



CREATIVE SPIRIT ARTS FESTIVAL

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
THURSDAY OCTOBER 21, 2010

10:30 – 11:00

Registration & Refreshments

11:00 – 11:30 Presentation

Ellen Anderson, Founder & Executive Director Creative Spirit Art Centre
Toronto, Ontario www.creativespirit.on.ca

- Elle Anderson has always been passionate about community issues. In the past she has been a leader in daycare and women's safety issues in Toronto. She founded Creative Spirit Art Centre in 1992 and has since been serving the needs of artists with disabilities in the GTA.

11:30 – 12:00 Presentation

Michael Seary, Director Creative Spirit East
Halifax, Nova Scotia www.veithstreetgallery.org

- Michael Seary is a long time advocate for people with disabilities. He founded Arts Carousel in Toronto, an accessible arts organization which evolved to provide attendant care. Michael was instrumental in the development of the TTC's Wheeltrans program and is a co-founder of Creative Spirit Art Centres in Toronto and Halifax.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch by Vert Catering

1:00 – 1:30 Presentation

Isabel Fryszberg, Creative Works Studio
Toronto, Ontario www.creativeworks-studio.ca

- Creative Works Studio offers healing and recovery through creative arts. Their studio provides an oasis from the daily rigours and challenges of life for people living with a mental illness. Isabel has pioneered this program at St Michael's Hospital in Toronto as a visionary leader and occupational therapist.

1:30 – 2:00 Presentation

Katherine Porter, Executive Director H'art Studio of Smiles
Kingston, Ontario www.kingston.org/hartstudio

- Since 1998, H'art School of Smiles has been committed to helping adults with intellectual disabilities reach their highest potential through arts and education. H'art believes that inclusive post secondary education provides a natural pathway into adulthood. In 2003, H'art began working with Queen's University to provide such a path for adults with intellectual disabilities with great success.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FRIDAY OCTOBER 22, 2010

10:30 – 11:00

Registration & Refreshments

11:00 – 11:30 Presentation

Rose Jacobson, Project Manager & Artistic Principal Picasso PRO
Toronto, Ontario www.picassopro.org

- Picasso PRO was formed to facilitate genuine opportunity and integration for artists with disabilities and Deaf artists in the performing and media arts. It springs from the passionate conviction that artists with disabilities and Deaf artists belong on Ontario and Canada's stages and screens, among our audiences, professional staffs, teachers and cultural leaders.

11:30 – 12:00 Presentation

Teresa Peñafiel, Marketing and Promotions Director Multi-Ethnic Association for the Integration of Persons with Disabilities
Montreal, Québec www.ameiph.com

- The association's founding philosophy aims at full participation and integration into society, for all people, on all levels. Their approach reflects this philosophy when carrying out activities and organising services.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch by Vert Catering

1:00 – 1:30 Presentation

Izabella Lipowski, Community Support Worker Corbrook
Scarborough, Ontario www.corbrook.net

- Corbrook develops and provides opportunities for meaningful work and personal development for persons with high levels of disability.

1:30 – 2:00 Presentation

Gabriella Caruso and Patricia Chang, Community Artist & Co-facilitator
Red Pepper Spectacle & York Community Services
Toronto, Ontario redpepperspectacle.wordpress.com

- For over 20 years community artist Gabriella Caruso has worked independently and in collaboration with numerous organizations towards accessibility in the arts. With six Dora nominations and one win plus international acclaim for her multi-disciplinary work, it had long been her desire to focus her extensive professional experience and creative resources on an inclusive cultural practice.

2:00 – 2:30 Presentation

Alan Shain, Comedian, Playwright and Disability Advocate
Ottawa, Ontario www.magma.ca/~rickcurrie/shain

- Alan Shain is a multidisciplinary performance artist working in theatre, dance, storytelling and stand-up comedy – all specific to the representation of the lived experience of disability. Alan has also contributed extensively to research and advocacy around disability and performance. He sees himself as a disability activist who uses the arts to affect social equality and change.



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SATURDAY OCTOBER 23, 2010

11:00 – 11:30

Registration & Refreshments

11:30 – 12:00 Presentation

Renata Soutter and Shara Weaver, Co-Executive & Artistic Directors Propeller Dance
Ottawa, Ontario www.propellerdance.com

- Unique, inspirational, professional, Propeller Dance provides dance programming to people with and without disability. Their programs are inclusive, fostering an integrated approach to dance and art-making, education and community development.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch by Vert Catering

1:00 – 1:30 Performance

Roger Knox, Poet, Composer, Music Educator
Toronto, Ontario

- Roger Knox is a Toronto composer, poet, reviewer and music educator/researcher. He has received composition commissions from The Canada Council and Ontario Arts Council, taught at McMaster University and Douglas College, and worked as music researcher at Bloorview Kids Rehab. He has been known to play the blues harp past midnight.

