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What's happened in Toronto?

To a student from a student,

Becoming the perfect Torontonionian is not as difficult as you think. Start by learning English at EF School and you will certainly learn this city's secrets.

Don't be shy, act like a cat. Curiosity and boldness are the keys to this new world!

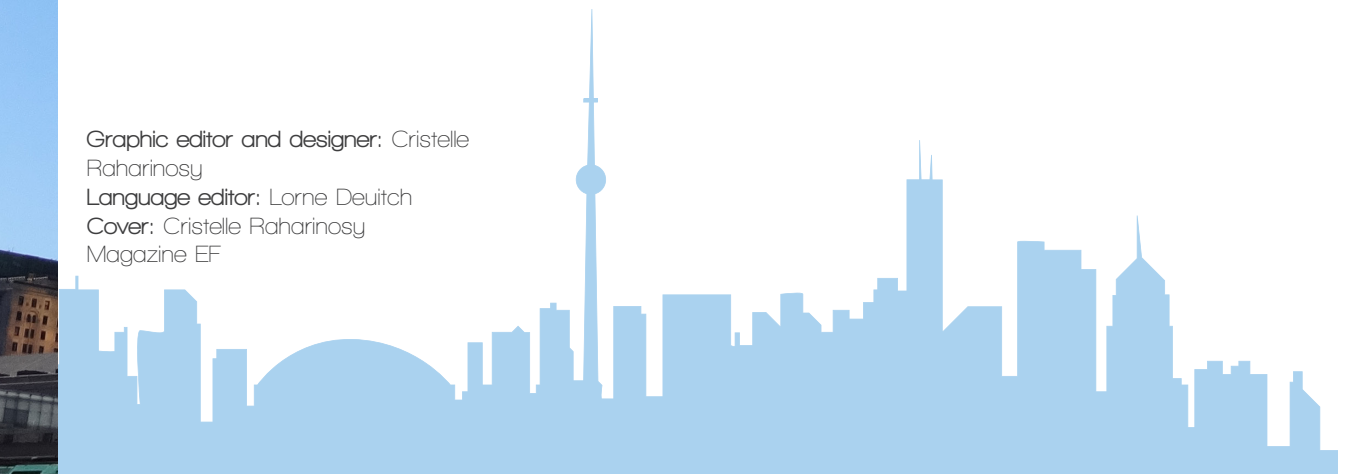
Live this experience as an adventure, conquer and hit like the Blue Jays.

You can't go wrong, tag along with your friends and take everything that this city gives you...

... and Welcome to Toronto!

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Enjoy Toronto With A Good Beer



Enjoy the good weather and enjoy every festival with a Steam Whistle. This beer will give you everything you need for a refreshing drink while having fun with your friends.



Steam Whistle was born in 1998; but everything started with the simple idea of make a Pilsner that would compete with the best of the world. It was created by three friends (Greg Taylor, Cam Heaps and Greg Cromwell) while they were on a canoe trip in the Ontario.

Currently, Steam Whistle has approximately 170 employees at its Toronto location, but only two of the original partners are still in the company (because Greg Cromwell fell in love with an Australian and moved to Australia).

Since 1998, Steam Whistle has dedicated itself to making a premium beer, achieving the perfect combination of ingredients: spring water, malted barley, hops and yeast. With great success, it has become

attractive to consumers and an excellent accompaniment to meals.

They described themselves with the phrase that is also their motto: "Do one thing really, really well." And that is what they have tried to do since the company began.

We think they do, and we agreed with one of their employees, Holly Postlethwaite. She said "we believe it's because we put all our focus into making one type of beer that is brewed locally with fresh all natural ingredients. We believe our motto to «Do one thing really, really well» transcends all aspects of our business including our sustainability initiatives, our involvement in the community through local events our overbuilt packaging and, of course, our premium craft Pilsner. These have earned us a lot of recognition."

Toronto is their home and where they poured their first Pilsner. This year actually marks their 15th anniversary. They are proud to be part of the city and so thankful for the support they have received. ■ **Laura Stephanie Medina Hoyos & Alexia Toledo Aguilar**





What is there to do in the summer in Toronto? If you are here in the summer, you should try the Open Roof Festival at Sudbury in the west end. You can enjoy watching the latest movies as well as enjoy listening to good live music. Great place, good vibes, gorgeous meal!



