**MAD PRIDE WEEK TORONTO 2016**

What: Mad Pride Week is an arts, culture, and heritage festival created to celebrate, empower and build community! We tackle tough topics with Mad tenacity. We share messages of beauty and hilarity through Mad arts. We march in the Bed-Push Parade to show our commitment to activism and to acknowledge our historical strength as a community.

Mad? We reclaim the word “mad” and show our power to define ourselves. Mad is a political tool to include rather than exclude (consumer survivors, people with lived experience, mentally ill, crazy, people with mental health issues, and people with diagnoses and “normals”). EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Highlights: Mad Hatter Street Fair & Market, Bed Push Parade, MADx and SOS music and comedy night parties, a panel discussions on anti-Black Sanism, a discussion on peer supporters, meditation, Tai Chi, and The Friendly Spike Theatre Band! And More! And You!

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**MAD PRIDE is …**
…celebrating talent and intelligence and building community … showing madness and gladness can overcome sadness … speaking back to oppression and stigma … challenging assumptions and celebrating the strengths of ourselves as Mad, Mad, Mad people!
TORONTO MAD PRIDE WEEK 2016
July 11th – 17th

Monday 11th
9:30 Ryerson Annual Activist Lecture Deemphasizing psychiatric diagnosis in postsecondary academic accommodation: A radical reimagining
Speaker: Navi Dhanota, PhD candidate, Critical Disability Studies, York University @Ryerson’s Ted Rogers School 55 Dundas west, 7th floor.

Tuesday 12th
3:00p.m.-4:30p.m. Working in alliance with Psychiatrists, Psychologists and other Heroes: The Good, Bad and the Ugly
Facilitators: Dr. Brigit McWade, Research Associate Lancaster University
Lucy Costa, The Empowerment Council: A Voice for Clients of CAMH
RSVP for room – Lucy.costa@camh.ca required.

7:00p.m. Friendly Spike Theatre Band – “What’s Next...the Big C” Theatrical performance by Henrik Kartna and performed by The Friendly Spike Theatre Band. A psychiatric patient wrestling with mental health issues tries to cope with the possibility that he has cancer. - Preview Show
6 Noble St. (1 block west of Dufferin & Queen.)

Wednesday 13th
7:00p.m. Friendly Spike Theatre Band – “What’s Next...the Big C”

Thursday 14th
7:00p.m. Friendly Spike Theatre Band – “What’s Next...the Big C”

Friday 15th
12:30 pm - 5:45 pm
Academic discussion & self-care at Ryerson
@Sally Horsfall Bldg., 99 Gerrard St East, room # will be posted,
@Eric Palin Hall, 87 Gerrard St. East, Rm. 201

12:30p.m.-1:30p.m. — Intro to Tai Chi* Facilitator: Sifu David Leopold, Chiflow Studios
@Sally Horsfall

12:30p.m.-2:00p.m. — Panel discussion – Anti-black Racism & Madness* Jennifer Poole, Idil Abdillahi, Sonia Meerai, and others @Eric Palin Hall
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2:00p.m.-4:00p.m. – Peer Supporter Strategy and Discussion Session*
@Sally Horsfall

2:30p.m.-4:30p.m. – Improv Workshop for Anxiety* @Eric Palin Hall

4:30p.m.-5:45p.m. – Introduction to Mindful Living* @Sally Horsfall

*Registration available online. Spaces are limited, rush seating available.

---7:00p.m. Friendly Spike Theatre Band – “What’s Next…the Big C”

---7:00 p.m. MADx by Night Comedy, sketch, poetry, and rants
- Imperial Pub 54 Dundas St. E. - $5 or Pay What You Can admission

Saturday 16

Mad Hatter Street Fair & Marketplace
12:00p.m.-5:00p.m. Mad Hatter Street Fair & Marketplace
  - Mad Artists, Writers, Musicians presenting at a Mad Market
  - Mad dance, meditation, spoken word, buttons

3:00p.m. Mad Hatter Tea Party, Hat Showcase, & Contest
@Ryerson - on Gould St. from Victoria to Bond (1 block east of Yonge & Gould)
- 7:00p.m.-11:00p.m. Survive our Stage (SOS at the Imperial Pub) poetry, music

Sunday 17

Mad Pride Bed Push Parade
11:00a.m.-1:30p.m. Mad Pride Bed-Push Parade –
- Parkdale Public Library (1303 Queen west & Cowan) to Trinity-Bellwoods Park AND a picnic!
- We show that we have made progress since 1993’s first “anti-psychiatry” event –
  We are here in the community and living full, fun, and loud lives!
- Parade driven by love, madness and featuring social-justice band Samba Elégua!

