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Youth Component New Feature of Mayor's Celebration of the Arts

Cambridge, Ontario. June 3, 2010... Cambridge City Hall was all a buzz today with local artists and performers as Cambridge City Council and members of the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee launched the 2010 Mayor's Celebration of the Arts. Slated for June 18th, the event showcases local talent and this year includes a new youth component which features a unique street art piece among others.



The program is free to the public and kicks off at 6:30 pm on June 18th with a ribbon cutting at the newly renovated Historic City Hall. The evening unfolds with a number of live stage performances featuring 14 performing artists, 14 visual artists, 8 youth performers, 9 youth visual artists and even an exhibit from Cambridge Library & Galleries sharing their Fibre Art Collection including the works of Jane Hook.



"It's an exciting opportunity for the community to witness the multitude of talents from performing to visual artists that our community has to offer," says Mayor Craig (pictured here with '2Krew4U' one of the youth performing groups selected for the event.)

Sample cuisine from ten of the finest restaurants in the community, take in acts from one of five stages, and soak-up visual wonders of dozens of art displays throughout City Hall. Back again this year is a live and silent auction component available through a partnership with Frameous, a committee from the Cambridge Arts Guild. This year marks the eighth year of the event.

More information including a schedule of events is available online at:
http://www.cambridge.ca/mayor_city_council/mayors_celebration_of_the_arts

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High resolution images available upon request.

About Cambridge

The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2009, the population reached over 126,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in advanced manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a progressive work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

About the Corporation of the City of Cambridge

The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is a dynamic organization filled with dedicated people who deliver vital municipal services to you. Services that residents, businesses, visitors and people like your family and friends enjoy. We're a comprehensive team of professionals: engineers, financial specialists, skilled trades, administrative experts, customer service, communications - and the list goes on.

We're proud to be part of the systems that bring you the array of services that citizens in Cambridge need:

- Parks and recreation
- Activities and programs like pools, seniors' centres, community centres, arenas and other facilities
- Sports programs and all the needs related to playing fields, like indoor soccer, baseball diamonds and other amenities
- Events
- Farmers' Market
- Cemetery services
- Road programs
- Leaf pick up services
- Winter maintenance services
- Water and sewer services
- Fire, emergency and related services
- By-laws and enforcement
- Tax administration
- Licensing for businesses, lotteries, marriage, dogs, and other services like applications for birth, death and marriage certificates, notarizing or commissioning of documents
- Archival research
- Economic Development and business support programs
- Tourism support to share opportunities to showcase the festivals and help bring visitors in to support retail and other elements of the economy
- Administration of committees, steering groups and advisory groups
- Planning and development services
- Traffic and parking services
- Ensuring the best security, police, transit, garbage, water processing service, utilities, animal control are in place.
- Libraries and galleries
- Centre for the arts
- Accessibility matters
- Council services including things like supporting the up coming needs of our residents for the Oct 2010 municipal elections

It's a multitude of services and we continue to refine and review them to ensure we deliver the services in the most effective, efficient, and proactive ways.

In 2010 we are undergoing a corporate service review. This is a further check and balance system to seeking improvements - like better technologies to simplify processes or realigning how we operate. The comprehensive review is happening this year with a view to providing a report to Council for consideration. The report will be available by year end and will be addressed by the newly elected council for the 2011 budget.

For more information on the area or the corporation visit www.cambridge.ca

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