

DETAILS & RSVP
riverside-TO.com

Tues
April 2ND

Craft Beer Talk
& Tasting

*FREE

Wed
April 3RD

Flight Night

Prix Fixe

Thurs
April 4TH

Tasting Night
Market

*FREE

Apr 2ND
TO April 5TH

Wine & Craft Beer
Pairing Dinners

Prix Fixe

Sat
April 6TH

Wine & Craft Beer
EXPO

*FREE tastings, talks & demos

- Pop-up Food
- Silent auction

* \$5-10 suggested donation in support of



RALPH THORNTON
COMMUNITY CENTRE

March 25, 2019

Update

www.RalphThornton.org



Ralph Thornton Community Centre
Monday to Sunday
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Office and Exchange Loft Hours

Monday to Sunday
9:30 AM - 8:30 PM

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre's third floor Computer Room is open as the Lewis Pearsall Exchange Loft. We have computers, fax, photocopying and phone.

416-392-6810 info@ralphthornton.org

RTCC will be closed on April 19 and 22 for Easter.

Queen/Saulter Library
416-393-7723

Hours:

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

South Riverdale Child-Parent Centre
(Closed July 11—August 8)
416-469-3776

Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Tuesday: 1:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Wednesday: Workshops
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Sunday: Closed

Festive Times at RTCC!

Riverside Beer and Wine Festival begins and ends at RTCC!

The week of April 2-6 is the Riverside Craft Beer and Wine Expo. There are lots of activities all week, beginning Tuesday with a 'Wine Talk' sponsored by the Queen/Saulter branch of Toronto Public Library, and culminating in the Wine Expo on Saturday afternoon at RTCC. Most events are free, with donations supporting children's programming at RTCC. For tickets and more information, go to riverside-TO.com

Streetcar Developments Returns as Platinum Sponsor for "Game of Thorntons" on May 11!

We are delighted that Streetcar Developments is returning as the Platinum Sponsor for "Game of Thorntons." This is Streetcar's third year as lead sponsor for RTCC's gala fund-raiser (details inside).

Deeply committed to helping local communities thrive, Streetcar engages in exciting arts, culture and charitable programs throughout the city. Streetcar regularly supports and partners with local community events and organizations. We are most grateful for their continued support.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. They are now available online at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/game-of-thorntons-tickets-57954099271?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>, and at RTCC Reception.

Caribbean Street Food Festival a Scrumptious Success!

It was "eating room only" at the Caribbean Street Food Festival on March 16 - hundreds of people enjoyed the wide variety of food and other items on sale at this jam-packed celebration of everything Caribbean!



Do you know someone who has made the Riverdale community a better place?

NOMINATIONS WANTED

2019 RTCC COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARDS

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: APRIL 26, 2019

ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS IN THREE CATEGORIES

- Contribution to RTCC Governance
- Partnership with RTCC
- Contributions to Community Betterment



Find out more information by visiting www.ralphthornton.org or calling 416 392-6810



FREE TENANTS RIGHTS WORKSHOP



WHEN: Thursday, March 28th, 2019
from 1:30pm to 3:30pm

WHERE: Ralph Thornton

Included Topics:
-Finding Housing
-Discrimination
-Leases
-Rent
-Repairs
-Privacy
-Ending Tenancy
-Evictions & MORE

765 Queen St. East, Toronto, ON M4M 1H3
For more information contact: 416-392-6810 x222
Tues-Thurs

Nominations now open for the 2019 RTCC Community Volunteer Awards

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre is now accepting nominations for the 2019 RTCC Community Volunteers Awards. These awards are intended to recognize community members for outstanding contribution to the community and to the Ralph Thornton Community Centre. There are three categories for the RTCC Community Volunteer Awards. The deadline to submit a nomination is **Tuesday, April 30, 2019**. Find out more information on how to nominate someone on our website.

RTCC Tax Filer Clinic - Extended by popular demand!

This spring, our tax clinic returned with expanded hours and more volunteers providing one-on-one assistance to help people file their 2018 taxes. The clinic was scheduled to operate Wednesday to Saturday throughout the month of March, but we are extending the clinic by one week, to run from April 3 to 6 inclusive.

Appointments are available in English, Cantonese, and Mandarin. For more information, visit the RTCC website and to book appointments, call 416 392-6810.

RTCC Offers Free Tenants Rights Workshop

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre is pleased to collaborate with the Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations to offer a free Tenants Rights workshop on Thursday, March 28, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM at RTCC. At a time when skyrocketing rents and erosion of tenant rights are making life harder and harder for tenants, it's more important than ever to know what your rights and protections are.