This summer, the Open Roof Festival was open. It's a not for profit outdoor music and film festival providing Toronto with a summer experience like no other. It highlights independent filmmakers and artists from around the world. This festival is an almost entirely volunteer-driven event and the profit raised is used to support Canada's independent film productions and music communities.

Why Open Roof Festival? There is a festival in New York called Rooftop Films. This Festival's propose is to watch good and independent movie outdoors. The people in charge of Open Roof brought the same concept to Toronto. It's very hard to find a roof on the building that would allow such an activity. They chose

a good place with no roof, it's just an open air with a great view. The roof is the view on the sky, and it's fantastic!

The Open Roof Festival is organised by 20 people, managed by Angela Tu. She's in charge of different teams at the Open Roof Festivals. This festival took some time preparing for opening day. More than 30 people volunteers to help each evening where they welcome guests.

All in all, they have about 190 volunteers. It's amazing, the volunteers are very generous with their time for sharing a great experience, and they can watch the movies too. Open Roof Festival is not for profit, this is the reason they need some volunteers, and some of whom have been here since the beginning. The atmosphere



is very friendly and warm.

The first day was fantastic even if the weather wasn't cloudy. If you're lucky, you can catch some sun. Watching films outside was so exciting, a new experience if you have never tried it before. The program gives you an opportunity to see different genres of movies selected by the movie distributor for the Festival. The selection process for the movies and bands music is not long. There are about 500 films, and all are watched before they are selected by the programmer. They are independent movies not blockbusters, but they are a good films with high quality, popular actors.

For the live music, there isn't an audition, but a lot of the bands have members that worked at the Festival in the past. Open Roof Festival worked too with Slaight Music who propose some good band music.

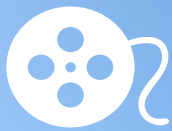
From January to April, Open Roof Festival is actively trying to select the movies. Everything has to be decided one month before the opening night. Last year was a great year but this year

looks like the best year yet!. Sudbury is the best location, it's the second time the festival has been held there, and it's a popular place. The last festival, one of the bands was approached by a producer to be a part of his movie! The Open Roof Festival is not just a festival, but it can give you good opportunities as well!

In Toronto, there are many outdoor Festivals. The Open Roof Festival has a unique atmosphere, where you can share a beer with your friend, listen to live bands, enjoy some good food or snacks and after watching a movie. It's only open in the summer, so if you are here in summer 2016, check it out!

If you want to know the latest information, check Facebook or Twitter @OpenRoofFest. You can buy tickets online, but you can also buy them at the location. The website is openrooffestival.com. ■ Eimi Yoshimura & Cristelle Raharinosy





Bridging Two Worlds Together, One Film At A Time



Every June the Japan Canadian Cultural Centre (JCCC) organizes the Toronto Japanese Film Festival!!



The JCCC represents the Japanese Canadian community's vision. It is an organization that celebrates Japan's unique culture with the sole purpose to introduce Japanese culture for the benefit of all Canadians, not just a community center for Japanese people. Its mandate is to introduce Japanese culture, history, athletics, art and life.

Perhaps the largest event that the JCCC organize is the Toronto Japanese Film Festival, held every June. The focus is to bring popular movies from Japan to Toronto that wouldn't normally be available. This event took place from June 11th to June 26th.

Film is a good tool to help people understand Japanese life. The people

and life are reflected through all types of genres, including history, comedy and family movies. Interested in a historical drama? Watch *A Samurai Chronicle*, *Kakekomi*, or *Snow on the Blades*. For young people? Try *Giovanni's Island* or *Summer/Autumn*. Or would you prefer action or dramas? Then check out *Tokyo Tribe* or *Lady Maiko*. All of these movies are well known in Japan, and people that attend can see a broad spectrum of Japanese society!

The film festival is not profit driven, meaning the culture centre can concentrate on what's import, bringing Japanese culture to Toronto. It has become more and more popular, and this year almost 7,000 attended. All sorts of people come to watch these movies, and about 75% are Canadian or Japanese Canadian. So don't worry, all of the movies have English subtitles!

This festival helps maintain a positive relationship between Canada and Japan, while helping teach Canadians about Japan in a fun and entertaining way. We can help connect cultures through these movies, and help people learn about Japan.



Although the Film Festival is already finished, JCCC provides a wonderful opportunity to connect Japan with Canada. In the words of Gary Kawaguchi, president of JCCC, "The JCCC is committed to building a strong and diverse community by providing a wide range of programming, activities, and special events that promote harmony, friendship and understanding." So if you go there, you can find a lot of new things to try. Please go and visit! Then you can experience and learn about Japanese culture!



