

MEDIA ADVISORY

**Jasmine Community Arts Festival Engages Local Youth with
Vanier MP Mona Fortier and AOE Arts Council
Saturday, June 3, 12-6pm**

Jasmine Park, 2040 Jasmine Crescent, Ottawa, ON K1J 8K5

OTTAWA - June 1, 2017 - Jasmine Crescent and East Ottawa is a vibrant neighbourhood in the Nation's Capital. As Canada's 150th Anniversary approaches [Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre](#) (EORC), [House of PainT Festival of Urban Arts and Culture](#) (HoP), Ottawa-Vanier MPP Mona Fortier, Councillor Tim Tierney's office for Beacon Hill-Cyrville, [AOE Arts Council](#), Vision Jasmine, Boys and Girls Club Ottawa, Gloucester Recreation Development Organization, Ottawa Public Library, Ottawa Police Service, SynapCity, local residents and youth will come together on **Saturday, June 3 at 12-6pm** to enjoy a day filled with arts programming and local resource centres engaging families in community building on Jasmine Crescent.

Jasmine Community Arts Festival is part of AOE Arts Council's NEIGHBOURHOOD ARTS 150 – *Celebrating Ottawa's Communities*, an official Canada 150 and Ontario 150 community-engaged arts project bringing artists and communities together across Ottawa this summer.

NEIGHBOURHOOD ARTS 150 – *Celebrating Ottawa's Communities* is supported by Funders: Government of Canada, Ontario 150; and Partners: Ottawa 2017, Community Foundation of Ottawa, Metroland Media, Trinity Foundation, the Danbe Foundation and Jewel 98.5 FM, and many community partners working alongside the twelve arts activities.

Ottawa-Vanier MPP Mona Fortier will provide opening remarks for this day of festivities at 1pm, alongside Alison Sandor, Councillor Tim Tierney's office for Beacon Hill-Cyrville and AOE Arts Council Executive Director Victoria Steele. Michelle Lemieux, EORC Community Development Coordinator and Patrick McCormack, House of PainT Festival of Arts and Culture will also provide remarks about this community initiative.

As part of this community initiative, the City of Ottawa and Crime Prevention Ottawa's Paint It Up! Program partnered with EORC to help the Gloucester Emergency Food Cupboard bear its own Outdoor Mural! To make this mural a reality, Jasmine Crescent youth will contribute their artistic talent in the coming months to this project. The goal of creating an Outdoor Mural is to reflect the essence of Jasmine Crescent through original art that can be embraced by the community for years to come. The public is invited to contact EORC to contribute to this Paint It Up! project: Keri Tallack, Child & Youth Counselor, EORC at [613-741-6025 ext 129](tel:613-741-6025).

MEDIA ARE INVITED TO ATTEND: SATURDAY, JUNE 3

1pm: Opening Remarks

1:30pm: Photo Op, Workshop Tent, Jasmine Park, 2040 Jasmine Crescent

Photo op with Ottawa-Vanier MP Mona Fortier; Alison Sandor, Councillor Tim Tierney's office for Beacon Hill-Cyrville; AOE Arts Council Executive Director Victoria Steele; Michelle Lemieux, Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre and Patrick McCormack, House of PainT Festival of Arts and Culture

Event organizers and performers are also available for media interviews upon request.

WHO: NEIGHBOURHOOD ARTS 150 – *Celebrating Ottawa's Communities*, [Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre](#) (EORC); [House of PainT Festival of Urban Arts and Culture](#) (HoP); Ottawa-Vanier MPP Mona Fortier; Alison Sandor, Councillor Tim Tierney's office for Beacon Hill-Cyrville; [AOE Arts Council](#), Vision Jasmine, Boys and Girls Club Ottawa, Gloucester Recreation Development Organization, Ottawa Public Library, Ottawa Police Service and SynapCity

WHAT: Neighbourhood Arts 150: Jasmine Community Arts Festival

WHERE: Jasmine Park, 2040 Jasmine Crescent
Beacon Hill North, Ottawa
[Google Maps](#)

