

Hi Neighbour!

Peoples Day, a time to celebrate the rich heritage, resilience, and contributions of Indigenous peoples across Canada. Let us reflect on the Indigenous community's profound cultural legacy and commit to fostering understanding and respect.

Summer has arrived and so has a lively calendar of opportunities to connect!

Happy National Indigenous Peoples Day! Today marks National Indigenous

TONIGHT there will be LIVE JAZZ at Mel Lastman Square from 6:30 - 9:30pm along with a food and cultural market. See below for details of this WEEKEND LONG Playfest!

Community Centre Open Houses that are happening. Mitchell Field Community Centre - Monday, June 24, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Goulding Community Centre - Tuesday, June 25, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

I hope to see you **NEXT WEEK** - Monday, Tuesday AND Wednesday at the

Edithvale Community Centre - Wednesday, June 26, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM This is your opportunity to share your ideas and feedback. What programs

would you like to see offered? How can current programming be improved? Join us for an evening of drop-in fun including: Open Gym

- Family Zumba (5:45pm, 6:30pm and 7:15pm at all locations)
- Arts & Crafts
- Pre-School Drop In
- CampTO Information for Registered Participants
- FREE Refreshments

the most of our community centres and to further strengthen their role as hubs in our neighbourhood. Please RSVP: www.lilycheng.ca/events I hope to see you come out for this important opportunity to shape the future of

Come out and SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND FEEDBACK on how we can make

our community centres together. Please FILL OUT THIS IMPORTANT SURVEY: www.bit.ly/WillowdaleCCFeedback before or after the open house, even if you can't attend.

Mel Lastman Square will be fully animated this weekend **STARTING TONIGHT!**

PLAY Taiwan Music & Food Fest incl. Pride Night Market

with delicious food and live jazz music (Friday night) along with the Sunday a+ love Music Festival from 3 - 9:30pm featuring artists flown in from Taiwan as an extension to a much-celebrated festival in Taiwan in response to World AIDS Day where love and acceptance for all is celebrated. **CLICK HERE** to register to receive a Guide and Coupon Book. June 21 (Friday) - 'PLAY Jazz Night' with a performance by local Jazz band

Metro Big Band June 22 (Saturday) - Opening Ceremony and 'PLAY Movie Theatre' screening

of Taiwanese classic movie, 'Cape No. 7'

Skin, HUSH, Wan Fang, Guo Hongqi, Huang Yunling, and George Chen. With 6 hours of uninterrupted performances, it's definitely a music festival not to be missed this year. **Friday Night Schedule**

2 - 9:30 p.m. PLAY Taiwan Market - Gorgeous Taiwanese Foods & PLAY Art,

June 23 (Sunday) - 'a+ love Music Festival' featuring a lineup of top Taiwanese award-winning singers and musicians, including Crispy, Hong Pei-yu, Dinosaur's

5 - 9:30 p.m. PLAY Art, Craft, Creativity and Cultural Market

Saturday Schedule

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. PLAY DJ Set Performance & Dancefloor 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. PLAY Jazz Night

5 - 9:30 p.m. PLAY Taiwan Market - Taiwanese Foods

Craft, Creativity and Cultural Market 5 - 6:30 p.m. PLAY DJ Set Performance & Dancefloor

7:30 - 9:40 p.m. PLAY Movie Theatre - Cape No.7 by TFFT

2 - 9:30 p.m. PLAY Taiwan Market - Gorgeous Taiwanese Foods & PLAY Art,

6 - 7:30 p.m. PLAY Taiwan Music & Food Fest - Opening Ceremony

Sunday Schedule

additional yard sales across the community!

Craft, Creativity and Cultural Market

2 - 3:00 p.m. PLAY DJ Set Performance & Dancefloor 3 - 9:30 p.m. a+ love Music Festival - Toronto with artists from Taiwan! Taiwan made history as the first nation in Asia to legalize same-sex marriage. The Taiwanese community is celebrating this milestone by hosting the Taiwan Playfest Culture and Food Festival along with the a+ Love Music Festival. Come

inviting everyone to discover unique treasures. This Taiwanese Music and Food Fest is Toronto's inaugural music-focused festival featuring trending musicians from Taiwan who champion and embrace Pride culture. All are welcome! **WILLOWDALE YARD SALE DAY** NeighbourLink North York's Willowdale Yard Sale Day is THIS SATURDAY, June 22nd from 9am-12pm! This is your opportunity to shop 75+ yard sales across the neighbourhood! 50 of them will be side by side at the Yard Sale Market at Spring Garden Church (112 Spring Garden Avenue) along with 25

on out and experience Taiwanese arts, crafts, and delicious cuisine to promote equity, inclusion, and diversity. The market will be a vibrant and inclusive space

