



ST. JOHN'S

LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP

St. John's LIP Newsletter May 2023

The St. John's Local Immigration Partnership is a broad-based partnership designed to support the well-being and participation of newcomers in all aspects of life in the city, as well as to strengthen the city's ability to integrate newcomer needs into municipal planning processes. The St. John's LIP is co-led by the City of St. John's and the Association for New Canadians and funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

In this Newsletter:

You will notice that there will be more links than usual, if bolded or in colour, it often means they are active and meant to be **clicked**.

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City of St. John's: News and Updates



NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK 2023

YOUTH ART EXHIBIT

WYATT HALL (SECOND FLOOR CITY HALL)

Monday May 1 to Friday May 5

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Opening Reception May 1, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

YOUTH CARNIVAL

PAUL REYNOLDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Wednesday May 3, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

FREE SWIM

PAUL REYNOLDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Thursday May 4, 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.

FREE SWIM

H.G.R MEWS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Friday May 5, 6:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.

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City Celebrates Youth Week May 1 to 7

We're celebrating our youth during National Youth Week with several free events and activities. This week recognizes and applauds the talents, passion and achievements of our local young people.

Art Exhibit

Our annual Youth Art Exhibit opens to the public on Monday, May 1 at the Wyatt (Great) Hall, City Hall. An opening reception will be held at 7 p.m. with light refreshments and youth entertainment. All are welcome to attend. The art will be on display during regular business hours, May 1 to 5.

Carnival

Junior and senior high-aged youth are invited to the Paul Reynolds Community Centre, 35 Carrick Drive, for a free Youth Carnival on Wednesday, May 3 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There will be inflatables, a magician, giant-sized games, prizes and much more!

Free Swims

Youth are invited to swim for free at one of two special swims:

- Paul Reynolds Community Centre, Thursday, May 4, from 6:30 to 7:20 p.m.

- H.G.R Mews Community Centre, Friday May 5 from 6 to 6:50 p.m.

Please note that registration for these swims is not required, but space is limited.

Celebrate Diversity Month

April was Celebrate Diversity Month. Learn more about the history, importance and how to observe Celebrate Diversity month at nationaltoday.com.



Partners: News and Updates



Wellness Cafe

The ANC is launching a Wellness Cafe starting May 2nd. The Clinical Services Team has created an opportunity for coffee, tea, snacks, conversation and connection with other new Canadians. It will be held at the LINC Cafeteria at 148 Elizabeth Avenue every two weeks, starting **May 2nd @3:00-4:00** . For more information contact Danita Vokey, dvokey@ancnl.ca.

Job Openings at the ANC

The Association for New Canadians employs a team of dedicated individuals who work together in a diverse workplace to provide an array of services to newcomers in the province. Check out their job openings at www.ancnl.ca.

ANC Q&A Drop-In Session

The ANC's next virtual drop-in session is on Wednesday, May 3rd from 10-11:00 AM (9:30-10:30 AM for most of Labrador). All temporary residents, international students, employees, and employers are welcome to attend, where the ANC will discuss your questions and more. Sessions will be held virtually. Please complete and submit this **form** to register.

Temporary Foreign Workers

The Association for New Canadians has started a new project aimed to inform Temporary Foreign Workers of their rights as workers in Canada. In-person and virtual events will be held throughout the province over the coming months. For more information, or to register, e-mail nltfw@ancnl.ca or phone 1-833-316-5839.

Interpreters/translators sought

The Association for New Canadians is looking for interpreters and translators for occasional paid work. We are currently especially in need of people who are fluent in Ukrainian, Somali, Swahili, Tigrinya, and Filipino. For more information, contact interpretation@ancnl.ca.



The **Multicultural Women's Organization of Newfoundland and Labrador** have a full calendar of activities for May 2022. All programs are free (seats are limited).

To register and for more information, contact inaam.j@mwonl.com or call MWONL at 709-726-0321.

Multicultural Women's Organization of NL (MWONL) Event Calendar (May 2023)



May 01 @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Turkish Cooking Class
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Zen

May 03 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
English Conversation Class
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Samar Araby

May 09 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
English conversation
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Manu Jain

May 11 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Fun Day
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Maria Cristina

May 17 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
English Conversation Class
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Samar Araby

May 18 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Getting a Childcare in NL partnering with Jimmy Pratt Foundation
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator:

May 23 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
English Conversation Class
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Manu Jain

May 30 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Art Class
Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.
Facilitator: Shobhana Sariya

All events are free.

To register contact Inaam at inaam.j@mwonl.com

For more information contact Noran at admin@mwonl.com or call MWONL Office at (709) 726 0321;



#MyStory

**Within our stories is the
mental health care we all need.**



CMHA Mental Health Week

May 1 – 7, 2023 MentalHealthWeek.ca

Mental Health Week May 1-7

May 1-7, 2023 is Mental Health Week, and this year's theme is My Story. Individuals, groups and organizations are encouraged to share their stories during the week using the hashtags #MyStory and #MentalHealthWeek to shine a light on their personal journey, a program they offer, or to showcase how their community supports the mental health of others.

