



TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2011

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS SUMMER 2011

AGENDA

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Linda Mahadeo YMCA, linda.mahadeo@ymcagta.org
- Cameron Ray, Toronto Public Library: cray@torontopubliclibrary.ca;
- Carol Gamble, Volunteer Toronto: cgamble@volunteertoronto.ca
- Gael Robertson-Craig, Earl Haig S.S. CL Guidance
- Barbara Shafman, Coordinator, AYJ Global Program: ayjglobal@yahoo.com
- Ari Sargon, Edutravel: ari@edutravel.com
- Melina Mancini, George Hardy Tours: melina@ghardytraveltours.com

Websites of Speakers

YMCA Employment Resource Center: Job search, resumes, workshops, 4580 Dufferin St, 2nd Floor 416-635-9622, www.ymcagta.org

Toronto Public Library: Books, events, training, computer resources, information, more than you can ever imagine www.torontopubliclibrary.ca

Volunteer Toronto: Info and contacts for programs and agencies across Toronto. Can help you find the best place to match your interests. www.volunteertoronto.ca

TDSB www.tdsb.on.ca & Earl Haig www.earlhaig.ca

Edutravel Summer & March Break Credit Courses Partner with TDSB. Travel to US, other Canadian cities, earn high school credits. www.edutravelforcredit.com 416.923.4638

AYJGlobal TDSB Summer School in Asia – Honk Kong, Shanghai & Taipei Summer Credit Program, class and conversational ESL www.ayjglobal.com Call 647-880-0302

Georgie Hardy Tours: Student travel & credit courses. www.ghardytraveltours.com

How To Find Out About These and Other Opportunities

- Look around Earl Haig
- Check in front of the various curriculum offices: posters, flyers, etc on display for many fabulous programs
- Listen to the announcements
- Check the announcement board
- Ask teachers
- Talk to friends
- Keep your eyes and ears open
- Follow-up on leads

Why

- To gain experience, learn practical skills (using software, interview skills, event planning skills), build confidence, improve language skills, learn more about specific careers (think you want to be a vet – volunteer at the Toronto Humane Society), resume booster, builds career skills (e.g. to be a doctor - develop patient skills at the Cancer Society),
- To explore job opportunities (full and part-time)
- Volunteer (can be just a couple of hours a week – or more; or volunteer for special events)
- Courses (credit and non-credit) Co-op placements

Summer School

TDSB

Registration begins mid-April.

*New Credit Grade 11 & 12 courses (Grade 9 & 10 credits for students 17 years of age or older) Deadline is Friday, June 3 - 3:30 p.m.

*Remedial Credit deadline is Wed, June 29 at noon.

*Non-credit Literacy/Numeracy Credits for Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12 registration Deadline for Wednesday, June 29 at noon.

*** Check with school to confirm details and dates.**

Summer school runs July 5 to Friday July 29, 2011. ALL students must register through their home school guidance dept.

TDSB VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Registration closes on June 5, 2011. Summer school courses begin on June 29 and end the last week of July. There are some changes to the registration process. Instructions are available at

www.tdsb.on.ca/students/

TDSB

Summer school, credit and non-credit classes, drivers education, co-op credit course during school (great for career development)

www.tdsb.on.ca

TDSB SUMMER CO-OP PROGRAM

TDSB is offering a 2 CREDIT Summer Co-Op Program July 4- Aug 12. Must be willing to travel to placements within Toronto. If you want to: EXPLORE A CAREER, EARN A CREDIT, DEVELOP MARKETABLE SKILLS or GAIN VALUABLE WORK EXPERIENCE - this program is for you. For further information and/or application forms, please see Guidance Department ASAP.

Other Boards

Summer School Information from the York Region District School Board (www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca), Toronto Catholic School Board (www.tcdsb.org), and York Catholic School Board (www.ycdsb.ca) is available through their websites (usually the end of April/beginning of May. Each school board has their own rules for registering students who are not registered students within that board. Please read all information carefully so you do not miss deadlines.

YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Information regarding registration for NON YRDSB STUDENTS is now available at www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca Students can register in person at one of four sites on Wednesday, May 14 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Very Specific rules for Non-YRDSB students. Check web site for details & location.

