



**Professional childcare
Exciting programming
Restaurant discounts
Make your escape!**

Kids can escape to fun activities, including outings, cooking, theme nights, and movie nights—dinner provided!

Parents can escape to do whatever parents do when their children are being looked after, and take advantage of 20% off your meal at participating local restaurants*

Sunday Escape is open to children aged 3 to 12 years old.

Every Sunday Escape offers two sessions:

- Session 1 – from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm (includes a snack) \$20 per child
- Session 2 – from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm (includes a meal and a snack) \$25 per child
- Both sessions combined for \$40 (\$5 sibling discount per session)

Registration deadline is 5:00 pm on the Friday prior to the program

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre provides safe, high quality childcare tailored to your child's interests and needs. For more information visit www.ralphthornton.org, contact info@ralphthornton.org, or call 416 392-6810.

* Excludes alcohol and tips.

Participating restaurants/businesses include :

* AAA Bar * Il Ponte * Peasant Table * I'll Be Seeing You * Smash Ping Pong Lounge * Tabule *

September 10 - "Staycation"
September 17 - "Party Under the Sea"
September 24 - "Pajama Party Campout"

August 28, 2017

After School Program Returns to RTCC!

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre is pleased to announce the full return of After School Programming to RTCC. This fall, we will offer a regular after school program, Monday-Friday 3-6 PM, with a 'safe walk' from Morse Street Public School. This program starts on Tuesday, September 5. Limited spaces are still available - for more information, contact info@ralphthornton.org or call 416-392-6810. We will also be offering PA Day and March Break programs.

For the past two years, RTCC has partnered with Eastview Neighborhood Community Centre to offer after school programming at the Centre. We have been most grateful to Eastview for the support they have provided to enable us to offer programming at RTCC, and as we have transitioned back to full management of the program. Many thanks!

For more information about RTCC's after school programs, go to <http://www.ralphthornton.org/programs/after-school-program/>.

**Community Response Meeting on Graphic Anti-
Abortion Flyers - 7 PM Thursday, August 31**

Recently, there have been very graphic anti-abortion flyers being distributed by the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform (CCBER). Many residents have been deeply concerned by these flyers.

Last week Toronto-Danforth MPP Peter Tabuns, Councillor Paula Fletcher (Ward 30), Councillor Mary Fragedakis (Ward 29) and TDSB Trustee Jennifer Story sent a letter to the Attorney General asking the Wynne government for an injunction to block the use of disturbing images being distributed in our area by this anti-abortion group.. You can read the letter and sign the petition here: www.petertabuns.ca/anti-abortion-injunction

This Thursday, our MPP, City Councillors and TDSB Trustee are hosting a meeting so we can all talk about the issue. Carolyn Egan from the Ontario Coalition for Abortion Clinics will be attending.

When: Thursday, August 31, 2017, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Ralph Thornton Community Centre (765 Queen St. E), 3rd Floor

At the meeting we can discuss how we can best support getting this injunction and other ideas you may have. It is important for us to send a strong community response. By taking action together, we can protect children and adults who would be traumatized by distribution or display of these images in our community. All are welcome to attend.



Ralph Thornton Community Centre Hours
Monday to Sunday
9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Office and Exchange Loft Hours

Monday to Wednesday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
Thursday to Sunday 9:30 am - 8:30 pm

Phone 416-392-6810 Fax 416-392-0025

info@ralphthornton.org

Our spaces can be rented for your meetings, special events, activities or workshops.

Please note that the Ralph Thornton Community Centre will be CLOSED Monday September 4 for Labour Day.

Queen Sault Library
416-393-7723

Hours:

Monday Closed
Tuesday: 12:30 - 8:30
Wednesday: 10:00 - 6:00
Thursday: 12:30 - 8:30
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00
Saturday: 9:00 - 5:00
Sunday: Closed

South Riverdale Child-Parent Centre
416-469-3776

Hours

Monday: 9:00 - 1:30
Tuesday: 1:00 - 5:30
Wednesday: Workshops (pre-registration required)
Thursday: 9:00 - 1:30
Friday: 9:00 - 1:30

Welcome April Domingo!

