

What's new at CultureLink?



CultureLink Newsletter - November 2018

This month, CultureLink celebrates 30 years of diversity, inclusion and growth. It all began with the Metro Toronto Host program in 1988, and the idea of locals befriending newcomers to support their integration in the community. We now serve our clients and participants in all areas of life: employment, education, social life, sustainability, recreation and therapeutic activities. We continue to rely on the personal touch of committed volunteers to provide services that make our diverse community inclusive, strong, and growing. Please take a moment to review recent [media coverage](#) of our work, and our [achievements](#).

[Our 30th Anniversary Gala is coming up soon on Thursday November 22, 2018 at Old Mill Toronto. We look forward to a fine dinner, musical performances, an award ceremony, greetings by MP Arif Virani and MPP Bhutla Karpoche, and a keynote address by United Way President and CEO Daniele Zanotti! Order your tickets now!](#)



2018 AGM highlights CultureLink's Seniors programs

On October 25th, CultureLink held its 2018 Annual General Meeting. Alongside official business, we celebrated 30 years of diversity, inclusion, and growth with a special event showcasing our Seniors program. Our senior clients showed their musical talents and their powers as public entertainers....

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Library Settlement Partnership celebrates 10 years

The neighbourhood public library is a critical resource for newcomers to Canada. The Library Settlement Partnership (LSP) program was established in 2008, bringing settlement workers to work in libraries and assist newcomer clients. In October 2018, CultureLink celebrated this 10 year anniversary milestone with special events at the Lillian H. Smith and Mimico Centennial branches of the Toronto Public Library....

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Boo! First Halloween for newcomer students!

Newcomer students participated in their first Halloween on October 31, at Ryerson Community School. They were so excited to make their first Jack-o-Lantern at Monday Club!

Huayu is one of many newcomers to Canada who had never celebrated Halloween. He asked Lucy, "Oh my God, how could people put such awful things in front of their houses?". His mom took him trick-or-treating with his classmates that night. They all had a great time!

What happens after school on Thursdays, at St. Mary Catholic Academy?

An incredibly diverse group of newcomer youth are developing their leadership skills in the Multicultural Club for Newcomer Youth. We have about 25 participants...

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Partnership between CultureLink and CIBC yields results

...On October 15 we held a Recruitment / Mentoring Event with CIBC. More than 30 people attended this event including newcomers to Canada, CIBC Senior Banking Leaders and CIBC Human Resources

People. Out of all the candidates, seven are now in negotiations with CIBC Human Resources for a successful career with the bank. An additional eight candidates may become part of the retail banking division, if they fulfil certain conditions. And seven candidates were referred to different departments of the Bank for other opportunities....



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