

2017 InformOntario Education and Networking Symposium



Tue, May 30 and Wed, May 31, 2017
George Brown College Residence & Conference Centre, Toronto



ACCOMMODATIONS

If you have requested accommodations as part of your registration package, then InformOntario has booked it on your behalf at The George.

Check in time: 3 PM Check out time: 11 AM

The George Brown Residence was originally built for the 2015 Pam Am Games as part of the athletes' village. It is now a student resident with the conference space on the 2nd floor. All suites include 2 bedrooms (each with a double bed), a shared bathroom and small kitchen. Linens and towels provided.

WELCOME TO THE 42ND INFORMONTARIO SYMPOSIUM

On behalf of the InformOntario Board of Directors and the 2017 Symposium planning committee, enjoy our 2-day event at:

The George (George Brown College)
Residence and Conference Centre
80 Cooperage Ave,
Toronto, ON M5A oJ3

Located in the Canary District of Toronto, the residence/conference centre is located just 1 block east of Front St E and Cherry St. Front St E intersects with Cooperage.

****IMPORTANT INFORMATION **** ABOUT LOCAL CONSTRUCTION DETOURS AND PARKING ON BACK!!

Keynote Presentation:

eLearning in Associations: Boring People since 1992



Jeremy Friedberg co-Founder/CEO, Spongelab Interactive

Bring your own device (mobile/laptop) to experience the full spectrum of activities.

We look at how eLearning can be designed to engage learners through games, simulations and careful design. The talk itself will be "gamified" so the audience can interact with the speakers in novel ways. We'll use this game "hook" to introduce the idea of using games as learning resources to make it more engaging.

** All meals & workshops - 2nd floor conference area **

We have planned 2 days of outstanding workshops involving 30 presenters and related activities for Information and Referral practitioners, staff and stakeholders.

Please be considerate...arrive on time, do not leave during presentations, enjoy the ENTIRE experience.

**** IMPORTANT ***** TRAVEL AND PARKING INFORMATION

CONSTRUCTION DETOURS

The Gardiner Expressway curb lane will be closed from Bathurst St to York St due to the removal of the York Bay Yonge off ramp and the Simcoe St ramp build.

PARKING -- RESPONSIBILITY OF ATTENDEE

There are several parking options:

- Parking garage attached to the Residence. Fee is \$22 per day (NOT part of registration). Garage at corner of Cooperage and Palace. It is a Pay and Display -- accepts credit cards and coins only.
- City of Toronto parking lot at 373 Front St E (entrance at Trinity) - Rate \$2.00 (for each half hour) or \$12.00 for maximum of 4 hours
- Metered parking spaces on streets around the Residence (pay and display); maximum of 3 hours
- Variety of other parking options in area.

TRANSIT INFO

If taking public transit - The 514 Streetcar line stops right behind the building, and the 504 line stops about 150 metres away. These lines both access King station (TCC subway) directly, in 10-15 minute trips. King station is just one stop from Union/The Air Canada Centre.

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HIGHLIGHTS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS

Registration Kits

Your SWAG bag, which includes the full Symposium program, can be picked up each morning at our Registration table. Free WiFi.

Breakfast, Lunch & Breaks

Buffet breakfast each day is from 8-9 am. Lunch and formal breaks listed in program.

Information and Referral "Speaker's Corner"

A unique opportunity to tell us about how Information and Referral makes a difference! Share your stories, impressions and comments.

Hosted by CIVICYork --- Wednesday only.

Tuesday Dinner With Speaker

A buffet dinner at a Japanese sushi restaurant is a great way to cap off the first day of our Symposium. Within the Distillery District is **Buko Sushi** at 42 Gristmill Lane (south on Trinity to Gristmill). It is just an 8 minute walk away --but plan for more time if you want to wander through the shops first. The menu was designed to cater to all dietary preferences.

Dinner begins at 6:30 pm. Cash bar.

Sue Wilkinson and Carrie Moody – both from Findhelp Information Services – will speak on "Leading Change and Lessons Learned: The Good, Bad and Everything in Between."

Annual General Meeting – Everyone Welcome

The InformOntario AGM immediately follows breakfast on Wednesday morning. Everyone welcome; only IO members may vote. Announcement of 2 Symposium bursary winners and video contest winner.

Questions:

If you have any last minute issues (ie late arrival needed), call:

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