Summer Jobs

Canadian Government Jobs

A variety of opportunities:

www.youth.gc.ca/eng/topics/jobs/programs.shtml

Summer Jobs

Summer Jobs from the Federal Government's YouthPath site www.youth.gc.ca/eng/home.shtml Apply Feb 1-28, 2011

Ontario Summer Jobs

Ontario Summer Jobs through Ontario government. Ont. summer student hiring; Ontario/Quebec Summer Student Job Exchange; Ontario Rangers; Summer Company (funding and support to help start up a summer business); Summer Jobs for

Youth; Summer Jobs Service (provides small financial incentive to private businesses to employ youth), and volunteer opportunities.

www.youthconnect.ca/htdocs/english/index.asp

Second Language Spring/Summer Program

Promotes study of Canada's official languages, run by federal and provinces. Two programs: Explore (apply by Feb 28) and Destination Clic (apply by Mar 15). Details at www.myodyssey.ca

Summer Work Student Exchange

Summer Work Student Exchange program runs for 6 weeks (from early July to mid-Aug.) aimed at students 16 & 17 years of age who are returning to school in Sept. www.summer-work.com

International Experience Canada

Enables young Canadians, between 18 and 30 yrs, to obtain new skills and training to help them compete in the global economy and exp. foreign cultures. Jobs, internships, etc www.international.gc.ca/iyp-pij/

Opportunities with Ministry of Natural Resources

Includes Ontario Rangers: 8 week job program provides a unique combination of work, learning and life experiences. www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/Youth/STEL01_129621.html

City of Toronto

Offers a number of opportunities for summer employment www.toronto.ca/employment/summer_employment.htm

City of Toronto – Parks & Recreation

A number of jobs working directly with children www.toronto.ca/parks/hiringnow/index.htm

Bilingual (French-English) Jobs, Courses, Opportunities

Guide for students looking for ways to use/and develop their language skills www.cpf.ca/eng/resources-cpf-guides-bilingual-guide.html

Summer Jobs Posting

Provides links to job postings, apprenticeships, help with resumes, url.tpl.toronto.on.ca/helpfile/ca_y0001.html#jobb

Workopolis

Largest commercial Canadian-based job site lists wide range of available jobs – run by Toronto Star and Globe and Mail.

www.workopolis.com

Destination Clic

Build potential with a placement along with other students in different francophone communities around Canada. Program offers 5-week training in French and Francophone culture in Spring and Summer. Will receive \$2000 tuition scholarship paid to the institution. www.destinationclic.ca/

Courses and Other Experiences Builds skills and your resume

TDSB CyberArts (Non-Credit)

Computer Graphics & Design, 2D Animation, Fundamentals of Filmmaking, Anime-tion . Cost: \$260/week Youth up to 16 years. Call 416-395-3192 ext 20135.

TDSB Summer Sounds (Non-Credit)

Students grades 5-9 interested in developing singing and instrument skills. Camp runs 8:30am-12:30pm July 4-July 20 at York Mills Collegiate. Call 416-395-3090 x 20085 or email hugh.corbett@tdsb.on.ca.

TDSB Co-op Courses (Credit)

Available through the school. Fabulous – every student should consider doing a co-op course. Great experience.

York University's Science Explorations Summer Program

Science Explorations Program 6 weeks in July & August run by Faculty of Science & Engineering. Fun, hands-on activities to engage and encourage youth to learn and explore topics in science & engineering. science.yorku.ca/Special-Events-Outreach/Science-Explorations/our-camps.html

Summer Science Camp at Canada's Perimeter Institute

International Summer School for Young Physicists for students 16 & 17 with a keen interest in science. Scientific activities challenge students from quantum world of atoms to black holes, warped spacetime and expanding universe. July 27-Aug. 8 and Aug.14- Aug 26. Located in Waterloo, Ontario. Deadline to apply: mid Apr. www.youngphysicists.ca

Education First

Language Learning, Academic and University preparation programs, Cultural Exchange Programs. www.ef.com

Canadian Education Exchange Foundation

3 month international exchanges as well as summer programs to France, Switzerland or Spain. www.ceef.ca

Canada World Youth

A leader in developing international educational programs where young people learn through experience. www.cwy-jcm.org

ASSE - International Student Exchange Programs

One of the oldest and largest international student exchange organizations. www.asse.com

AFS Interculture Canada

International non-profit organization dedicated to global understanding and community involvement through quality international programs for youth. www.afscanada.org

The Second City

The Second City theatre company offers unique curriculum based workshops and performances that enrich the work of K-12 students and educators each year in Toronto. www.secondcity.com/?id=training-education/training/toronto

Shad valley

Shad Valley is a Canadian summer program for high school students – runs in July. Focuses on entrepreneurship, science, and technology. The activities depend entirely on the diverse talents of the campus' staff. For students Grade 10 to 12. www.shad.uwaterloo.ca/

Queen's University

Queen's Department of Enrichment Studies esu.queensu.ca/ offers wonderful residential programs.