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Find your way at Mad Pride 2016

Join us at Ryerson on Monday at the Ted Rogers School of Business
7th Floor / 55 Dundas Street West, Cara Commons,

Venues are accessible and near to the subway. Take the subway to Dundas Station. Parking will be difficult due to traffic and construction.

Questions?
torontomadpride@gmail.com

Hope to see you here!

Friday July 15, activities main Ryerson Campus at EPH Eric Palin Hall, 87 Gerrard St. East
Friday and Saturday July 15-16 at night MADx will be at the Imperial Pub at Bond and Dundas.

Saturday July 16 Mad Hatter Street Fair and Market Place at Ryerson University, Gould Street Pedestrian Zone (Gould between Victoria and Bond Street)
The Empowerment Council Presents:

The GOOD, the BAD & the UGLY:

WORKING IN ALLIANCE WITH PSYCHIATRISTS, PSYCHOLOGISTS AND OTHER ‘HEROES’

DISCUSSANTS:

Dr. Brigit McWade
Research Associate Lancaster University

Lucy Costa
The Empowerment Council: A Voice for Clients of CAMH

TUES. JULY 12th
3:00 – 4:30 PM
Ryerson University Jorgenson Hall
380 Victoria Street.
Library Auditorium LIB72
All Welcome

In the last few years we have seen more collaboration between service users/peers/consumers and professionals such as: psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, education workers etc.

This presentation explores some of these initiatives locally in Ontario and in the UK context to consider the advantages, disadvantages and ethical implications of such dangerous engagements.
Friendly Spike Theatre Band

Limited Run!

WHAT'S NEXT? ... THE BIG 'C'

By Henrik Kartna

Directed by Ruth Stackhouse with Heinz Klein and Honey Novick

In Celebration of Mad Pride Week

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Special introductions nightly from community groups: Mental Health Peer Support Organization, Mad Pride Organizing Committee, Parkdale Community Legal Services, The Yellow Door Café/6 St. Joseph House, The Secret Handshake Gallery, Crazy Talks and Mad Stories, ODSP Action Coalition, The Dream Team and more!

Show Pre-view: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 @ 7 pm

Opening Night: Wednesday, July 13, 2016 @ 7 pm

Limited Run: Thursday, July 14th and Friday, July 15th @ 7 pm

The SCOTIABANK STUDIO THEATRE

Pia Bouman School of Ballet and Creative Movement

6 Noble Street, Toronto

(Enter through Parking lot at the back of the Building)

Reservations are advised at friendlyspike@primus.ca

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MAD PRIDE AT NIGHT!

SOS SURVIVE

OUR STAGE ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Musicians, poets, goofy fun. Join us after the Mad Hatter Street Festival. Bring your hats and win door prizes. Saturday 16th July 2016 - Imperial Pub
Mad Hatter Street Fair and Marketplace!

Sat. July 16, 12:00-5:00

Ryerson University, Gould St Pedestrian Zone

Join us for:
A Mad Artists Market
Music & Munchies
Mad Performers
Creative Expressions
Lots of Mad Fun!

At 3:00, don’t miss:
The Mad Hatter Tea Party
&
Contest!!
Bring your Best Mad Hat, or Make one there

Prizes! Treats! Pageantry!
Mad Pride BED PUSH
July 17, 2016

The Bed Push Parade symbolizes and celebrates Mad peoples’ journey from the institution to the community...

Walk with us in the Bed Push! Bring your costumes, colours, signs, noise, love, appetite, and pride!

SAMBA ELÉGUA will start the rock and we will walk the walk
Meet at 11:30 at Parkdale Library. Parade begins at 12:00.

Celebrate, empower and build community

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