Go to their website to learn more: <http://www.jccc.on.ca/en/>

■ Fumika Inui & Kana Usukusa



PERSONALITY ANALYSIS BY BLOOD TYPE

This is a **Japanese horoscope** by blood type! In Japan, you can see your daily fortune by Blood type on TV programs in the morning. Japanese people like fortune telling. Blood type can be divided into four types: A, B, O and AB. **What is your blood type?**

A - Methodical, Coordinational, Tentative, patient, Attentive, Dedication, Indecision, Negative.

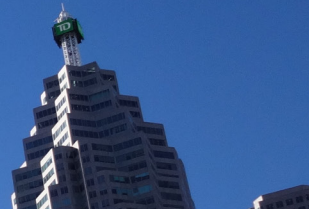
B - Optimistic, Own pace, A doer, Sociable, Have a good imagination, Obstinate, Bored easily.

O - Rough, Have a strong sense of justice, Have a strong independent spirit, Accessible to pity and be easily flattered, Not good at refusal.

AB - Double-sided type A and B, have excellent analytical skills, Fair, Dexterity, Curious, Cynical.



More Than Watching A Game And Buying A Cap!! OK BLUE JAYS!!



Everybody has heard about the Blue Jays and maybe you have seen a game in the Rogers Centre. This is Toronto's baseball team, part of MLB. But who are the Blue Jays really? What is their history? Who are their biggest rivals? Why the hell do Torontonians love their Blue Jays so much!?



In this article we want to give you more information which you can impress your friends and feel like a real "Blue Jay" fan! Because baseball is more than just hitting a ball and running like a rabbit.

Why do people in Toronto love baseball and their team? We think there are two reasons for their popularity.

First, it's the only Canadian Team in the MLB (Major League Baseball)! So it's the only team able to kick American asses, even though the team has many American players.

We interviewed David Harrison, a Blue Jays fan that blogs regularly about the

Jays, to answer some questions. We first asked him about his favourite player. In David's opinion, it is Josh Donaldson, the third baseman. "He can do everything well" David explained to us. And Josh Donaldson is having an amazing season, and may be voted this year's MVP! But in history, he said Kelly Gruber, who played for the Blue Jays from 1984-1992 was his favourite, because David grew up watching him.

Second, and just as important, they are a very successful franchise. According to David, winning the World Series in 1993 was the "most excited game! Game number 6 in the 1993 American League series, in Blue Jays history where Devon White hit a home run" versus the Oakland Athletics. The whole city went crazy.

Rogers Centre is also known as the Sky Dome. It is a multi-purpose stadium downtown Toronto near the CN tower. It was opened on June 3, 1989. Since opening to the public, over 2000 events have been held with more than 60 million people visiting Rogers Centre.



It is home to the Toronto Blue Jays and the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League. And also, the stadium used to serve as home to the Toronto Raptors of the NBA, and also the Buffalo Bills of the NFL for a few games.



Rogers Centre is primarily for sports, but it also holds other large-scale events such as concerts, trade fairs, conventions and so on.

People who live in Toronto totally love baseball and there are a lot of Blue Jays' fans here. We think that Toronto Blue Jays uses the Rogers Centre the most.

The Toronto Blue Jays was founded in 1977. The Blue Jays are a member of the East Division of American League (AL). David said "their biggest rivals in history are the Baltimore Orioles but nowadays the Boson Red Sox." The New York Yankees are a rival as well, especially this year.

Since 1993, the Blue Jays have not made the playoffs, currently the longest playoff drought in Major League Baseball, though the team has remained competitive in its division. But this year the team is strong, and we might have the World Series come back to Toronto this October! We hope it does!!! ■

Sebastian Berg, Miki Matsubayashi & Akane Ueda





HUMBURGERS In Toronto



Toronto doesn't have any traditional food, as Canada is a country of immigrants. But it has some amazing burger places in the city, and we cannot think of Toronto's history without burgers.



Lots of people imagine McDonalds when they think about burgers, but the number of local burger stores is increasing in these days. People seem want this because we are searching for more delicious options, and McDonalds cannot satisfy us any more.

We found a wonderful local burger shop, and we think you're going to like it! **HOLY CHUCK**



Holy Chuck is 3 minutes from St,Clair station on foot. They always serve you the freshest burgers, and you can feel the delicious combination ingredients with your first bite!

