

IMAGINATE ONE-DAY CONFERENCE:

Friday, April 17, 2020

8:00 AM – Registration Open

9:00 AM - Keynote Speaker

Senator Kim Pate - An Independent Senator and member of the Order of Canada, Kim Pate is a nationally renowned advocate who has spent the last 35 years working in and around the legal and penal systems of Canada. Senator Pate continues to make significant contributions to public education around the issues of women's inequality and discriminatory treatment within social, economic and criminal justice spheres.

10:30 AM - Morning Workshop Choices

A. The CommUNITY Project: Film & Panel Discussion

The community spirit of an interactive art project reflects how social connection can serve as the antidote to the overdose crisis. Following screening of this short film, filmmaker Megan Murphy, will host a panel hearing from people with lived or living experience of substance use and addiction about the role community can play in recovery.

B. Ordinary Magic: Interactive Workshop

Resilience is the ability to overcome adversity (traumatic events or conditions, suffering) and "bounce forward." Krista Mathers (Therapeutic Family Care) and other community leaders will explore real-life examples of Ordinary Magic that can spark resilience in person who is struggling against adversity.

C. Bookworm: Theatre Performance

Storyteller/songwriter Corin Raymond explores his relationship with his childhood through the books his father read aloud. This celebrated stage performance is threaded throughout with Ray Bradbury, Spiderman, and the Minotaur.

11:45 AM - Lunch

Onsite lunch by Cultivate Festival included with conference ticket.

12:30 PM – Live in Concert

Musicians Alysha Brilla and Lorraine Segato bridge generations of activism through their music.

1:15 PM - Afternoon Workshop Choices

D. Lowdown Tracks: Film Screening

Activist, filmmaker and Juno award-winning musician (with her band Parachute Club), Lorraine Segato discovered amazing talent on the streets of Toronto. In Lowdown Tracks she records their stories and songs where she finds them: in alleyways, along abandoned tracks and inside shelters. Q & A to follow.

E. Lishai Peel: Interactive Workshop

Lishai Peel, an award-winning, spoken word poet and community animator, will challenge participants to creatively draw on their own life experience to make change through advocacy and promoting social justice.

F. ABCD: Workshop & Tour

Asset-based community-driven development (ABCD) is an innovative way of working with communities that focuses on strengths and assets rather than on deficits and problems. During this session, Jonathan Massimi, Supervisor of Community Centres with the City of Kitchener, will introduce the concepts of ABCD, leading into a downtown Cobourg walkabout.

3:00 PM – From Understanding to Action

Respected as leaders of collaborative community initiatives, Kerri Kightley (Built For Zero Canada) and Christian Harvey (One City Peterborough) will lead participants through a small group engagement process, reflecting on lessons learned and prompting next steps.

4:00 PM – Closing Remarks