



ST. JOHN'S

LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP

St. John's LIP Newsletter October 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 are links, if bolded or in colour, it often means they are active and meant to be **clicked**.

City of St. John's: News and Updates

My New St. John's Expo

The City of St. John's is eager to see you at the My New St. John's Expo happening on Thursday, October 19th from noon until 6pm at the St. John's Community Market (245 Freshwater Road).

**Discover all
St. Johns has to offer**
My New St. John's Expo!

Thursday, October 19
Noon to 6 p.m.
St. John's Community Market
245 Freshwater Road

**FREE
EVENT**



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A variety of exhibitors representing: healthcare, education, transportation, housing, recreation and more will be present to greet you at this free event.

[Discover the Expo and Featured Exhibitors](#)

[Social Media Toolkit for Participating Exhibitors](#)

City of St. John's Accessibility Plan



The City of St. John's is developing a new **Accessibility Plan**. The plan will include what the City does now to increase accessibility and future actions to further improve accessibility for people with disabilities. To help with developing the plan, the City is looking for feedback from people in the community who live with a disability, care for or advocate for people with disabilities. Since accessibility benefits everyone, anyone who would like to participate can. The plan is scheduled to be completed by December 2023 and implemented over the next three years. To learn more and have your

say, please visit the [Engage St. John's project page](#) before engagement ends on October 6th, 2023.



Free, inclusive annual **Pumpkin Walk** will take place at Bannerman Park on Wednesday, **November 1st** from **5:30-8:30pm**.

Drop off your carved pumpkins at the park for showcasing from **8am until 5:30pm** on **November 1st**

Sensory Friendly Hour is from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., during this time there will be no loud music and no surprise performances. After 6:30 p.m. the event will feature Halloween themed music, a live DJ and pop-up performances possibly including Zombies. Bring your own reusable mug for free hot chocolate.

Your carved created will be composted at the end of the night for future landscaping projects.

Immigration: News and Updates



Virtual Global Employment Fairs

Free virtual employment fairs for employers are ongoing now until **March 27th**. Registration is required. Fairs roughly occur monthly and focus on a unique global region. The next fair will be held on **October 25th** focusing on Africa.

Schedule

Region	Date	Local Time	NL Time
East Asia, South East Asia, Oceania	Sept. 20, 2023	8 pm KST (Korea ST)	8:30 am
Africa	Oct. 25, 2023	6 pm WAT (West Africa)	1:30 pm
Europe, Central Asia	Nov. 16, 2023	7 pm IST (Irish)	3:30 pm
Middle East, South Asia	Jan. 24, 2024	6 pm GST (Gulf)	11:30 am
The Americas	Mar. 27, 2024	7 pm EST	8:30 pm

[Register Here](#)

Partners: News and Updates

ST. JOHN'S TOMBOLO Multicultural Festival 2023

Friday, September 29 to Sunday, October 1, 2023.

*Join Us to Celebrate Cultural Diversity in
Newfoundland and Labrador*

FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES:

- i). **EVENING CONCERT:** Friday, September 29 at 7:00 pm at The John C. Perlin Arts and Culture Centre main Theatre.
- ii). **MULTICULTURAL HERITAGE WORKSHOPS:** Saturday, September 30 at 11:00 am at The John C. Perlin Arts and Culture Centre. Free Admission.
- iii). **MULTICULTURAL FOOD AND CRAFT FAIR:** Sunday, October 1 at 10 am at St. John's Farmers' Market.
- iv). **MULTICULTURAL VARIETY CONCERT:** Sunday, October 1 at 7:00 pm at St. John's Farmers' Market location. Free Admission.

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Tombolo Festival 2023


Friday, September 29 – Sunday, October 1, 2023 at St. John's Arts and Culture Centre and St. John's Farmers' Market locations. A celebration of cultural diversity and the arts in Newfoundland and Labrador. The festival will feature multicultural variety concerts, multicultural heritage workshops, multicultural food and craft fair and more.

Recognizing National Truth and Reconciliation Day

where will you be
september 30th?



Rally Around Reconciliation

 September 30  2:45 PM  Colonial Building

First Light and First Voice are calling on the community at large to rally around reconciliation on **September 30th**. If you cannot join in person, there are still ways you can participate, including sharing **#WhyIWearOrange**

[Get More Details](#)

Festival of New Dance 2023

FESTIVAL
OF NEW
DANCE

From kathak (Indian classical dance) to flamenco intensive workshops the Festival of New Dance happening **now** until **October 7th** has something for everybody!

[FND2023 program](#)



Homestay Host Program

The Homestay Hosting Program invites Newfoundlanders and Labradorians to host Ukrainian newcomers as they navigate through their settlement journey to “set roots” and make this province their home. The approved host families will receive \$1,000 monthly for up to five (5) months for hosting, along with many other rewards that come from helping those in need.