Church, along with Starbucks' coffee, iced tea, a musical instrument petting zoo, crafts, and much more! Please bring a non-perishable food item and support NeighbourLink's food bank! Check out the yard sale map to see all the locations, hours, and information

about what items will be sold! See it here www.neighbourlink.org/yardsale

The market will also include a free pancake breakfast thanks to Spring Garden

This event only comes around once a year so don't miss it! If it rains the market will move inside. I hope to see you at any or all of the following in the coming days! PLAY Taiwan Music & Food Fest

• One of the Community Centre Open Houses next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

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NeighbourLink Yard Sale Day

Click On The Links Below or Scroll Down To Learn More About:

Councillor Lily Cheng

Have a wonderful weekend!

Warmly,

~ COUNCILLOR UPDATES

 Community Centre Open House Willowdale Community Events Print Out • Willowdale Fun Day

Ward 18 Willowdale / Councillor Cheng@toronto.ca / 416-392-0210

- Meeting with the Korean GTA Senior Table Tennis Association Volunteer Call for Gardeners and Lovers of Gardens!
- Canada Day Celebration • Construction Notice: Hoist HVAC Upgrade Equipment
- ~ CITY OF TORONTO UPDATES
- ReNew Sheppard Avenue East
 - West Nile Virus Precautions Help Improve the City's Community Recreation Registration Process

• North York Farmer's Market

- Housing Action Plan: Upcoming Public Consultations
- Willowdale Yard Sale Day

Meet Your Neighbour Week

Nourish a Neighbour

~ COMMUNITY UPDATES

- What is Your Vision for City Parks?
- <u>Turkuaz Multicultural Festival</u>
- Beyond Our Roots Festival at Lee Lifeson Art Park
- Book Launch for Awaken Your Truth: The Time is Now
- Community Health and Information Fair

COUNCILLOR UPDATES



COMMUNITY CENTRE OPEN HOUSE

Hey Willowdale! Help shape the future of our community centres!

Join us NEXT WEEK at Open Houses at Mitchell Field CC, Goulding CC, and Edithvale CC to share your ideas and feedback, discover exciting summer programs, get active with family Zumba, and enjoy art and crafts!

us build a brighter future for our community centres in Willowdale!

Don't miss out on FREE FUN AND REFRESHMENTS! Your attendance will help

RSVP NOW by visiting https://www.lilycheng.ca/events.



Get ready for a summer of excitement in Willowdale! Looking for fun in the sun? Look no further! We've got all the hottest events lined up for you this summer. From fun fairs to outdoor movie nights, there's something for everyone.

WILLOWDALE COMMUNITY EVENTS PRINT OUT

Print out our UPDATED flyer to stay in the loop with all the can't-miss events happening in Willowdale this summer! Print Here!



Sunnyside Up Camp, which brought vibrant activities to our park and Spring

Garden Church, leaving lasting memories for many families. This event highlights the potential of our neighborhood parks to serve as vibrant hubs where community groups and local businesses can come together to plan events that benefit everyone. We encourage more groups to explore the use of our parks to create engaging community experiences.



MEETING WITH THE KOREAN GTA SENIOR TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

The GTA Senior Table Tennis Association (STTA) hosted a Korean BBQ and Picnic at Earl Bales park last week. With beautiful weather, amazing Korean food and welcoming members of the STTA, it was a wonderful gathering. There was even a fun time of dancing to Korean folk songs! The GTA STTA are a group of dedicated seniors. Many of them are Willowdalers and play at Mitchell

Field Community Centre. The STTA advocates for increased supports towards senior fitness programs and improved equipment and space for Table Tennis players, promoting a healthy and engaged lifestyle for seniors.

We are grateful for organizations such as the STTA who recognize the importance of connecting seniors with opportunities for a healthy, active lifestyle, and represent the wider network of Willowdale seniors in need of support and resources in the area of physical fitness.



VOLUNTEER CALL FOR GARDENERS AND LOVERS OF GARDENS!

