show**

The sixth annual Sunnyside Beach Juried Art Show & Sale returns to the historic Sunnyside Pavilion from May 31 - June 2, 2013. Join us as we bring together over 70 emerging and established painters, sculptors, illustrators, photographers and installation artists. We are currently welcoming applications from all artists: juried art show applicants, as well as performing artists and those with art installation ideas. Application deadline: March 31, 2013 by 11:59 pm. More information online at <a href="http://www.artinitiatives.ca/sunnyside/home.html">http://www.artinitiatives.ca/sunnyside/home.html</a>

#### Saturday, June 1, 2013

#### **Skate the Shore**

Registration at 8 a.m. (\$5 fee) Start at 9 a.m. Pancake Breakfast at 11 a.m. free for registrants.

Hosted by the Mimico by the Lake BIA

Dust off your rollerblades and skate the shore from Amos Waites Park to Sir Casimir Gzowski Park just west of Sunnyside.

Casual skate - Family event - Demo-racing slalom, and freestyle - Environmntally friendly sport - Low carbon foot print - Free giveaways – Prizes - First aid onsite - Vendors

#### Mimico Children's Choir – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring concert

Mimico Childrens Choir presents our 6th Annual Spring Concert

Songs Bright and Beautiful

featuring a variety of folk, classical, sacred and popular songs

plus favourites from Oliver!

Saturday, June 1st, 2013 11:00am

Mimico Baptist Church, 80 Hillside Ave.

Mary Bella and Jennifer Robinson, directors

Free will offering. Join us for refreshments following the concert in the Church Hall.

More info: mimicochildrenschoir@gmail.com | MimicoChildrensChoir.com

#### **2013 Humber Bay Shores Farmers Market**

Drop by Humber Bay Park West every Saturday morning starting June  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ . The farmers market will run weekly though out the summer.

#### **Lakeshore Lions Club Yard Sale**

The Lakeshore Lions Club are holding a YARD SALE on June 1, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. across from the

MasterCard Centre on Kipling Avenue (above Lakeshore Blvd. W.)

Our goal is to sell used items to raise money for our ongoing volunteer and charity work in the Etobicoke Lakeshore. Everyone is welcome and please "Help us help others." Buy generously!

#### **David Hornell School Fun Fair**

10 – 1 p.m. at David Hornell School, 32 Victoria St.

Come out for arts, crafts, food and fun including bouncy castles, face painting and a play by the Sirius Theatrical Company

#### **Beginner Tai Chi**

RENOVATE YOUR MIND AND BODY. Learn the health benefits of Taoist Tai Chi at its Etobicoke Location, 35 Chauncey Ave., west off Islington and south of Bloor. Beginner class and open house will be held on Sat. June 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 am to noon. 416-236-0720 www.taoist.org

#### Horner Seniors Centre Annual Garage Sale and Barbeque

Sat June 1 2013 9-1pm annual Garage Sale and BBQ. Come find a treasure or just stay for lunch. 320 Horner Ave. Horner Ave. Senior Centre.

Penny call for info (416)394-6001

#### New Toronto Lawn Bowling Club - Garage Sale and Bake Sale

When - Saturday, June 1st - 8:00 a.m.

Where: New Toronto Lawn Bowling Club - 153 Lakeshore Drive (foot of 9th St.)

#### St. Theresa BBQ - Yard Sale - Fun Day

9am -1pm in the school yard / school gym 110 Tenth St Toronto, ON M8V 3G1 rain or shine.

Toronto Raptor will be making an early appearance

#### Saturday June 8, 2013

#### **Royal York United Church Garage Sale**

GIGANTIC GARAGE SALE – Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to noon at Royal York Road United Church, 851 Royal York Road, about 3 blocks south of Bloor.

Bring the family to find bargains galore – perennial plants, household items, china, linens, books, toys, stuffed animals, games, collectables, small appliances, sporting goods, tools, craft supplies, seasonal decorations and much more.

#### **Tuesday, June 11, 2013**

#### Social Planning Toronto Community Forum: Triple Threat to Equity: Changing Priorities for Toronto Schools

The forum will be held at LAMP Community Health Centre (185 Fifth Street) on Tuesday, June 11th from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Please register for this event by contacting Deb Quiggin, Social Planning Toronto 416-351-0095 ext.261 or dquiggin@socialplanningtoronto.org ~ If you would like more information about our Education Campaign "Triple Threat to Equity: Changing Priorities for Toronto Schools" see the Social Planning Toronto website www.socialplanningtoronto.org see you on the 11th!"

#### Saturday, June 15, 2013

#### The Big Bands Are Back: The Kings Of The Clarinet

Old Mill Toronto

Showtime: 8pm, doors open at 6pm Tickets: \$20, full menu available

The award-winning Toronto All-Star Big Band will get you in the mood for this swinging big band show! Featuring the many classics of clarinetists Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman. Join us for dinner and a great evening of entertainment.