To learn more about how you can become a Homestay Host, please contact: homestay@ancnl.ca or 709 693 2918

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/careers

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-



Call for School Supplies

ANC’s Child and Youth Programs department is in need of school supplies for newcomer students! All supplies including binders, backpacks, rulers, pens, etc. would be much appreciated by us and our newcomer youth. If you have the means to give, please contact us at CAYP@ancnl.ca or call 709-722-2828



Guide to the Good releases livestream series

Social Enterprise is growing in Newfoundland and Labrador! **Guide to the Good**, in partnership with **Community Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador** is excited to be sharing the stories of social enterprise through a brand-new original Livestream series, Looks Like Social Enterprise!

There are so many great things going on with social enterprises in the province - some are well-established and some are up-and-coming! Follow along to find out about what We Care Foundation, TaskforceNL, Mokami Status of Women and others are up to!

They are all different, they are all using business to build better lives for people, and they all have a story to share!

[Follow Along](#)



ABC Life Literacy & Activate Learning

Innovation Learning Lab: Lessons from this year's Canada Life Literacy Innovation Award winners

Date: Thursday, October 5th at 1:00pm EDT

What: A celebration and round-table discussion with this year's Canada Life

Literacy Innovation Award (LIA) winners, covering questions about the winning programs, including their challenges, successes, lessons learned, and helpful resources that you can use in your own literacy programs.

To register, [click here](#)

New resources are available on the ABC website!

Explore the ever-growing **Get Started series** from *UP Skills for Work*; more workbooks for learners with lower literacy levels are being added every month.

The **ABC Internet Matters** program launched a new course about Internet Safety on the ABC Skills Hub, [here](#). This course is about how you can keep your information safe while using the internet.

The first two workbooks for *UP Skills for Work: People with Diverse Abilities - Adaptability: Self-regulation* and **Communication: Understanding social cues** - will launch on September 15th. You can register for virtual workshops to see the resources here:

- **Communication: Understanding social cues** on October 3rd @ 1pm EDT
- **Adaptability: Self-regulation** on October 10th @ 1pm EDT

ABC Connect for Learning

What: ABC Connect for Learning offers a flexible approach to digital learning that supports learners at different stages of their digital literacy journeys. This program offers:

- Resources to **get started using digital devices** and learn popular applications that can be used on the Internet.
- Resources to **learn new technology** and how to use certain websites, apps and software on phones, tablets or computers.
- Courses on an **online learning platform** to continue practicing digital skills.

Video: Introducing ABC Connect for Learning ([EN](#) & [FR](#))

Where: click [here](#) to visit the new website!

Interested in learning more? Join us for an **informational webinar October 19**. Find more information [here](#)



Making Home Here, at The Rooms

Running until **January 2024** this new exhibition explores the newcomer and migrant experience and how they have come to call Newfoundland & Labrador home. Through their paintings, photography, screen-printing and textile work, the artists give insight into the challenges of relocating, domesticity, marginalization and the importance of multiculturalism.





MWONL Activity List for October 2023

Tuesday, Oct 3 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Info Session: Fraud and Scam Protection

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

Facilitator: Catherine Connolly

Tuesday, Oct 10 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Movie: "Provoked" (true story of Domestic Violence of an immigrant woman) Rated +18

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

Thursday, Oct 12 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Thanksgiving Cooking Session (partnership with St John's Women's Centre)

Location: 170 Cashin Ave.

Facilitator: Natasha Bader

Tuesday, Oct 17 @ 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Fun Day for Caregivers and Families

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

Facilitator: Maria Cristina

Wednesday, Oct 18 @ 11:00 pm - 12:30 pm

Senior Outing (+55) : Lester Farm Chalet

Location: 92 Pearlton Rd.

Thursday, Oct 19 @ 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

My New St. John's Expo Fair - MWONL Engagement

Location: St. John's Farmers' Market

Tuesday, Oct 24 @ 11:00 pm - 12:30 pm

Art Class

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

Facilitator: Shobhana Sariya

Wednesday, Oct 25 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

English Conversation Class

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

Facilitator: Samar Araby

Sunday, Oct 29 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Newcomers and Childcare: Sharing our Stories (partnership with Jimmy Pratt Foundation)

Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Rd.

All programs are **free of cost**. (Seats are limited)

To register and for more information, contact Inaam at

inaam.j@mwonl.com or call Noran at MWONL Office at (709) 726 0321

A variety of free activities for the community to join during the month of October!

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.

The St. John's LIP also has many opportunities for you to get involved.

Comprised of volunteers who participate through involvement in one of our three working groups: Welcoming + Wellness, Employment + Skilled Labour, and Education + Training we welcome your passion in these areas to help us

uplift and empower our newcomer community.

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

**We send out a monthly newsletter; please send your October updates
by September 25, 2023**

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