On June 26th, the Parks team along with local residents are coming together at 10am to help with planting a pollinator garden at Edithvale Community Centre! Come join your community and participate in bringing to life a wonderful project that will benefit both the environment and the community for many years to come.

To participate, please email: kin.seong@toronto.ca



JULY 1, 2024 12pm - 10pm Mel Lastman Square

5100 Yonge St FREE ADMISSION

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Canadiana Sweets Festival Curated by Street Eats Market 12pm - 10pm

FREE Kids Zone Inflatable Rides, Electric Animal Plush Scooters, Activity Stations & More

12pm - 8pm

Gibson House Museum FREE Arts & Crafts Tent

12pm - 5pm Afternoon Main Stage Performances

Curated by Willowdale Central Ratepayers Association 12pm - 6pm Evening Main Stage Performances The Strange Parade Band With Dr. Draw & Beatbox Champion Scott Jackson 7:30pm - 8:15pm **Busker Entertainment** 8:15pm - 8:30pm Welcome Greetings Land Acknowledgement | National Anthem

> AIN FEATURE ATTRACTION NorthFIRE SHOW 9pm - 9:45pm

Community MPP Stan Cho Supporters MP Ali Ehsassi Funded by the Government of Canada Canadä

Join us for an unforgettable Canada Day celebration at Mel Lastman Square

CANADA DAY CELEBRATION

organized by Yonge North York BIA! Enjoy a delightful Sweets Festival featuring up to 30 vendors curated by Street

Families will enjoy the Free Kids Zone with family-friendly activities. With

roaming entertainment all day, you don't want to miss a thing! The evening's

Eats Market, each offering unique Canadian delights!

finale will be the spectacular NorthFIRE Show, a high-energy performance combining fire acts and electric violin by Dr. Draw, promising to mesmerize audiences of all ages. Visit me at my booth for a friendly chat and free popcorn! I hope to see you all there!



There will be 2 Northbound and 2 Southbound lanes open to ensure traffic flow. Additionally, the crane company will provide one Paid Duty Officer to ensure

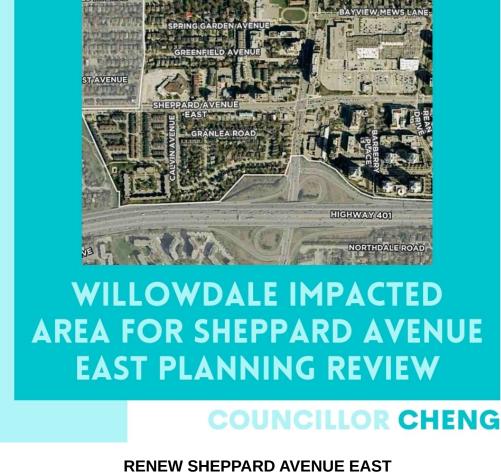
Work Date(s): 06-22-2024 Work Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A noise exemption permit will be applied for the early start on Saturday.

CITY OF TORONTO UPDATES

ELMWOOD AVENUE

safe traffic and pedestrian movement.

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The Growth Plan conformity requires the City to individually delineate the boundaries for Major Transit Station Areas (MTSA) and to prioritize growth where transit and other infrastructure currently exists or is planned. The City initiated the Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) and in July 2022, the City adopted MTSAs to conform with the Growth Plan. MTSAs are areas within

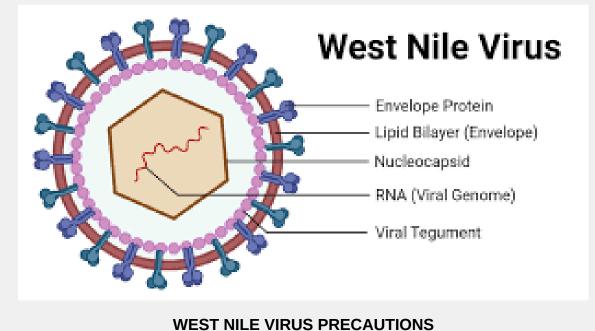
an approximate 500 to 800 meter radius of a transit station, representing about a 10-minute walk. In February 2022, City Council directed staff to initiate a fulsome review of the existing development policies contained within the Sheppard East Subway Corridor Secondary Plan including the formation of a Business Improvement Area (BIA). City Planning launched the community engagement process which

included Phase 1: Open Houses on April 12, 2023, and May 28 2024, and Phase 2: an Open House on June 13, 2024. In addition, the ReNew Sheppard East team provides study material and online engagement opportunities on the City's Planning study webpage.

