## Erlton Community Association Newsletter – Mar. 2025 ErltonCommunity.com

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Morning Sky in Erlton – Photo by Jessica.

Please join us in the Riverview Room at the MNP Center on **Tuesday, Mar.11th at**7:00 PM for our Monthly Meeting

The ECA is asking for volunteers to join committees for Traffic, Parks, Social Events and Planning and Development. Volunteering with the ECA is great way to meet your neighbours, make some new friends and provide a positive influence in our community. Please email ErltonCommunications@gmail.com if you can help us out.

What's Happening:

*March 4, 11, 18, 25* 802 Challenge – Calgary Tower 4:00PM-7:00 PM.

For information, email events@calgarytower.com.

March 6,13,20,27 National Music Centre (NMC) Jam Club for Teens.

March 14: Free Soccer Fridays, 4:30 -6 pm Calgary Soccer

*Annex – Delta* (<u>www.calgaryminorsoccer.com</u>).

March 16-18: Earth Science for Society Free Family Event..

MacEwan Hall at U of C (www.esfscanada.com)

for event information.

March 21: Spring Equinox Bonfire at the Erlton Garden

6:30-9:30 pm.

May 2, 3, 4 Janes Walk YYC.

May 4 2025 Pathway and River Clean-up.

NMC Jam Club at Studio Bell: Free After-School Music Program for Youth 13-19 yrs. Youth are invited to jam, practice their skills and explore their creative potential every Thursday at Studio Bell. First come-first served basis, instruments available at NMC.

When: Thursdays until June Time: 3-6 pm.

Where: Studio Bell at National Music Centre Address: 850 4 Street SW Calgary AB Website: www.studiobell.ca/jam-club.

March 20 at 3:01 am MDT – First day of Spring. This season will last for 92 days, 17 hrs. and 40 minutes. (www.TimeandDate.com).

#### 2025 Erlton General Meetings at the MNP Riverview Room at 7pm.

March 2025: March 11th.

April 2025: April 8th.

May 2025: May 13th

June 2025: June 10th.

July 2025: No meeting

August 2025: No meeting

September 2025: September 9th.

October 2025: October 14th.

November 2025: November 11th.

December 2025: December 9th.

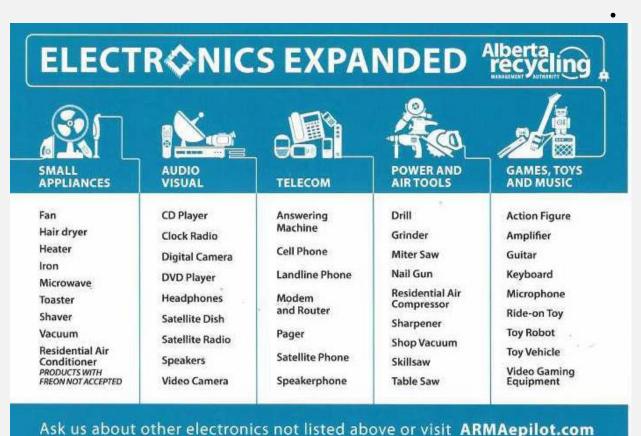
#### Have you renewed your 2025 ECA Membership yet?

Your current membership expired on Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 2024. The cost to renew is \$10.00 per member and Seniors over 65 yrs. are free. Active members are elgible for various perks in the community as well as receiving our newletters and voting at meetings. The ECA relies on the sale of memberships to pay our fixed operating costs.

Visit ErltonCommunity.com for payment options.

We are planning to host our 3rd Electronic Recycling Round-up on Saturday. April 26th. To date we've recycled over 2000 lbs. of items and raised \$700.00. This is a great opportunity to keep unwanted electronics, small appliances, power tools out of the landfills while supporting the development of the New Erlton Community Garden project at the same time! Let's build gardens instead of landfills.

Drop-off locations will be provided in our April 2025 Newslettter.



risk as about other electronics not listed above of visit AkinAephot.com

Visit <a href="https://alphahousecalgary.com/how-you-can-help/">https://alphahousecalgary.com/how-you-can-help/</a> to learn about the different ways you can help Alpha House support vulnerable people experiencing homelessness in Calgary.