We met a guy that comes all the time to eat at Holy Chuck. He said that "What I love is how fresh the meat is, and how simple the ingredients are. It's just ground beef and salt." It sounds so simple, but so good! Another guy we met said "the way the burger cooked is what makes it so good. Having the burger cooked to medium is perfect. Juicy and flavorful".

We interviewed Michail Nusair, a blogger with a website called "Tasty Burgers". He really knows his Toronto burgers!



What is your favorite burger?

"I think my favorite expensive burger is from Bymark, and my favorite everyday burger is at Burger's Priest."

What is the trend of burger?

"The trend right now seems to be doing fast-food-style, griddle-cooked burgers like what Burger's Priest is doing. When they first opened they were one of the few places doing burgers like that, and now pretty much everyone does it."

Check out his blog and twitter to get more information about burgers in Toronto.

Blog: <http://tastyburgers.ca/author/mknusair/>

Twitter: @MichaelKN Holy Chuck Burgers

And make sure you go to Holy Chuck!
Go to 1450 Yonge St., just south of St. Claire station. Are you adventurous? Try the Holy Chuck burger, a double cheese burger with bacon and onion, you'll love it!

<http://holychuckburgers.com/contact-us/>

■ Jeongsu Bae – Shusuke Takahashi



GO CHUCK YOURSELF CHALLENGE

Good Luck!
you're going to need it!

We dare you to finish the "GO CHUCK YOURSELF BURGER & ANY SPECIALTY MILKSHAKE OF YOUR CHOICE" in 6 minutes and we will put your picture on our Holy Chuck "Wall of Fame", give you an exclusive contest t-shirt, plus huge bragging rights! If you can beat the **BEST TIME**, we will **PAY FOR YOUR MEAL!** If you lose, your picture will go on our "Wall of

OUR SPECIALTY BURGERS

THE HOLY CHUCK (OUR SIGNATURE)
DOUBLE CHEESEBURGER WITH BACON & CARAMELIZED ONIONS
PLEASE DON'T ADD TOPPINGS!



The Best Dumplings In China Town!



Mother's Dumplings is a very popular restaurant. You can find it in many guidebooks. They are famous for their dumplings, made fresh right before you eat them! It is located on Spadina Ave. close to College Ave, about 15 minutes from EF.



Mother's Dumplings are famous for their namesake, delicious dumplings! There are many different kinds and have different names based on what the filling is. This traditional northern Chinese food is semi-circular in shape, like pasta formed into a half-moon.

There are also different ways to cook dumplings. At Mothers' they mostly have boiled or steamed dumplings, but there are also some that are pan fried!

Dumplings are not only just a food, but also a representation of Chinese culture. Every part of the dumpling demonstrates a part of the culture, and different fillings have different meanings. For example, celery stuffing represents the meaning

of wealth and industry. Leek has the meaning of long term wealth and happiness for the family. Cabbage is a prayer for having a comfortable life and an enduring love between a new couple. Mushrooms are the mascot for wealth and luck and for the younger generation to be successful. If fish is the filling, the hope is to accumulate more wealth and money. When beef is in the dumplings strong economic growth is being wished for.

We wondered why this restaurant became so popular when there are a lot of other dumplings restaurants in the area. We spoke to one of the employees and he told us "This restaurant has history. At first, it was in the basement. It



was a really small store. They got many customers, because it tasted really good, so they moved here. And they branched into a second restaurant, but still it's a small chain, like a family business."



"And we have also a lot of foreign customers because of guidebooks, but we don't know we have Canadian customers more than Chinese. Toronto has a lot of immigration and Chinese Canadians also can speak Chinese, so we can't tell them. Our taste is different from the real Chinese food because noodles are less spicy and tomato salad is different from the one in china. We think the reason why this restaurant became popular is U of T students and

its professor come when the school starts in winter. Many tourists come as well. I think our food is good, our prices are very reasonable and the location is perfect at College and Spadina. These factors make us successful."

We had to know if what they said was true, so we went to try their dumplings. When we entered we could see that there were people from other countries. We sat down and ordered some food, however, we think the reason why this restaurant became popular is their service!!! The clerks were very kind and they looked like they were enjoying their work! That made us feel good, and we could have a good time.

The food was delicious and we had a great time! Go see for yourself, and enjoy this great Chinese food!

Here's the menu: <http://www.mothersdumplings.com/newmenu.html>

■ Haruna Asaba, Rena Odawara & Yuci Wang





The Best Ramen Shop In Toronto!