WHEN: Saturday, June 3, 12pm - 6pm

EVENT SCHEDULE

12pm: Festival opens to patrons

1pm: Opening remarks with Ottawa-Vanier MPP Mona Fortier; Alison Sandor, Councillor Tim Tierney's office for Beacon Hill-Cyrville; AOE Arts Council Executive Director Victoria Steele; Michelle Lemieux, Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre and Patrick McCormack, House of PainT Festival of Arts and Culture

1:30-6pm: Performances by local artists Missing LinX, King Kimbit and music with DJ JervyJerv and DJ Alive. Dance workshop by Julia Gutsik, Luv2Groove and poetry workshop by Missing LinX. Live painting with youth and local visual artists Robbie Lariviere, Fall Down Gallery and Mique Michelle

2pm: FREE BBQ open to public

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Neighbourhood Arts 150: @150ArtsOttawa #150ArtsOttawa

House of PainT: @HouseofPainT #HoP2017

Recent Vision Jasmine Initiatives

We would like to extend a special thank you to [Councillor Tim Tierney](#) for installing new basketball hoops in Jasmine Park! We have already received

positive feedback from residents with respect to the first installation. The additional new hoops are expected to be in place in time for Summer break.

Thank you Councillor Tierney for your continued commitment towards making Jasmine Crescent a vibrant Ottawa neighbourhood!

Recent Jasmine Crescent Community Events

[Vision Jasmine Walk](#) in April 2017: Children, the elderly, parents, students, teachers, school principals, scouts, ministers, Police chief Charles Bordeleau, Mayor Jim Watson and Councillor Tim Tierney, marched along Jasmine Crescent together as a community to collaborate in making Jasmine a safer place for residents and children

Jasmine/Arrowsmith Community Meetings: Discussion of potential activities, workshops, programs with youth and community at Ottawa Public Library, North Gloucester Branch

I Love to Play Hockey: Jasmine Park Arena engaging 10 youth ages 8-15 of Jasmine Crescent Community in free hockey lessons

Successful Clean Up the Capital: Event took place in May 2017 in Jasmine Crescent

Guitar Lessons: Free guitar lessons being offered to Jasmine Crescent youth and children

UPCOMING EVENTS IN JASMINE CRESCENT

A Love of Tennis

Want to play tennis but you're not sure how? A Love of Tennis is offering FREE tennis lessons this summer! Equipment will be provided, all you need to bring is yourself! The first lesson starts on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 at 10am, but **registration closes on June 23, 2017!** Don't wait to book your spot -- spaces are limited!

Learn more: aloveoftennis.org

Cycling Without Age is Coming to Jasmine Crescent!

Learn more: cyclingwithoutage.org

A Message from Ottawa Police - Make The Right Call

As "A Trusted Partner in Community Safety," the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) prides itself on always looking for new and improved ways to help the residents of Ottawa connect with us.

Effective April 26, 2017, the OPS will be introducing a single telephone number in

which to contact us for all non-emergency enquiries. If you need to reach police by telephone for a non-emergency, you can call [\(613\) 236-1222](tel:6132361222) to report any type of report from vehicle theft to harassment complaints. Also, instead of having to find the proper extension to reach a desired party, our new automated Integrated Voice Response (IVR) system will connect you to the right section or person.

All emergency or life-threatening calls will continue to be made utilizing 9-1-1.

In response to evolving technology, residents may instead choose to file a complaint online. Some of the reports you are now easily able to file online include: Thefts, Damage to Property, Traffic Complaints, Drug Complaints, Fraud Complaints, and Hate Crimes. Residents can also utilize our on-line service if they wish to add supplemental information to an existing report.

As a valued partner, we felt it was important to let you know about these changes so that you can communicate with your constituents as early as possible. These improvements have been implemented to allow the OPS to better serve the residents of Ottawa.

A Media Release will be issued shortly to advise the public of the changes being implemented. Additionally, this messaging will be further communicated during Police Week.

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