



Ralph Thornton Community Centre
765 Queen Street East, M4M 1H3

Monday to Sunday
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Office and Exchange Loft Hours

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9:30 AM - 8:30 PM

The Ralph Thornton Community Centre's third floor Computer Room is open as the Lewis Pearsall Exchange Loft.

416-392-6810 info@ralphthornton.org

RTCC will be closed on February 17 for Family Day

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
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

FIXING FUN FOR KIDS - 'STUFFY' HOSPITAL and TOY REPAIR!

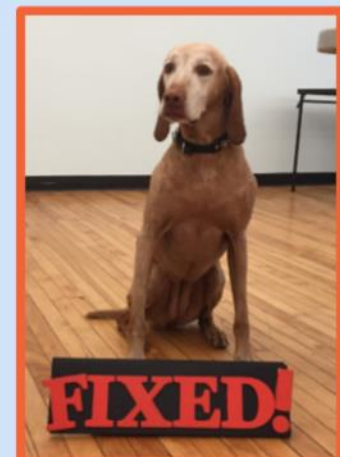
Bring your broken stuffed animal & other toys for a fix.
Learn how it's done.

Wrap your hands and heads around the tools at the take-apart table!

Saturday, February 1,
12:00 to 3:00 PM
2nd Floor Auditorium
Ralph Thornton
Community Centre
765 Queen Street East.



AND... TOY DRIVE!
Donate or bring your outgrown, gently used toys to swap for 'new' ones. We'll ensure any toys remaining will go to a good home!



We're always Looking for Fixers!
Volunteers who enjoy fixing household items - all are welcome!



January 20, 2020

RTCC welcomes the 'Year of the Rat' with repair and renovations!

On February 1, the great folks from "Repair Café" return to RTCC with a 'children's toy hospital' and toy exchange—lots of fun activities for kids! On February 8, RTCC joins a variety of community organizations at Gerrard Square for the East Toronto Lunar New Year Community Fair.

We've also refinished our second floor floors (no more dancers catching their stiletto heels in the hardwood!) and repainted much of our space. Drop by and check out our new look!

EAST TORONTO LUNAR NEW YEAR COMMUNITY FAIR

東區社區
新春
聯歡會



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020


12pm - 2pm Stage Performances
11am - 2pm Community Information Displays
Gerrard Square 1000 Gerrard St E (2/F)

2020年2月08日 (星期六)


下午12時至下午2時表演
上午11時至下午2時社區資訊展覽
芝蘭商場：芝蘭東街1000號(二樓)

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RALPH THORNTON
COMMUNITY CENTRE



The Mixed Media Art of
Aqsah Shah

Saulter Street Stairwell Gallery
South Stairwell—Access from Second and Third Floors
Ralph Thornton Community Centre
765 Queen Street East
www.RalphThornton.org

JANUARY 11
to
FEBRUARY 23
2020

Free Admission 9 AM to 9 PM

Aqsah Shah at the Saulter Street Gallery

Aqsah Shah is a Visual Artist. Born in Toronto, she acquired her BFA degree from Beaconhouse National University in Lahore, Pakistan, before returning to Toronto where she is currently based to pursue a career in art.

Her work takes inspiration from the impact of dreams on human reality and vice versa. The unification between the dreamscape and real life in her work is shown predominantly through subaquatic symbols and void-like imagery.

Aqsah's work allows her an imaginative outlook on everyday objects or scenarios and invites viewers to glimpse an inconceivable perspective to something otherwise regular.

"My art involves superimposing uncanny images onto ordinary settings, creating a dream-like, surreal outcome.

I like to place emphasis on the female body, pertaining to my own experiences with things like birth and miscarriage, and what they mean to me, and what they might mean to someone else.

I feel like even the smallest of differences between our experiences with life shape the way we perceive certain realities, and as a result, create who we continue to become, which is why I like to pull out random images from my memory and include them in my work. I'm often moving between splashes of bright and dull colours in order to offer a contrast between the different realities, as well as to highlight the sense of absurdity in my work."

Join us for


Baby Love

Fostering Secure Attachment

Baby Love is an attachment-based program for parents and caregivers of children from 0-8 months. Caregivers will learn about their babies' minds, learn how to help their babies feel secure, and learn how to help their babies deal with stress. Babies who are secure have better relationships, learn better in school, have better physical and mental health.

EVERY THURSDAY
MARCH 5TH - APRIL 23RD
1:30-2:30PM
8 WEEKS

If you are interested in signing up speak to staff at SRCPC
@ 416 469-3776 or email info@srcpc.org
(limited spaces!)

RALPH THORNTON
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PA DAY FUN

Don't miss out on a fun day at
Ralph Thornton Community Centre!
Healthy Lunch & 2 Healthy Snacks are provided
Hours of Operation 8:30 am to 6:00 pm
Cost: \$70

Friday Feb 14th 2020
A day of "LOVE"
Cooking & Baking, Outdoor Fun and Crafts!
Limited spots first come first serve
Deadline for registrations Monday Feb 10th

For more information contact:
Lainey Little, Children & Youth Program Coordinator
416-392-6810 ext. 233
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We cordially invite you to our annual Lunar New Year celebration. Come for live entertainment, community booths, a lion dance, as well as multicultural dance and music!

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(星期六)

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誠意邀請您參加我們的週年新春聯歡會。節目有社區資訊展覽，醒獅及多元文化歌舞表演。

COMING UP AT RTCC

January 22 - RTCC Board of Management
January 22 - SRCPC Lunar New Year celebration and parade
February 1 - Repair Cafe "Stuffy Hospital" and Children's Activities at RTCC
February 14 - PA Day Camp at RTCC
February 14 - RTCC's 39th Birthday (really! No gifts, please...)
February 17 - RTCC Closed for Family Day
February 22 - "Coldest Night" Walk
February 26 - RTCC Board of Management

RTCC Gets a (partial) Facelift!

While RTCC was closed for the holidays, the "painting elves" came in and repainted the remainder of the ground floor lobby and ceiling (look waaaay up!), and the Saulter Street Stairwell gallery (don't worry...they didn't paint over the "jungle" mural!). They also repainted the third floor hallway in the Centre's 'official' colour scheme. The "floor elves" also repaired and refinished the wood floors on the second floor (ensuring a safer and more enjoyable experience for everyone, particularly dance groups that use the space). Thanks to everyone for their patience as we had to close off the entire second floor for a week while refinishing took place.