What is ramen? Do you know what it is? Have you ever eaten it? Have you even heard of it? If you haven't, then keep reading! And even if you have eaten it before, here you will find out about the best ramen in Toronto!

Ramen is a very famous food from Japan. It is made from many kinds of ingredients, like different types of broth, noodles, vegetables like green onion and seaweed, and meat called chashu.

There are so many variations of ramen, but the most important difference is in the type of broth you choose. There is soya sauce based broth, miso based broth, salt based broth, and pork broth. So many to choose from, and each very distinct!



Egg, corn, butter, garlic, cabbage, bamboo shoots, and pickled ginger. These are just a few that can be eaten!

And now ramen has come to Toronto, and it's becoming really popular! A few years ago it was difficult to find ramen, but not anymore. But we didn't know about that when we came to Toronto, so we were surprised. Then we thought the shop which is named "kinton" was a great ramen shop, so go have a bowl of ramen for lunch one day, you won't regret it.



Next, you can choose from numerous toppings that make your ramen even more delicious!

Infos: <http://www.kintonramen.com/>

■ Shinji Kawamura & Ken Negita





Sudoku



HOW TO PLAY

The rules are really simple! You have to fill in the blank boxes with numbers, from 1 to 9, without repeating the same number in the same line or section. There's only one solution!

Level of difficulty: MEDIUM

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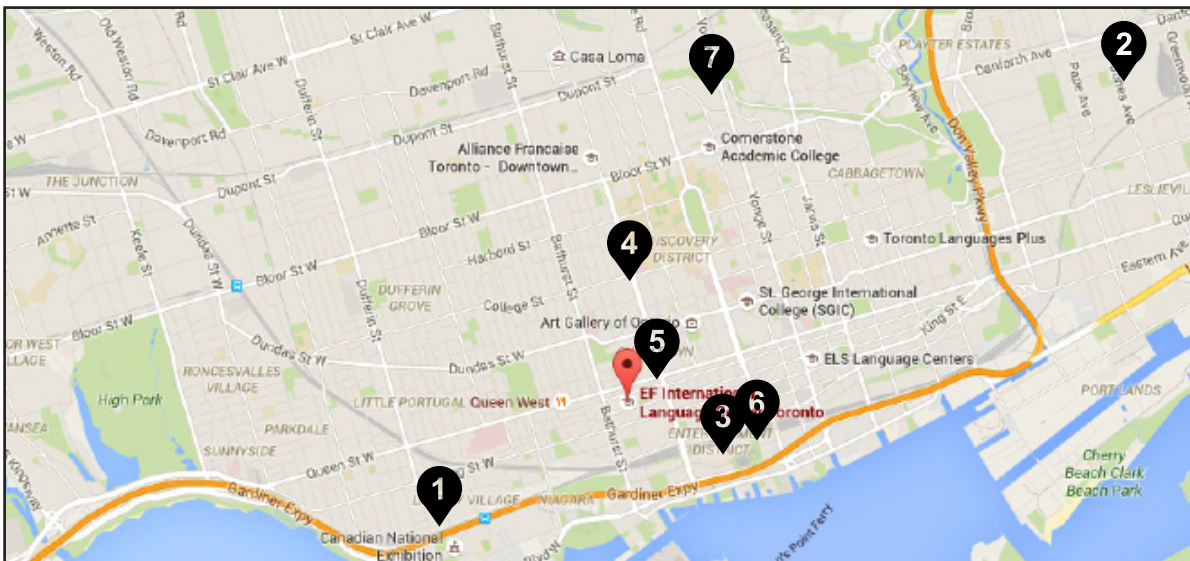
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How To Get There?



1 Open Roof Festival
99 Sudbury St, M6J 3C2
*One block south of Queen St. W.
and one block west of Dovercourt Rd.*

2 Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre
6 Garamond Court, M3C 1Z5
One block to Eglinton

3 Rogers Centre
One Blue Jays Way, M5V 1J1
face to the CN Tower

4 Mother's Dumplings
421 Spadina Ave., M5T 2G6
*Half a block south of College on the
east side.*

5 Kinton Ramen
402 Queen Street West, M5V 2A6
Near School

6 Steam Whistle
255 Bremner Blvd, M5V 3M9
At proximity to the Roundhouse Park

7 Holy Chuck
1450 Yonge St, M4T 1Y7
At the corner on St Clair street



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