We are pleased to welcome April Domingo as a staff person in the after school program. April began working in Children's Programming at Ralph Thornton Community Centre in March 2017. She graduated from the University of Toronto's Master of Social Work program, with a specialization in Children and Families and diverse experiences in arts-based community programming, case management, and trauma-informed practice. To recognize her extracurricular involvement throughout her MSW education, she was awarded the Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Award and Benjamin Schlesinger Student Leadership Prize by the University. Currently, April brings her passion for visual art in her work with the Children's Program Team at RTCC to engage children in creative thinking, learning, and expression.

Welcome, April!



Upcoming Events

August 31 - Community Meeting re Anti-Abortion Flyers
September 4 - RTCC Closed for Labour Day Holiday
September 5 - RTCC After School Program Begins (Registration still available)
September 16 - Councillor Fletcher Environment Day (Jack Layton Way)
September 16 - Plant Walk in Riverside
September 19 - Building to Save the Planet
September 27 - RTCC Board Meeting



Walk. Run. Jog.

Join "Team RTCC!"

Join the Ralph Thornton Community Centre & Toronto Neighbourhood Centres Team for the Scotiabank Waterfront Marathon Charity Challenge (Marathon, Half-Marathon, or 5K Walk/Run)

To help raise funds for the Ralph Thornton Community Centre

As a "Team RTCC" member, you

- Help raise money for a great community organization, AND get FREE or discounted race registration
- Have the chance to win great prizes including running gear
- Can take advantage of great training and motivational opportunities

RTCC will even pay for your race registration (some restrictions apply!). To register, or for more information, contact Sajida at: 416-392-6810 or at sajidak@ralphthornton.org, or speak to RTCC Reception

Scotiabank TORONTO WATERFRONT MARATHON

RALPH THORNTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Toronto Neighbourhood Centres

Run with Ralph!

On Sunday, October 22nd, join "Team Ralph" and run the Scotiabank Waterfront Marathon, Half-Marathon, or 5K walk/run as part of the Toronto Neighbourhood Centres contingent in the race. Last year, our team raised over \$2,000 to support children's programming at RTCC - this year we hope to do even better! To register, or to sponsor one of our runners, contact RTCC Reception or Sajida Kadri at sajidak@ralphthornton.org or 416-392-6810. You can also find the registration form here <http://www.ralphthornton.org/scotiabank-toronto-waterfront-marathon/>.

And if you can't run, you can volunteer!

RTCC is excited to be hosting the 'water station' at Morse St. and Eastern Avenue for the marathon, along with our Toronto Neighbourhood Centres partners. If you're able to help out sometime between 8:30 AM and 3 PM on October 22nd, please contact Sajida at sajidak@ralphthornton.org or 416-392-6810. We're looking for lots of volunteers, so please help us make this a success for the Centre - and to support the runners!

Labour Day - RTCC Closed September 4

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre will be closed on Monday, September 4, for the Labour Day statutory holiday. RTCC is proud that our non-management staff are represented by CUPE Local 2998, and join them in celebrating the significant accomplishments of the trade union movement over the past year, and over more than a century of successful organizing to improve the lives of working people across Canada.



Welcome Cedric, our new Exchange Loft volunteer

Hi! My name is Cedric. I'm born and raised in Toronto and I currently work as a Senior Manager at Deloitte, an accounting firm. I have lots of experience with computers, resumes and interviewing and I would be happy to help you or to find a way to help. In my spare time, I love to travel and read the news.



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Plant Walk in Riverside



Take a walk through the Riverside neighbourhood with local herbalist **Danette Steele**. Meet at the doors of the Queen/Saulter Library. This walk will have a leisurely pace and will take place rain or shine. Warm herbal teas provided - please bring your own travel mug.

Register in person or call 416-393-7723

Saturday Sept. 16th
11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Queen/Saulter Library
765 Queen Street East
416-393-7723

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OUR FRAGILE PLANET

Building to Save the Planet



Come hear about Canada's Greenest Home with green builder **Lorna Storey**. She will show how we can approach new construction and renovations to reduce energy costs, increase home comfort and save the planet!

Register in person or call 416-393-7723

Tuesday Sept. 19th
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Queen/Saulter Library
765 Queen Street East
416-393-7723



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