EMC

Fabulous program 1 week programs in May – held at Queen's University – students take a single course in an area of interest. High level courses in philosophy, business, computer programming, medicine. esu.queensu.ca/

Ontario Science Centre School

Enhance and Learn new skills by attending programs specially prepared by Ontario educators. www.ontariosciencecentre.ca/oscschool/default.asp

Ontario Camping Association

Skills training, jobs and opportunities www.ontariocamps.ca/

Ontario Educational Leadership Centre

Ontario Educational Leadership Centre, provides students with a unique opportunity to develop and enhance their personal & leadership skills. www.oelccaso.com

Katimavik

Offers young Canadians an exciting experience that incorporates learning and volunteer involvement. Canada's leading national youth volunteer-service program. www.katimavik.org

Canadian Parliament

Both the Senate and the House of Commons offer summer jobs. E.g., 40 students selected each year from high schools and CEGEPs across Canada to come to Ottawa and work as Pages in the House of Commons, or Parliamentary Library. www.parl.gc.ca/common/AboutParl_Youth.asp

GAP

GAP Activity Projects: educational, not-for-profit organization. GAP promotes international understanding through providing voluntary exchanges for young people. GAP has 30 years of experience in matching young volunteers to suitable voluntary placements. www.gap.org.uk/omain.html

Forum for Young Canadians

Programs to provide greater knowledge of Canada, constitution, government, its leaders, and about what it means to be Canadian. www.igloo.org/forum

Federal Student Work Experience Program

(FSWEP) is the primary vehicle through which federal departments/agencies recruit students for 8,000 student jobs. jobs-emplois.gc.ca/fswep-pfete/index-eng.htm

Exchanges Canada

Over 300 exchange opportunities including two-way exchanges for Canadians between the ages 11-18 www.exchanges.gc.ca

Encounters with Canada

A one-week program of Canadian studies held at the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre in Ottawa for 15-17 year-old students from across Canada. www.encounters-rencontres.ca/

Deep River Science Academy

DRSA is nurturing young talent today to become our scientists and engineers of tomorrow. www.drsa.ca

Outward Bound Canada

Uses wilderness as the classroom, Outward Bound seeks to develop self confidence, care and respect for others, community responsibility and environment concern. www.outwardbound.ca

Duke of Edinburgh's Awards

independent leadership challenges at different levels of difficulty and complexity www.dukeofed.org/

High School Debating

Ontario Student Debating Union provides competitions and a provincial seminar. The regional competitions are to be determined. To obtain more information on provincial competitions, visit the website at www.osdu.on.ca

Volunteering Opportunities

- Check newspapers for volunteer positions.
- Volunteer as a peer tutor or homework helper.
- Volunteer at your local church.
- Volunteer at a hospital, retirement or nursing home.
- Make contacts in your field of interest
- Great opportunity to learn about a career
- Opportunity to develop career skills
- Build your resume
- Great for your self-confidence and knowledge

There are opportunities in ALL fields – the Social Services, Government, the Arts, Theatre, Animal Care, Administration, Health, Sciences, Landscaping, Technical Skills, etc.

Annex Cat Rescue: Provide temporary foster homes for stray cats. Expenses covered. Call 416-410-3835. annexcatrescue.ca/

Art Gallery of Ontario: Greeters, gallery shop, audio guide attendants, visitor survey attendants, be part of an advisory council, tour guides and Grange historical interpreters are needed. Contact Syrus Marcus Ware at 416-979-6660, x503 www.ago.net/youth

Arts Carousel: Non-profit agency providing opportunities for physically challenged adults to visit theatres and museums needs volunteers with human resources, public relations and fundraising experience for board. 3 - 4 hours a month. Call 416-391-2086.