# Do you know someone who owns a small business in Erlton?

The Erlton Community Association (ECA) Board of Directors recognizes the challenging environment that small business owners in Calgary are facing and we would like to provide an opportunity to our Erlton Business owners to introduce their business to our membership.

By purchasing a \$10.00 annual membership in the ECA (Dec.1-Nov.30), we will add your Full Page Advertisement for One Month (of your choosing) in our monthly newsletter. This offer is open to all Small Businesses in Erlton and to Business Owners who reside in Erlton. The ad copy will be provided by you and submitted to ECA by the 15th of the month prior to publishing.

If you are ready to take advantage of this opportunity or should you have questions, please contact Lorraine at

<u>Erltoncommunications@gmail.com</u>.

We can't wait to meet you!



SUPPORT LOCAL

**BUSINESS** 

**Do you know** that Calgary has Six Twin and Sister cities?

**Yes, we sure do!** Quebec City, Jaipur (India); Daqing (China); Naucalpan (Mexico); Daejeon (South Korea) and Phoenix (USA).

A sister or twin city refers to municipalities that have established links with communities in other countries for the purpose of promoting culteral and economic ties.

<u>Quebec City</u>: Calgary and Quebec became twins in 1956. The Quebec Winter Carnivale and the Calgary Stampede are two of the biggest culteral festivals in the world.

<u>Jaipur India:</u> Twinned in 1973 because of common interests in industries like engineering and manufacturing.

<u>Daqing, China</u>: Calgary's oil and gas twin is Daqing, China. The cities were paired in 1981 and Daqing Avenue in Calgary's Chinatown was named after this city.

Naucalpan, Mexico: A municipality located in the State of Mexico that focuses on manufacturing and high tech. A sister agreement was signed with Calgary in 1994.

<u>Daejeon, South Korea</u>: In 1996, Calgary and Daejeon entered into a formal sister city agreement to expand science, technology and R&D interests in both cities.

<u>Pheonix, USA:</u> – In 1997 Calgary and Pheonix became official twins. The two cities have tourism in common. Pheonix is also a popular destination for our snowbirds.

Dailyhive.com/calgary/calgary-six-sister-cities.





#### 2025 Property Tax Notices - Customer Review Period Open Until Mar.11th

To help you review your property assessment, we offer general resources on **Calgary.ca/assessment**. The customer review period is open until March 11 2025.

**Property Tax Assistance** – If you own your home and qualify for **Fair Entry**. You may also be able to get support on your property taxes. Visit Calgary.ca/property-owners/assessment- tax/payment.html

**Fair Entry** – An application process for subsidized City of Calgary programs and services. This process will assess your income eligibility for Multiple City programs with a single application. Visit <a href="https://fairentry.calgary.ca">https://fairentry.calgary.ca</a>

#### Find your next job at the Youth Hiring Fair – March 27th:

Mark your calendars! The Youth Employment Centre (YEC) is excited to announce the return of the Youth Hiring Fair on Thursday, March 27 at the Big Four Building from 1:30 – 6 pm.

If you're between the ages of 15-24, this event is your opportunity to meet with 80 employers ready to hire for full-time, part-time, permanent or seasonal positions.

Before the event, be sure to visit the Youth Employment Centre at 315 – 10<sup>th</sup>
Ave. S.E., to receive free assistance with resume building and interview preparation. Our expert employment counsellors are available to help you build confidence and ensure you're ready to make a strong impression on potential employers. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to secure your next job.

Visit Calgary.ca/yechiring for more details.

#### Earth Hour 2025

Calgary Unplugged is an annual family-friendly <u>Earth Hour</u> event. Join us for live music, entertainment and learn about environmental actions you can take in your community. Bring along some personal LED lighting and dance to the DJ when the lights fo down for the Earth Hour part!

Where: Central Library (800 3 Street SE)

Date: Saturday, March 22, 2025

Time: 7 pm – 9pm.

You can still participate in Earth Hour if you can't make it to the event!. Reduce your impact by turning off non-essential lights, "unplug" from electronics at 08:30 and take this time to reconnect with people, play games or hobbies.

Share your participation in Earth Hour on social media with #EarthHour and #EarthHourYYC.

Calgary Unplugged is hosted by the Arusha Centre, with support from The City of Calgary and community agencies.