During the two recent community consultations, a common concern from the affected residents was the fear of immediate changes that might disrupt neighborhood character or lead to expropriation. City Planning is not planning to expropriate properties to implement the study's long-term vision. Instead, the Study's objective is to create a policy framework for new development which includes enhanced contributions for a public realm and multimobility network to guide growth and future development over the next 30+ years.

Learn more and get involved <u>www.toronto.ca/RenewSheppardEast</u>.

Learn More



Toronto Public Health reminds residents to take precautions against West

Nile virus this summer. With mosquito season upon us, Toronto Public Health (TPH) advises residents

to take steps to protect themselves from West Nile virus (WNV) – an illness transmitted through the bite of an infected mosquito. In 2023, there were 23 confirmed human cases of West Nile virus in Toronto. Residents can take steps to avoid bites from infected mosquitos:

Wear light-coloured clothing, long pants and long-sleeved shirts when

- outdoors Apply insect repellent approved by Health Canada by following the manufacturer's instructions: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-
- canada/services/about-pesticides/insect-repellents.html Cover up during peak mosquito hours at dusk and dawn Ensure windows and doors have tight-fitting screens
- Remove standing water from properties or items where mosquitos can
- breed such as pool covers, buckets, planters, toys and your Blue Bin,
- Green Bin and Garbage Bins Keep grass cut short and trim bushes and trees around properties. WNV symptoms usually start to show between two and 14 days after a person is

bitten by an infected mosquito and may include: fever

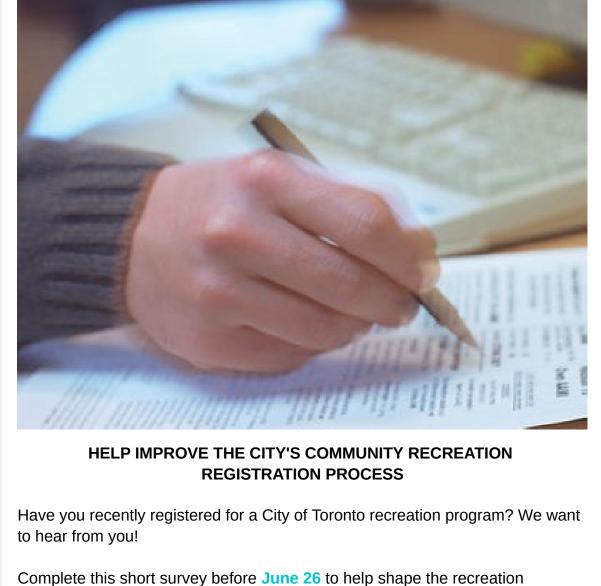
- headache
- nausea
- vomiting body aches
- skin rash
- swollen lymph glands.
- Older individuals or people with compromised immune systems are at higher risk of severe illness. Residents experiencing serious symptoms or who have

2023, 83 mosquito pools tested positive for WNV.

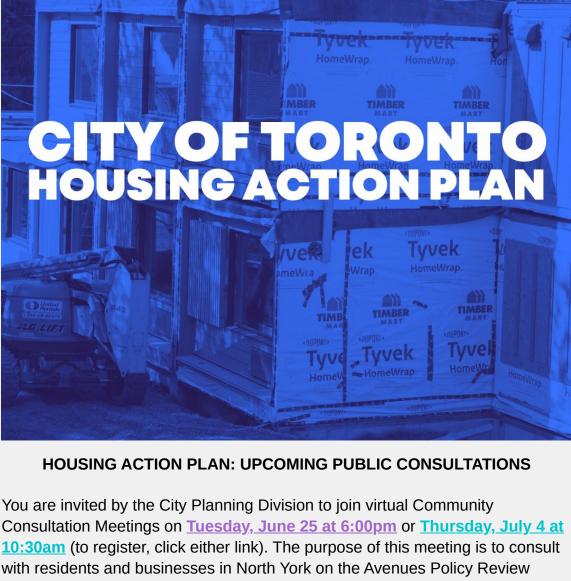
Each summer, TPH conducts mosquito surveillance using 22 traps placed across the city, collecting samples weekly for identification and WNV testing. In

concerns about any symptoms should contact their primary health care provider.