Baycrest Centre: Evening, weekend, summer opportunities. Many different placements available. Call 416-785-2500, extension 2572. www.baycrest.org/Volunteerism/Youth_Volunteer_Program

Bernard Betel Centre For Creative Living: Non-profit seniors' centre needs volunteers to visit blind or housebound seniors. One to three hours a week. Naomi Ziegler, Volunteer Co-ordinator, at 416-225-2112, x 127. www.betelcentre.org/volunteer

Canadian Cancer Society: Many volunteer opportunities – in office, connecting people to services, special events. You are needed. Call 416-480-7901 or toronto@ontario.cancer.ca

Canadian National Institute For The Blind:

Volunteers needed in office, fundraise, produce audio materials, and more. Training provided. 1929 Bayview Ave. Toronto, 416-486-2500 www.cnib.ca/en/support/volunteer/

Carefree Lodge: Seniors residence in Bayview and Finch Ave. area. Call Volunteer Centre, North York branch, 416-631-6117.

Catholic Children's Aid Society: Tutor children or youths and working one-on-one with them or help their parents. Call 416-395-1785

Children's Aid Society: Mentor/Tutor children or youths, support Toy Rooms, work one-on-one, group work assistant, support to parents, office work. Training provided. Call Jo-Anne Meslin 416-924-4640 ext. 2946 www.torontocas.ca/

Daily Bread Food Bank

Opportunities for short term (e.g., afternoon) or those able to commit to longer time. Various positions are available. You are needed. Online application: www.dailybread.ca/volunteer/

Davenport Perth Neighbourhood Centre: Tutor high school students, to upgrade grammar, spelling and reading skills. Call 416-781-0902.

Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre: Look after and play with children ages 2 to 6 while parents participate in ESL classes Tues & Thurs, 9:30a.m. to noon. Call Fiona, 416-392-1750, x303.

Epilepsy Toronto: Work at gift-wrapping service, events, office support. Call 416-964-9095.

Toronto Humane Society: Speak to schoolchildren on behalf of the society, feed kittens, socialize and groom dogs, join the public relations committee. Call 416-392-2273

Toronto Fringe Festival: Volunteers age 17 and up are needed for festival from July 1 to 11. Receive play vouchers and T-shirt. Call Volunteer Coordinator at volunteer@fringetoronto.com or 416-966-1062. www.fringetoronto.com/

Hazel Burns Hospice: If you are interested in working in the hospice/palliative care field, free certified training will be provided. Call Deena at 416-782-5915.

Heart & Stroke Foundation: Leadership, fundraising, community education, help in the office. volunteer@hsf.on.ca

Jewish Vocational Services: Summer volunteers needed to do administration, be computer tutors, assist with general clerical duties in Dufferin & Lawrence area. Call Volunteer Centre branch, 416-631-6117.

Kavanh Garden

Project of the Jewish Nature Centre of Canada – Torat. Volunteers most welcome. Call Risa Alyson Strauss at 416-805-8382 or risa@torathateva.org

North York Harvest Food Bank: Food sorter, warehouse assistant, computer technician, office help. Call 416-635-7771 ext. 29 or by email at lisa@northyorkharvest.com

North York General Hospital

Please contact the Volunteer Services Department at: 416-756-6088 or e-mail volsvs@nygh.on.ca.

North York Women's Centre: Two experienced group facilitators needed. Topics to be covered include family, relationships, self-esteem and effective communication. Call Jessica, 416-781-0479.

Opera Atelier: Baroque Theatre Company needs energetic, organized volunteers to get involved in the office, at events, performances and behind the scenes. Email Nancy Hitzig at nancy.hitzig@operaatelier.com or call 416-703-3767 x 224

Out of The Cold: Organization providing food and clothing to homeless and isolated people –help to prepare and serve food in three-hour shifts Wednesday (approx 11am-2pm). St. Clement's Church Yonge & s of Lawrence 416-483-6664

SPRINT Senior People's Resources-North Toronto

Volunteers needed in the office and with Community Dining, Meals on Wheels, Friendly Visiting or Telephone Help programs. Call 416-481-6411 or email volunteer@SPRINT-homecare.ca

Providence Centre: Help in the gift shop/coffee shop/general store of home for the aged, chronic care and rehabilitation hospital. One-year commitment is required. Call 416-285-3749.

REENA: Work one-to-one with people who have developmental disabilities. Call Mille at 905-889-2690, ext. 21112

Revenue Canada Tax Helpers: Help individuals, seniors and families file their returns in March and April. 1-day training session. Call 416-469-5211.