1:45 – 2:45 Performance

Alan Shain, Comedian and Disabilities Advocate
Ottawa, Ontario

- Alan Shain's disability is obvious and his comedy is unique. A hysterical rebuff at public attitudes, Alan attempts to answer burning questions such as "Are all wheelchair people related to each other?", "Do wheelchair people go to the bathroom?" or "Do they ever think about sex?" You'll probably learn just a little bit more from Alan than you really wanted to know.

3:00 – 3:30 Performance

Odradek and Meiko Ando
Toronto, Ontario

- Odradek is Toronto based trio of improvising multi-instrumentalists who have been playing together for more than 5 years. They are Andy Yue, James Bailey and Michelangelo Iaffaldano. They will present a performance developed in collaboration with independent Butoh dancer, artist and choreographer, Meiko Ando.



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DIRECTIONS
OCTOBER 21 – 23, 2010

All events will take place at Creative Spirit Art Centre, 999 Dovercourt Road in Toronto.

Fast facts

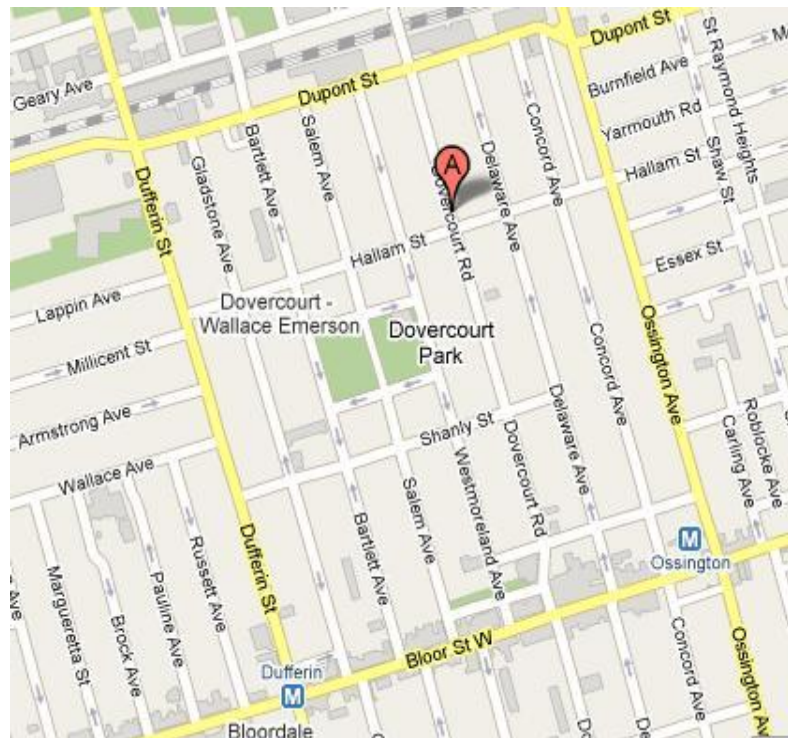
Closest subway: Ossington Station on the Bloor/Danforth line
Closest bus routes: #63 Ossington or #161 Rogers Road
Closest intersection: Hallam Street
Closest coffee fix: Hub Cafe (at Yarmouth & Shaw), Progress Bakery (at Dovercourt & Hallam)

Coming from the North or East:

- Follow Highway 401 Westbound
- Take Allen Road South Exit
- Follow Allen Road South
- Turn right onto Eglinton Avenue West
- Turn left onto Dufferin Street South
- Follow Dufferin Street South
- Turn left onto Dupont Street
- Turn right onto Dovercourt Road
- Creative Spirit Art Centre will be on your left just north of Hallam Street

Coming from the South or West:

- Follow Highway 401 Eastbound
- Take Dufferin Street South Exit
- Follow Dufferin Street South
- Turn left onto Dupont Street
- Turn right onto Dovercourt Road
- Creative Spirit Art Centre will be on your left just north of Hallam Street



Coming from Union Station:

- Follow the signs in Union Station to TTC Subway
- Take the subway Northbound via University Avenue headed towards Downsview on the University/Yonge Line
- Transfer to the Bloor/Danforth Line at St George headed towards Kipling
- Get off at Ossington Station
- Transfer to the 63 Ossington Bus Northbound
- Get off the bus at Hallam Street and walk three blocks West to Dovercourt Road
- Creative Spirit Art Centre is on the North East corner of the intersection



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TIRED? HUNGRY?

WHERE TO SLEEP AND EAT IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

OCTOBER 21 – 23, 2010

SLEEPING

Feathers Bed & Breakfast

132 Wells Street

416-534-1923

Markham House B&B

784 Markham Street

416-535-0006

EATING

NAZARETH

969 Bloor Street West (just east of Dovercourt)

Ethiopian food in enormous portions, bring a friend

DISGRACELAND

965 Bloor Street West (just east of Dovercourt)

Elvis-themed bar serving burgers etc.

BANJARA

796 Bloor Street West (at Crawford)

Great Indian food

MEXITACO

828 Bloor Street West (at Shaw)

Cheap and cheerful Mexican food

FRESH

326 Bloor Street West (at Spadina)

Super tasty vegetarian and vegan options