More information about WNV and how residents can protect themselves is available on the City's website: www.toronto.ca/west-nile-virus.



registration process. Take the Survey!



initiative, which is one part of the **Housing Action Plan** (HAP). The HAP is a cornerstone of the City's efforts to address current housing

strong 'made-in-Toronto' multi-pronged approach to increase housing supply, housing choice and affordability for current and future residents. To help accomplish these goals, the HAP directed City staff to find ways to

challenges. Adopted by City Council in December 2022, the HAP outlines a

- accelerate the supply of housing by examining and removing policy barriers to new housing. Through the Avenues Policy Review, City Planning staff are
- 1. update the vision and policy direction for how Avenues will develop; 2. extend and potentially introduce new Avenues;

looking at opportunities to:

4. consider opportunities to create areas of transition between Avenues and Neighbourhoods to enable more housing.

3. streamline study requirements for building new housing along Avenues; and

For more information about this and similar initiatives, please visit the project webpage.

Please also consider completing this <u>short survey</u> to share your thoughts on this initiative directly with staff and help inform the discussion during the upcoming meetings.

COMMUNITY UPDATES



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Willowdale VARDSALE

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(112 Spring Garden Avenue)!

and support NeighbourLink's food bank!

Host in your driveway, or Join us at 112 Spring Garden Ave!

To register or view the Yard Sale Map visit:

neighbourlink.org/yardsale

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NeighbourLink North York's Willowdale Yard Sale Day is THIS SATURDAY,

This is your opportunity to shop 65+ yard sales across the neighbourhood! 50 of them will be side by side at the Yard Sale Market at **Spring Garden Church**

WILLOWDALE YARD SALE DAY

June 22nd!

The market which runs from 9am-12pm will also include a free pancake breakfast thanks to Spring Garden Church, Starbucks coffee, iced tea, an instrument petting zoo, crafts and much more! Bring a non-perishable food item

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NeighbourLink North York's 4th Meet Your Neighbour Week is June 15-23! How well do you know the people on your street or floor? Host a meet-up in your

front yard or in a local park to get to know your immediate neighbours better!

Give out lemonade, have a potluck or go for a walk! The possibilities are

endless.

On NeighbourLink's website you'll find meet-up ideas, invitations and posters to make hosting a meet-up super easy! Businesses, faith organizations, cultural groups and clubs are invited to register a public meet-up!

Learn More

Life is better when you know your neighbours!

GRAND OPENING THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024

NORTH YORK FARMERS' MARKET MEL LASTMAN SQUARE 5100 YONGE STREET THURSDAYS, MAY 23, 2024- OCTOBER 10, 2024 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM ET NORTH YORK FARMER'S MARKET The North York Farmers' Market celebrates its 30th Anniversary this season, and will be at Mel Lastman Square EVERY THURSDAY until October 10,

From delicious grab and go lunch options, pastries, preserves, and fresh, local produce, North York Farmer's Market offers a little something for all to enjoy!

Learn More

2024, 8AM to 2PM!

Pay A Meal Forward for a neighour in need at these locations:

- Yonge Cafe & Bistro (5000 Yonge St.)
- Another Land Coffee (4714 Yonge St.)
- Woodhouse BBQ (4664 Yonge St.)
- Belle Bar & Restaurant (4949 Bathurst St.)
- Haven Brews (222 Finch Ave W)
- 6. Blaze Pizza (4841 Yonge St.) nourish NEIGHBOU

NOURISH A NEIGHBOUR

In February, NeighbourLink North York partnered with <u>Gift Local Toronto</u> to launch "Nourish A Neighbour" and they've seen incredible kindness and

generosity come from our community! Thank you to everyone who has paid it forward and purchased a meal for a neighbour at a participating local restaurant!

If you'd like to join the movement visit www.neighbourlink.org/nourish to learn

more!

If you'd like to purchase a meal for a neighbour, or you're experiencing food insecurity and would like to redeem a donated meal please visit:

- Yonge Cafe & Bistro <u>@yongecafe</u> (5000 Yonge St.)
- Another Land Coffee <u>@anotherlandcoffeeandmore</u> (4714 Yonge St)
- Woodhouse BBQ <u>@woodhousebbq89</u> (4664 Yonge St)
 Belle Restaurant and Bar <u>@bellerestaurant to (4949 Ba</u>
- Belle Restaurant and Bar <u>@bellerestaurant.to</u> (4949 Bathurst St)
- Haven Brews <u>@havenbrews</u> (222 Finch Avenue West)- Blaze Pizza at 4841 Yonge St!
- Blaze i izza at 4041 Tonge 3

Restaurant and Cafe owners who are interested in joining the program and receiving additional business from the community through this initiative can contact sebastian@neighbourlink.org



Park People is conducting a <u>10-minute survey</u> on how you have been using parks and green spaces in your city or municipality, and we want to hear from

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR CITY PARKS?