Safe Neighbourhood Network: Help organize a wide range of youth programs, special events and workshops in south Riverdale. Call Susan Lewis at 416-463-0895.

Safehaven Project For Community Living: Help multi-handicapped children in group homes in Etobicoke, North York. Call 416.535.8525 ext. 225

St. John's Rehab Hospital

Volunteers run gift shop, lottery desk, visit patient rooms weekly with coffee, shopping and library carts,, provide staff support. 416-226-6780 ext. 7022. www.stjohnsrehab.com/careers/volunteers.aspx

Second Mile Club of Toronto: Volunteers needed for program for seniors downtown. Experience in mental health field an asset. Training provided. Commitment: 1-2 hours a week for at least 6 months. Call Cheryl, 416-597-0841, x225. secondmileclub.ca/home/

Shepherd Village: Long-term care centre seeks friendly volunteers to work with seniors, assisting with activities, meals, friendly visiting, daytime, evenings & weekends. Call volunteer coordinator, 416-609-5700.

Skylight Theatre: Volunteers needed for summer season. Earl Bales Park, Bathurst St. and Sheppard Ave., June 26 to Aug. 9. Call Shayna at 416-536-3127.

Spina Bifida And Hydrocephalus Association:

Volunteers needed to help with the 25th Anniversary Family Conference, Aug. 12 to 15. Call the Volunteer Centre, Toronto branch, at 416.961.6888.

Sprockets Film Festival For Children: Volunteers 17 and older are required for April festival. A minimum of two shifts is requested. Call 416-967-7371, ext 2220. tiff.net/abouttiff/getinvolved/volunteersprockets

TIFF *Toronto International Film Festival

TIFF needs volunteers year round with over 4000 events throughout the year. Work in almost all areas of this unique Toronto experience tiff.net/abouttiff/getinvolved/yearround

Toronto Grace Hospital: Interested in pursuing a career in health care or just want to help? Student Program has a variety of placements in Chronic and palliative care hospital (Bloor & Church St) Includes Pet Therapy, Garden program and Arts Therapy. Training is provided. Call volunteer resources, 416-925-2251, ext. 257. www.torontograce.org/s06/

Toronto – Historic Museums

Volunteers required for special events, cooking demonstrations, tour guides. Several Toronto historic homes (including Fort York, Spadina Museum, Gibson House, Todmorden Mills, Scarborough Museums www.toronto.ca/culture/museums/volunteers.htm

Toronto Environmental Volunteers

Focus on environmental issues: solid waste management (garbage, recycling & compostings), water efficiency, household hazardous waste, storm water management, energy efficiency & air quality 416-397-4838 www.toronto.ca/environment/volunteer.htm

Toronto Zoo

Call Volunteer Services at 416-392-5942 *Extremely popular – must apply many months in advance.. www.torontozoo.com/SupportTheZoo/BecomeAVolunteer.asp?pg=StudentVolunteers

Villa Colombo: Feeding assistants needed to help seniors in Dufferin and Lawrence area. Drivers with cars and helpers for palliative care program also needed. Call Volunteer Centre, North York branch, 416-631-6117. www.villacharities.com/

West Toronto Support Services: Agency caring for seniors living at home seeks volunteers who can give three hours twice a month to drive seniors to medical appointments. Mileage is reimbursed. Call 416-653-3535. wtss.org/

NOTES:

This brochure is designed to give you a taste of the many opportunities that are available. If you want to work on language skills, develop interesting skills as a volunteer, work, get experience in a unique field, or learn to be a stand-up comic – it might be possible - Just start early and apply, call, email, send in applications, or whatever is required.

The organizations, contacts and links were all checked and re-checked at the time of preparation – however weblinks, numbers, etc change without notice.

Some opportunities are available throughout the year – especially volunteering.

A note about dates: Organizations may set strict deadlines – others may set them but are still able to consider applications. Contact them via phone or email to find out. And if the dates have passed - make a note for next year and follow up early.

Earl Haig Guidance Department posts a new Guidance Bulletins online EVERY week. Each is filled with an amazing amount of information regarding scholarships, courses, jobs, volunteer opportunities, university and college visits, etc. that student's and family can (and should) access. The entire year's Bulletins are available online. This is a tremendous resource – take advantage of it. www.earlhaig.ca/guidance