#### **Tuesday, June 18, 2013**

#### Party In the Park 2013

Save the date! The annual Mimico Celebration, Party in the Park, has been set for the evening of June 18<sup>th</sup> in the John English School Yard. Stay tuned for more updates as the date approaches.

#### Friday June 21

#### **LAKESHORE VILLAGE COMMUNITY DINNER**

Everyone Welcome!

Join us for fresh, home-cooked food, live music and good company.

Dinner served from 5:00 pm.

Featuring Live Music.

WHERE: St. Margaret's Anglican Church, 156 Sixth Street

WHEN: Friday June 21, 5:00-6:00 pm "Pay what you can", Fully Accessible

#### Saturday June 22

#### **STRAWBERRY TEA**

Join us for our Annual Strawberry Tea for Strawberries and Cake or a Strawberry Sundae.

Bake Sale, Crafts, and books for sale too!

Everyone Welcome!

WHERE: St. Margaret's Anglican Church, 156 Sixth Street

WHEN: Saturday June 22, 1:00 pm -3:00 pm

**COST:** \$5.00 adults / \$2.50 children

#### **Toronto Road Closures**

#### Weekend events with road closures in Toronto

Several special events this weekend will involve road closures. Residents and visitors are encouraged to come out and enjoy these events. Businesses in the areas affected are open to pedestrian traffic but some roads will be closed to vehicles.

Festivals and other special events are important to the city, injecting hundreds of millions of dollars annually into Toronto's economy, and they are enjoyed each year by local residents.

In addition to road closures related to special events, there is a significant amount of road work taking place in the city. People are encouraged to take public transit as a greener, faster and more affordable way of getting to their destinations.

Those who need to drive in the general vicinity of special events should allow extra time to get to and from their destination. A more complete list of events and road work is available at <a href="http://www.toronto.ca/torontostreets/">http://www.toronto.ca/torontostreets/</a>.

#### **Malvern Bicycle Race**

Brenyon Way, from Sheppard Avenue East to Sewells Road, will be closed from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 1 to accommodate this event.

#### Family Fun Fit, Kids of Steel Triathlon (bike race)

The westbound lanes of Kingston Road, from Danforth Avenue to Birchmount Road will be closed on Saturday, June 1 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Maya's March

Conlins Road, from Ellesmere Road to Military Trail will be closed on Sunday, June 2 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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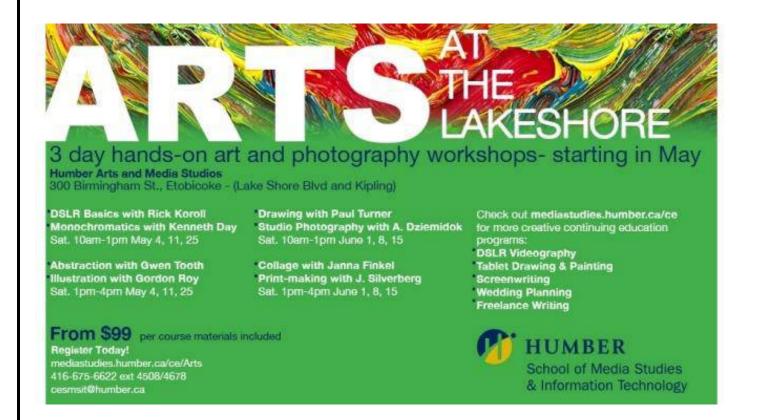
- An alternative route to use instead of the Gardiner Expressway would be Lake Shore Blvd. Alternative routes to use instead of the DVP would be Bayview Avenue, Leslie Street or Don Mills Road.

#### **Toronto Public Health DineSafe**

See the latest inspection results of any City of Toronto dinning establishment online at <a href="http://www.toronto.ca/health/dinesafe/">http://www.toronto.ca/health/dinesafe/</a>

#### **Public Consultations**

For a full list of consultations please visit http://www.toronto.ca/civic-engagement/consultations.htm



#### C.J. Skateboard Park & School

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March 11-15, 2013

\$250 (5 days)

#### **PA Day Camps:**

Monday	April 01, 2013	\$55
Monday	May 13, 2013	\$55
Friday	June 07, 2013	\$55
Friday	June 28, 2013	\$55

#### **Summer Camps:**

July 02-05, 2013	\$200 (4 days)
July 08-12, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 15-19, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 22-26, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 29-Aug. 02, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 06-09, 2013	\$200 (4 days)
August 12-16, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 19-23, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 26-30, 2013	\$250 (5 days)



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# LAMP Community Health Centre Barbecue on the Lawn

Tuesday, June 4, 2013

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Awards Master of Ceremonies:

Alicia Markson

Celebration starts at 6:00 pm Awards Ceremony at 7:00 pm Food \$5/plate









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