



# Schedule of Activities

## St. Catharines

### January 2019

**Our Mission:** The Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre is a community based non-profit charitable organization whose team of professional staff and volunteers provide vital settlement services to newcomers as they strive to create a rewarding new life in Canada.

#### WHAT'S NEW?

English Classes resume January 7. We wish all of you a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Our **2019 Folk Arts Festival**, running from May 3 to 26, is calling for cultural vendors, crafters and artists. E-mail us at [festivalproducer@folk-arts.ca](mailto:festivalproducer@folk-arts.ca) or visit [folk-arts.ca/festival](http://folk-arts.ca/festival) to register.

#### EMPLOYMENT

**Looking for a job?** We can help!!! Bring your job search questions to us. Call us at 905-685-6589 Ext. 231, email [jsw@folk-arts.ca](mailto:jsw@folk-arts.ca) or come to see us in Room 10. We can offer you the following:

**Specialized one-on-one sessions available:** Education and Training options, Career Planning, Resume & Cover Letter Writing, Interview Preparation, Credential Assessment information, Accessing Licensed Professions information and much more.

#### **Job Search Workshop (JSW):**

Offered each month. Learn about how to research your profession in Canada, what jobs are in demand, resumes, interviews and more.

#### **Practice Sessions: Come and practice with us!**

Interview Skills, Public Speaking, Small Talk & Networking and Emailing for Job Search and more. Registration required.

#### Computer Training

Offered every Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm in our Computer Lab. To register, please call 905-685-6589 Ext. 231 or [jsw@folk-arts.ca](mailto:jsw@folk-arts.ca).

#### SKILLS TRAINING

Registration is open for our **Small Business Basics Program**, to run from Mon. Feb. 25 to Fri. March 1, 9am to 12pm. Register at [jsw@folk-arts.ca](mailto:jsw@folk-arts.ca) or 905-685-6589 Ext. 231.

#### SETTLEMENT WORKSHOPS

**Orientation to Ontario;** Workshop for newcomers to Ontario and Niagara; January 15, 16 and 17; 9am to 12pm; Room 9. This workshop is offered in **Mandarin**. **NOTE:** The same workshop will be offered in **Arabic** in February.

**Credit, Fraud, and Identity Theft**  
January 23; 9:15 to 10:30am; Room 9.

#### Women's Trust Circle

Meets Monday, Jan. 14 at 12:30pm, Room 9.

#### 50+ Group

**Volunteer Group: Crocheting Blanket for a local charity.** Join Irene on Thursdays at 12:30pm, Room 9. Participants will make a blanket for the needy. Learn and give back! Begins Jan. 10.

#### Cooking and Sharing

Cooking a meal for a local shelter; Jan. 16; 12:30pm, in the "Robby" Kitchen.

#### EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Join us for our **Ice Skating Outing** to Niagara-on-the-Lake; Thurs. Jan. 3, 1pm; Register in Room 2.

#### Practice conversational English with us

- English Conversation Circle: Tuesdays, 12:30 pm; Room 9
- Chit-Chat Group for ESL Level 3+; Wed. 1pm; Room 9
- Men's Conversation Circle; Mon. 12:30 pm, Youth Lounge

#### Chop-Chop Group: preparing food for the needy

We invite all newcomers to volunteer while practicing conversational English. Group meets Jan 9 and 23 from 12:30pm to 2pm in the "Robby" kitchen.

**All Women's Swimming** at Kiwanis Centre, every Sunday 4:30pm to 6pm. Register with Zainab in Room 2.

**Wellness Activity;** fitness & fun every Tuesday, 2pm, Room 9.

#### YOUTH

#### Programming for youth age 13 and up:

**Youth Group:** Ice skating in Niagara on the Lake Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019- bus leaves @ 3pm – see youth staff to register- regular programming resumes January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 2:30pm

**Conversation Café:** resumes January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 2:30pm  
**Youth Council** meets once per month; see Melenie for more details

**After School Program at Canadian Martyrs:** program resumes January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**For more Info,** contact Melenie. [youth@folk-arts.ca](mailto:youth@folk-arts.ca) or 289-241-5913 (cell)

**NOTE: SOME PROGRAMS HAVE ELIGIBILITY AND / OR PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

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