



# The Connection

"Keeping our community connected"

## October 2022

Monthly Newsletter of the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc.



### ECNWC OFFICE UPDATE

Our office is **open for walk-ins and in-person appointments**. We also provide service through phone calls, emails and other media. Please call or email in advance to book appointments.

To book an appointment, please call (306) 783-2777 or email [ecnwcinfo@ecnwc.ca](mailto:ecnwcinfo@ecnwc.ca). Our service hours are Mon-Fri, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**The office will be CLOSED on October 10, 2022.**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

### Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) News

#### New changes for HIRING TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKERS



New regulations are now in force to protect temporary foreign workers. 13 new amendments will enhance the integrity of the program and help prevent the mistreatment and abuse of workers while in Canada. Learn more [HERE](#).

### FUN Fact about Canada!

When you picture Canada's north, chances are you think of polar bears, mountains and ice, but along Lake Athabasca in Saskatchewan, you'll find a vast 1925 km<sup>2</sup> sand dune! The Athabasca Sand Dunes are the most northerly active sand dunes on Earth, and the largest sand surface in Canada! Pretty neat!



For more information and updates, please visit and like our [East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Facebook Page](#).



### This is HOME

#### Meet Melisa Rosales

Melisa is the Admin Assistant with the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc. She moved from Guatemala to Yorkton in 2018 and now calls Yorkton HOME!



*"I really like the sense of safety and peacefulness that Saskatchewan brings. Another thing I love is having a lot of sunlight during summer days, but definitely each season, has its own special charm. Summer can be really hot, but I try to be outdoors as much as possible. Having barbecues is the perfect way to spend time with the family and enjoy the nice weather, but also going to the lake and have a picnic is my kind of weekend retreat.*

*Right now, Fall is here and is my second favorite season, I love to see all the warm colors on the trees, enjoy the crisp nights and have a pumpkin spice latte, any time of the day. The winter season is the longest, but even the coldest days can be the most beautiful days, with sun dogs blazing in the sky, this is an amazing vision to see.*

*Yorkton has been my home since I arrived to Canada. People are welcoming and the community has many options to get involved and be part of different activities. Here, it feels like a slow-motion kind of life and I really like it. I prefer this life instead of being in one of the bigger cities in Canada, where people are always in a rush and have to deal with traffic and everything is more expensive."* - Melisa

### EXPLORE our Community – CORN TRAILS



Are you looking for a fun family activity to do this fall?

If so, put Corn Trails on your list of places to visit! Corn Trails is a non-traditional corn maze located near the north end of Good Spirit Lake along the Canora Beach Road. These trails intertwine through a corn field, making it fun for the whole family to try and find their way out! Corn Trails cut their own trails randomly throughout the corn field with an entrance and an exit in mind. The trails in between just evolve as they cut. Lots of dead ends and loops are incorporated to add difficulty and fun. Corn Trails is open Fridays from 5pm to 8pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 12pm to 6pm for the month of October. They also have a mini golf course at the trails and add in a Halloween theme called "Terror in the Trails" on October 21 and 22. There is a small admission fee to visit. For more information, visit their Facebook Page by clicking [HERE](#).



# Community Activities & Event

Here is a list of some of the upcoming activities or events happening in our community!  
If you are interested in any of these please call our office at (306) 783-2777 and we can help you register and /or attend with you.



## Open Cinema - Screening of Kalinga

All ages / Culture Days

**WHAT?** Yorkton Film Festival is partnering with the Parkland Filipino Canadian Association to bring a diverse and multicultural film screening of Kalinga to our local audience.  
**WHEN?** October 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm  
**WHERE?** Yorkton Public Library  
**COST?** FREE



## Thanksgiving Day

Canadian Holiday

**WHAT?** Thanksgiving Day is a holiday where Canadians give thanks for a successful year and harvest.  
**WHEN?** Monday, October 11, 2022  
**WHERE?** Celebrated in homes across the country by gathering loved ones and preparing a meal, which usually includes turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce and other dishes.



## Jamaican Jerk and Fish Fry Event

All ages / Culture Days

**WHAT?** Come dive into this Jamaican cultural evening, as the Jamaican atmosphere is created here in Yorkton. Learn to speak Jamaican Patois at the event. Try singing Karaoke, listen to live performances and try Jamaican food with a meal ticket.  
**WHEN?** October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00 PM  
**WHERE?** Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation Yorkton Branch Club House (York Lake)  
**COST?** FREE to attend but need meal ticket if you'd like to eat (\$20 per meal). Call (306) 730-0393 for information.



## Heal the Earth - with Local Artist Hanna Yokozawa Farquharson

All ages / Culture Days

**WHAT?** Listen to the sounds of Crystal Singing Bowls and experience the effects of Light Language Healing. Participants who wish to have their chakras healed will be offered the opportunity to experience sound healing after the performance. Bring Yoga mat and water.  
**WHEN?** Saturday, October 15, 2022 at 1:00 PM  
**WHERE?** Godfrey Dean Cultural Centre – Programming Room  
**COST?** FREE but must pre-register on Yorkton Culture Days website by clicking [HERE](#). Max 20 participants.



## Halloween

Celebration

**WHAT?** Some of the common activities on Halloween in Canada include trick-or-treating, dressing in costumes, carving pumpkins into jack-o'-lanterns or visiting haunted attractions.  
**WHEN?** Sunday, October 31, 2022



### Multifaith Festivals in October

<b>Baha'i Faith</b>	16 – 'Ilm (Knowledge)
<b>Buddhism</b>	5 – Bodhidharma Memorial
	9 – Pavarana
	13 – Nichiren Shonin Memorial
<b>Christianity</b>	2 – World Communion Sunday
<b>Hinduism</b>	2 – Saraswati Puja
	5 - Dassehra
	13 – Karwa Chauth
	24 – Diwali
<b>Islam</b>	8 – Mawlid al-Nabiy
<b>Jainism</b>	2-9 – Aymbil Ori
	10 – Atmasiddhi Rachna Divas
	24 – Mahavira Nirvana & Diwali

<b>Judaism</b>	5 – Yom Kippur
	10 – 16 – Feast of Tabernacles
	17 – Shmini Atteret
	18 – Simhat Torah
<b>Scientology</b>	7 – International Association of Scientologists Day
<b>Sikhism</b>	20 – Installation of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji
<b>Wicca</b>	31 – Samhain
<b>Zoroastrianism</b>	2 – Mehregan
	12 – 16 – Ghambar Ayathrem
<b>Aboriginal Spirituality</b>	Pekelanew (The Moon That Turns the Leaves White)

These dates were highlighted in the Multifaith Calendar which is distributed by the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan.



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