

AIDS Awareness Week World AIDS Day 2013

Events in Ottawa

Monday, November 25

Red Ribbon Blitz!

12:00pm – 1:00pm All over Ottawa

Volunteers from a variety of agencies and groups around the city will be distributing red ribbons (the international symbol of AIDS Awareness) to the community during lunch hour to launch the week of activities and raise awareness about HIV/AIDS in Ottawa. Keep an eye out for volunteers on the street, or come down and help out.

For more information or to RSVP as a volunteer, contact Leslie Wells at volunteer@acocso.ca or 613-238-5014 ex. 228. www.facebook.com/acocso

HIV 101

5:30pm-7:30pm AIDS Committee of Ottawa, 251 Bank St, Suite 700

A workshop that introduces you to HIV, including the basics of transmission, risk and risk reduction, history of the epidemic, the social determinants of health, and the impacts of stigma. RSVP required.

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Tuesday, November 26

Information kiosk

9:00am – 2:00pm 100 Constellation Crescent

The staff for the Healthy Sexuality and Risk Reduction Unit of Ottawa Public Health will be handing out red ribbons and providing information on HIV/AIDS.

Hosted by: Ottawa Public Health. Please contact: Christiane Bouchard, Project Officer Ottawa Public Health

TED Talks on HIV

2:00pm – 4:00pm The Living Room, AIDS Committee of Ottawa

This is a serial of events held at AIDS Committee of Ottawa, The Living Room. We will explore different talks on HIV on TED Talks and other websites to give Living Room participants an update on HIV around the globe today. All Living Room participants are welcome to join us. For more information, please contact Cory @ 613-238-5014 ext. 253

AIDS Awareness Social and Theatre Workshop

6:00pm – 9:00pm University of Ottawa Pride Centre, 85 University Private, Pride Centre 215 C

There will be an arts based accessible workshop focusing on AIDS awareness, stigma and creating solidarity as well as room for discussion.

For more information contact Elaine Boileau (Advocacy and Equity Supervisor); pride@sfuo.ca; (613) 562-5800 ext. 3161 https://www.facebook.com/Pride.fierte?fref=ts

Our Agenda...Let's Get Fresh Gay Men's Forum

Film Screening & Reception 7:00pm – 9:00pm Arts Court, 2 Daly Avenue, Ottawa

Presentation of the film "We Were Here"

The first documentary to take a deep and reflective look back at the arrival and impact of AIDS in San Francisco. It explores how the city's inhabitants were affected by, and how they responded to, that calamitous epidemic. Though a San Francisco-based story, We Were Here extends beyond San Francisco and beyond AIDS itself — it speaks to our capacity as individuals to rise to the occasion, and to the incredible power of a community coming together with love, compassion, and determination.

Hosted by: AIDS Committee of Ottawa -Gay Men's Health Team.

Contact:

Rob Alexander, Gay Men's Health & Wellness Coordinator, mens.health.project@acocso.ca, 613-238-5014 ext. 255.

www.facebook.com/GayMensHealth/events

Wednesday, November 27

Our Agenda...Let's Get Fresh Gay Men's Forum

9:00am - 5:00pm

Richelieu-Vanier Community Centre, 300 Des Pères-Blancs, Ottawa, ON, KIL 7L5

Our Agenda...Let's Get Fresh is a campaign designed by the Gay Men's Health Team at the AIDS Committee of Ottawa (ACO) intended to bring together the Gets Fresh Report, the GMSH Our Agenda Campaign and gay men's programing with an Ottawa focused Gay Men's health agenda. This session will provide an overview of the Gets Fresh Report, the Our Agenda campaign and the Our Agenda...Lets' Get Fresh Action Plan.

To register contact: Rob Alexander, Gay Men's Health & Wellness Coordinator. mens.health.project@aco-cso.ca, 613-238-5014 ext. 255.

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Thursday, November 28

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Saturday, November 30th

AIDS Awareness week prayers and thanksgiving event

6:00pm to 8:00pm River Jordan Community Church 36 Bentley Avenue, Nepean,

Stories of people with experience living with HIV in Ottawa. Prayers for those living with, affected and orphaned or bereaved by HIV. Celebration of life. Candle light memorial. Presentations and refreshments.

Hosted by: Somerset West Community Health Centre (SWCHC) and River Jordan Ministries (RJM).

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Sunday, December 1st World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day Movie Screening: How to Survive a Plague

2:00pm to 5:00pm

Somerset West Community Health Centre, 55 Eccles Street, Ottawa, ON.

Film screening of How to Survive a Plague, the Academy Award nominated documentary on AIDS activism in the 1980s and 1990s.

Hot chocolate and popcorn will be provided. Film to be followed by informal discussion. This event is free of charge to the community. Spaces are limited, so come early! If you have any questions, please contact Sarah North at 613-238-8210 ext. 2260

Monday, December 2nd

Wabano Centre for Aboriginal Health presents: World AIDS Day 2013

10:00am-2:00pm

Wabano, 299 Montreal Rd, Ottawa, ON K1L 6B8

Please join us for an afternoon of guest speakers, panel discussion, health fair, traditional teachings and a lunch in honor of world AIDS day.

For more information please contact: Meaghan Hamilton or Lance Brown lbrown@wabano.com.

AIDS Awareness Week Closing Event: An Evening of Community Performance

5:00pm to 8:00pm

Wabano, 299 Montreal Rd, Ottawa, ON K1L 6B8

In partnership with Wabano's weekly Culture Night, the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Education Committee of Ottawa presents a community gathering of performance and food to close AIDS Awareness Week.

The community dinner will start at 5pm, and performances will take place between 6:30pm-8:00pm. Attendees can expect to see a variety of performance pieces, including a theatre piece from Planned Parenthood's Insight Theatre.

Information tables from community groups/agencies committed to HIV/AIDS education and prevention will be present.

This event is free of charge. All are welcome to attend.

For inquiries please contact Sarah North, HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Committee Chair, at snorth@swchc.on.ca.