Email projects@arusha.org with questions.

Mission Bridge Rehabilitation Project Update available at:

Calgary.ca/planning/projects/mission-bridge.html.

Check out <u>Home | Engage (Calgary.ca)</u> for the most up to date City projects looking for citizen feedback.

**MNP Sport and Community Centre Expansion Updates**:

MNP Community and Sport Centre – Expansion Project:

https://mnpcentre.com/unveiling-of-our-expansion-project.



Jane's Walk May 2-3-4 2025: We have so much interesting history in our Community, it would be great if someone could lead a walk or two! If you would be interested in leading a tour, please email <a href="mailto:Erltoncommunications@gmail.com">Erltoncommunications@gmail.com</a>. Instagram @janeswalkcalgary or <a href="https://janeswalk.calgarycommunities-com/lead-a-walk">https://janeswalk.calgarycommunities-com/lead-a-walk</a>.

# A GLOBAL EVENT OF FREE WALKING TOURS IN #YYC

Jane's Walk is a global festival of walking tours that celebrates the life and work of urban activist Jane Jacobs. Whether you're interested in local history or ecology, suburban neighbourhoods or inner city, we've got something for everyone of all ages!

## FREE THE FEET.



Are you passionate about a certain Calgary community, its stories, design, or people?

Mark your calendar for May 2-3-4, 2025.

Jane's Walk is a global event of free neighbourhood walking tours held in Calgary and around the world each May inspired by urbanist and activist. Jane Jacobs.

We are seeking walk leaders to lead a variety of in-person guided group Jane's Walks, anybody and everybody can lead. We have a leader's guide as well as WALK-SHOPS (in-person and virtual) to support you in organizing and leading a Jane's Walk in your community. Register

## THANKS FOR WALKING WITH US!

With over 1500 attendees and 50 different walking tours, Jane's Walk YYC 2024 was a great success! Keep an eye out on our Facebook and Instagram (@JanesWalkYYC) to stay up to date on future volunteer and tour opportunities. Thanks to everyone for joining us this year and we'll see you next May!







"CITIES HAVE THE CAPABILITY OF PROVIDING SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY, ONLY BECAUSE, AND ONLY WHEN, THEY

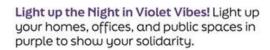
ARE CREATED BY EVERYBODY."

Jane Jacobs, The Death and Life of Great American Cities



This March, let's unite in support of the 30,000 individuals living with epilepsy in Southern Alberta. Together, we can make a meaningful impact. Wear purple, light up spaces, and be part of the movement!





Dress in Grape Glory! Show your support by wearing purple clothing or accessories on March 26th.

**Spark a Purple Revolution!** Be a part of the change! Donate or start a fundraiser.



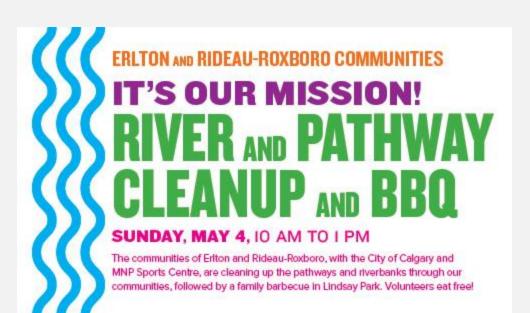
epilepsycalgary.com

Share your purple moments using **#postyourpurple** 











Tree Trunk - Photo by Judy B.





CAs provided 910 programs

Community Association Awareness Month began in 2005 as March Membership Month, but the history of Community Associations (CAs) goes back over 100 years! CAs, like Bridgeland-Riverside, began as informal "get togethers" to organize recreational activites. Today, 90% of CAs offer programs & special events to their residents.

12, 295 Board & Community Volunteers contributed 525,111 hours to support 156 Community Associations and served over 200 neighbourhoods across the city!

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but only sold 57, 583 memberships in 2023.

What do CAs do besides recreation?

- Work with The City & Developers on Community development plans.
- · Improve Community Safety
- · Create & beautify community spaces
- & more!

#### Get Involved Today!





Face capacity issues

#### calgarycommunities.com/MCAAM

Data collected from 2024 Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator Survey