COMING EVENTS AT RTCC

- March 27 - RTCC Board of Management
- April 5 - Nominations close for RTCC Board of Management
- April 6 - Craft Beer and Wine Expo
- April 19 - RTCC closed for Good Friday
- April 22 - RTCC closed for Easter Monday
- April 25 - Democracy FUNdamentals course begins at RTCC
- April 24 - RTCC Board of Management
- April 30 - Nominations close for RTCC Community Volunteer Award
- May 4 - SRCPC Stroller-a-thon
- May 11 - "Game of Thorntons" at RTCC

"RTCC Wants You!"

New Board of Management Members Needed

Come join the Ralph Thornton Community Centre's Board of Management! RTCC is a gathering place that welcomes, connects and engages the community in all its diversity. The board is responsible for the overall management, operation and maintenance of the centre.

We especially encourage candidates with interest and/or experience in fundraising, marketing, evaluation, financial stewardship or community outreach. Familiarity with Chinese cultures and language and/or marginalized communities would be an asset. Six two-year terms and a one-year term are currently available.

The board is friendly, accessible and consensual, and promotes building the capacities of its members and the community.

Are you interested in:

- Equity, diversity and accessibility?
- Representing diverse aspects of our community and the larger city?
- Conscientiously contributing your time & energy?
- Bringing integrity, dependability, skills and fresh ideas to the board and its committees?

Board members commit to:

- Becoming an RTCC member (cost \$10 or less per year);
- Serving for up to a two-year term;
- Participating on committees and working groups in addition to the Board;
- Spending 10 - 12 hours a month on the Board & two committee meetings plus related activities.
- Board and committee meetings are conducted in English.

Prospective candidates will:

- Answer a short questionnaire about their interests & contributions;
- Be interviewed by the Nominations Sub committee members;
- Be invited to attend an RTCC Board meeting as an observer and/or participate in a Board committee to become familiar with our processes.

You are invited to complete a brief questionnaire <https://www.ralphthornton.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Candidate-Questionnaire-2019.pdf> and e-mail it to the Nominations Committee by Friday April 5, 2019.



SILENT AUCTION, MUSIC, PIES AND ALES, CASH BAR AND MORE...

SAT, MAY 11
7:10:30 PM

"Game of Thorntons" will raise funds for the RTCC's children's program.

ADVANCE TICKETS \$15 | AT THE DOOR \$20
PURCHASE YOURS NOW!

For tickets or more information, contact:
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www.ralphthornton.org



"Winter has ended" and the great Houses of Riverside - the Boultons, The Saulters, The Clarks, The Levises, the McGees, the Grants, and the DeGrassis - are gathering at Thornton Castle to divide the spoils, to determine who will get to sit on the Copper Throne, and to win possession of the legendary Thornton Jewel - a diamond circled sapphire, worth a Queen's ransom (appraised value over €!@ * * *)

Many treasures will be available for the highest bidder (there is no truth to the rumour that the lowest bidder will be forced to march through the streets, subject to the abuse of the entire city - we save that for our elected officials!)

Unlock your treasury, and acquire the finest art, jewelry, food and drink, and much more to take back to your own abode!

On May 11, all roads lead to Thornton Castle, where Kings, Queens, and commoners alike will quaff the finest brews from the Eastbound and Sautler breweries, sample rare vintages from the Counties of Niagara, Prince Edward, and lands beyond the seas.

Feast on delicious sweets transported, at enormous peril, across the mighty Don River from famed bakers Daniel et Daniel in distant Cab-bagetown, and sample wild boar, gamebirds, and other delights from the renowned ovens of Il Ponte.

Portrait takers will be on hand to capture this event, so all will be dressed in their most regal finery - and 'borrowed plumes' will be available for commoners who wish to look the part.

There will be dragons, direwolves, lords, ladies, knights, and commoners - sharing the quest for the Thornton Jewel and the other baubles to be had at the "Game of Thorntons." Tickets also available online at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/game-of-thorntons-tickets-58810008318>.

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre Update is published every two weeks, and is available online and in print at RTCC, with periodic broader community distribution. To subscribe to the online version, please email info@ralphthornton.org or call (416) 392-6810. You can also follow us on Twitter @ralphthornton, or on Facebook at [RalphThorntonCommunityCentre](https://www.facebook.com/RalphThorntonCommunityCentre). Our website is www.ralphthornton.org.