

Community Arts Stakeholder Consultations: the Future of Community Arts in Toronto

Toronto Culture is looking for your suggestions on how to build, support and enhance community arts across Toronto. A strong and healthy community arts sector can create strong and healthy neighbourhoods. Community arts does this by bringing together people from all walks of life through the arts. Local artists, youth and members of the broader community are engaged in arts programs and activities that nurture a sense of belonging and community pride.

By working together, we can create communities infused with creativity that will lead to a vibrant arts and culture life for all of us and contribute to the development of our Creative City.

You are invited to attend a stakeholder consultation to have a voice in the future of community arts in Toronto. We need your input on strategies to:

- address challenges and opportunities identified by community arts practitioners
- ensure increased and sustained funding for community arts development across Toronto
- open up affordable space for use by community arts and youth groups
- gain recognition of the important role community arts play in building, developing and nurturing neighbourhoods
- improve resource-sharing among community arts practitioners.

Please join us at one of the following sessions:



Thursday, May 24 • 6-8 pm L'Amoreaux Community Recreation Ctr. 2000 McNicoll Ave. Parkview Room

Thursday, May 17 • 6-8 pm Metro Hall 55 John St, Room 304

Wednesday, May 30 • 6-8 pm **Etobicoke Civic Centre** 399 The West Mall, Meeting Rooms 2 & 3

Food and refreshments will be provided.



To RSVP or for more information, contact Margaret Chan, Senior Arts Development Co-ordinator by calling 416-338-0491 or emailing mchan4@toronto.ca.

Following the Stakeholder Consultations, your suggestions will be integrated into a report on how to strengthen and sustain community arts in Toronto that will be submitted to City Council in fall 2007. For more information about community arts in Toronto, including a preliminary report to City Council submitted in January 2006, visit: www.toronto.ca/culture.