Click here to begin the survey.

Your responses will inform the 2024 Canadian City Parks Report, which will be shared with municipal park staff and the network of park professionals and enthusiasts across Canada. Past Park People survey results have been cited in

stories in the CBC, Globe and Mail, Walrus Magazine, Montreal Gazette, and more.

As a thank you, at the end of the form, you can enter a draw for one of three \$100 gift cards.

The survey will end on Sunday, June 23, 2024.

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performances, and delicious cuisine!

Immerse yourself in a rich tapestry of Turkic culture and traditions. Bring your

Date: June 29, 2024, 12:00PM

family and friends for an unforgettable experience!

Location: Mel Lastman Square, 5100 Yonge Street

Learn More

Beyond our Roots Festival Latin - Afro- Indigenous - Mediterranean &

Eastern European Festival



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Saturday June 29th, 2024

Sunday June 30th, 2024



BEYOND OUR ROOTS FESTIVAL AT LEE LIFESON ART PARK

Latino Canadian Cultural Association in partnership with CANORAA (African Association) will present a two-day Latin American-Afro-Indigenous-Mediterranean-Eastern European Festival of Music and Dance at Lee Lifeson Park. Don't miss this vibrant celebration of diversity and community!

When: June 29 - June 30, 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Where: Lee Lifeson Art Park, 223 Gladys Allison Pl, North York, M2N 3R5

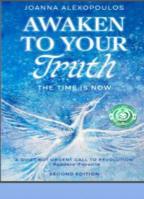
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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOUR

Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Intuitive Coach, Reiki Healer, Educator and Best-Selling & Award-Winning Author Joanna Alexopoulos



AWAKEN TO YOUR TRUTH: THE TIME IS NOW



from the Divine realms of existence, tapping into universal intelligence. These messages provide profound insights into life, God, the universe, and our interconnectedness. Readers will be inspired and moved by the wisdom and guidance that emanate from these pages. It is a profound and timely exploration of the human spirit's capacity for self-discovery and transformation and its ability to bring healing and light to the world. It is a testament to the power of love and the enduring belief that we can all awaken to our own truth and make a positive impact on the world." ~Readers' Favorite

Wednesday, June 19th

6-8pm

"The heart of this book lies in Joanna's ability to channel messages

complementary Group Meditation TBA complementary Reiki

Join us for inspiring talk, book signing, energetically charged giveaways. Claim your copy and

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Edithvale Park

enter a ballot into 2 draws:

1-4pm

274 Betty Ann Drive North York

Saturday, June 15th Sunday, June 23rd 2-5pm

BOOK LAUNCH FOR AWAKEN YOUR TRUTH: THE TIME IS NOW

Favorite International Book Award Winner, Awaken To Your Truth: The Time Is Now. Joanna will share excerpts from the book, followed by thought-provoking

Meet best-selling author Joanna Alexopoulos and claim your copy of Reader's

audience, a book sale and signings. When: Saturday, June 29, 2 - 3 pm Where: North York Central Library, Room 101

conversation about its themes. This will be followed by questions from the

Register and Learn More

CANCER SCREENING? Community Health & Information Fair

ARE YOU DUE FOR



Wednesday, July 10, 2024 | 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



NORTH YORK TORONTO
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Cancer screening



Referral for colorectal and/or breast cancer screening *Please note OHIP is required for

cancer screening.

in @NorthYorkTorontoHealthPartners

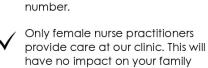
Pap test if eligible

Talk to a professional

Information about Pap tests (cervical cancer screening) and other cancer screening

> programs (breast and colorectal cancer)

Please bring a valid OHIP card (Ontario Health Card) or OHIP



What to know before

your appointment



• Call 647-862-1552.

doctor.

are free.

Walk-ins are welcome until 3 p.m. (depending on availability)

Health care services and referrals



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND INFORMATION FAIR Are you due for a cancer screening? Visit the Community Health & Information

Fair on Wednesday, July 10 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at 240 Duncan Mill Road, Suite 707, North York.

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