Bridge the gapp, Newfoundland and Labrador's mental health and addictions website, is offering several webinars throughout the week.

For each webinar, the names of individuals who attend will be entered for a \$25 gift card draw. If you participate in all of the webinars during the week, that's 8 chances to win. Register at **[FREE e-Mental Health Webinar](#)**.

ABC

LifeLiteracyCanada

Canada Life Literacy Innovation Award

The *Canada Life Literacy Innovation Award* honours innovation in the development, implementation and delivery of adult literacy or adult-integrated family literacy programs delivered by a community organization in Canada. The adult-focused literacy program makes a positive contribution to the lives of the participants as well as the community, and could serve as a model for other organizations to adopt.

The awards are as follows:

- one (1) top award of \$20,000
- up to two (2) honourable mention awards in the amount of \$10,000 each.

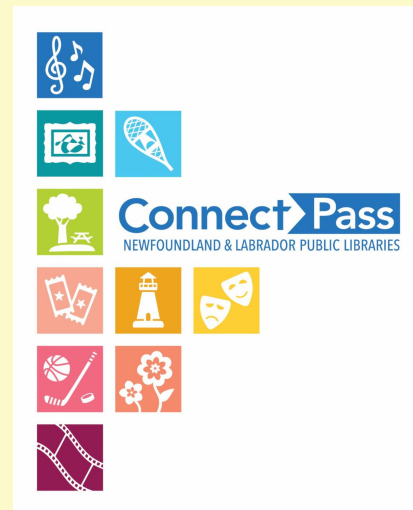
More information and application can be found [here](#).

Title: Connect Pass Information Session

Date: Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30pm

Description:

What is the NLPL Connect Pass? Join **NL Public Libraries** for an evening of learning and doing and the A. C. Hunter Library! Tuesday, May 2nd @ 6:30pm. This is a hybrid informational session, join in-person or from home on a device via WebEx. Please call the A.C. Hunter Library to register at 709-737-3950.





Race 2 Dinner NL - Racism within the Healthcare System

Racism in medicine is a critical issue that needs to be addressed. Join Race 2 Dinner for a dynamic event where they will explore the ways in which racism affects healthcare delivery and discuss strategies for promoting equity and justice in healthcare.

Co-facilitators for the session include healthcare professionals, activists, and community leaders who will share their insights and experiences with anti-racism in medicine, offering actionable steps we can all take to fight against systemic racism in the healthcare industry.

Whether you're a healthcare provider, student, or simply interested in learning more about this important topic, this event is for you. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with others who are passionate about creating a more just and equitable healthcare system.

Join Race 2 Dinner NL on **May 27th** for this informative and inspiring event. Register now to reserve your spot at www.eventbrite.ca

CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION 2023



Award Categories:

1. Trailblazer Award
2. Social Justice and Advocacy Award
3. Equity at Work Award
4. Inspired Innovation Award
5. Lifetime Achievement Award



**Nominations close:
May 31st, 2023**

Nominations Open for YWCA Circle of Distinction Awards

Formerly called the Women of Distinction Awards, the YWCA St. John's Circle of Distinction Awards is a widening of our community of excellence to celebrate the achievements of women and gender-diverse people. The Awards provide a platform to celebrate and share empowering stories of women and gender-diverse people that will inspire others to learn, achieve, and participate. Within their respective domains, nominees are those who break barriers and overcome obstacles to make a difference in the lives of others. Nominate an innovator in your community today. The deadline is MAY 31st. Please email any questions to cod@ywcastjohns.ca



7TH ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION

KE'TIPNEMK GALA

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
FINE DINING, ENTERTAINMENT AND SILENT AUCTION
IN SUPPORT OF THE MI'KMAW CULTURAL FOUNDATION

MAY 27TH, 2023 | 6:00PM - 10:00PM

BELLA VISTA, 26 TORBAY RD, ST. JOHN'S, NL A2A 2G4

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE: WWW.MIKMAWCF.CA



SCAN ME

7th Annual Dinner & Auction Ke'tipnemk Gala

Join the Mi'kmaq Cultural Foundation for an evening of fine dining, entertainment and auction at the Bella Vista in St. John's on May 27th. This charity event is open to everyone - Indigenous and non-Indigenous. Buy tickets at www.mikmawcf.ca

Submit Your Events and Get Involved

Do you have an upcoming event the community should know about? Would you like us to highlight a successful program or initiative? Get in touch if you wish to have your organization's work or event included in our newsletter.

We send out a monthly newsletter, so please send your June 2023 updates by May 29, 2023

The St. John's LIP also has many opportunities for you to get involved. It is comprised of over 60 volunteers who participate through involvement on the Partnership Council or on one of our three working groups: **Welcoming + Wellness, Employment + Skilled Labour, and Education + Training** - we welcome your passion in one of these areas to help us uplift and empower our newcomer community.

Contact immigration@stjohns.ca for more information or to get involved.

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communications@stjohns.ca



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