



## Community Events Newsletter

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One of City Council's four mandates for the Edmonton 2004 Celebration is to get the community and citizens involved in Edmonton's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations.

Community groups are encouraged to register their events or projects and be a part of the centennial celebrations. The response has been wonderful. To date, more than 85 community events and projects have been registered to be a part of our centennial celebration. These events and projects are an important part of the city's centennial celebrations.

The Edmonton 2004 Celebration committee thanks the numerous volunteers who put in countless hours of time and dedication into organizing these events and projects.

Join the celebration!

### Edmonton: A City Called Home - A Musical Portrait

Edmonton: A City Called Home is the City's education project comprising two books and an interactive website. To raise funds to place books in schools and libraries, the Cosmopolitan Music Society hosts *Edmonton: A City Called Home - A Musical Portrait* on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium.

Senator Tommy Banks will be the Master of Ceremonies for an evening that features the Cosmopolitan bands and chorus, guest artists and a multimedia show put on by NAIT. Harris Wang, one of the Honorary Chairs for the Edmonton 2004 Celebration, will also perform.

The concert will feature music representative of Edmonton over the past 100 years. The music will highlight the different cultures and time periods that make up Edmonton's history. "We are delighted with the opportunity to celebrate Edmonton's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday through music," Harry

Pinchin, Music Director of the Cosmopolitan Music Society, states.

Linda Cook, Director of the Edmonton Public Library, is pleased to be involved with the education project. "The Edmonton Public Library Board is so very proud to be a supporting partner with Cosmopolitan as they bring the pages of Linda Goyette's book - *Edmonton: In Our Own Words* - to life through a variety of musical interludes."

"The University of Alberta is delighted to partner with Cosmopolitan in this wonderful opportunity to engage Edmontonians in a musical tribute that anticipates the publication of *Edmonton: In Our Own Words* by the University Press. This publication pays tribute to the people of our wonderful city and their place in Alberta and Canadian history." says Dr. Ernie Ingles, Associate Vice-President, Learning Services, University of Alberta.

Tickets are \$20 (general admission) and can be purchased from Tix on the Square or the Cosmopolitan Music Society by calling 432-9333.

 **Cosmopolitan Music Society**

## City of the Future - A Program for Edmonton's Grade 8 Students

As one way of recognizing the City of Edmonton's 100th Anniversary in 2004, the University of Alberta is inviting Edmonton's grade eight students to develop their vision of the City of Edmonton in 50 years time.

Each project must focus on one or more aspects of the City of Edmonton in 2054 and fall within a subject area in the grade eight curriculum. Projects can be display (presentation, model or essay) or performance based (song, dance or play).

Registrations are being accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. All grade eight students in Edmonton are eligible to participate. Projects can be created by an individual, a group or a class. To register, go to: [www.ualberta.ca/senate](http://www.ualberta.ca/senate).

Registrants will participate in the citywide (science fair-style) competition, scheduled for **Wednesday, May 5, 2004** at the U of A Pavilion (Butterdome). The overall category winners from the citywide competition will be invited to display their projects during the City's Centennial celebrations on **October 8, 2004**.

### Grand Prize

Grade eight students were chosen for the City of the Future competition because they will be eligible to enter University in 2008, the year of the

University of Alberta's 100th anniversary. All students who participate in the May 5th competition will be eligible to win the **Grand Participation Prize of Paid Tuition for One Year at the University of Alberta** (restrictions apply). Prizes for the competition category winners will also be awarded, along with a variety of other participation prizes.

### Questions?

Contact Maxine Montpetit at 492-1357 or [maxine.montpetit@ualberta.ca](mailto:maxine.montpetit@ualberta.ca)



### Wilfrid "Wop" May – Vic Horner Flight Re-enactment

On January 2, 1929, Wilfrid "Wop" May and Vic Horner left Edmonton on a mercy flight to deliver diphtheria antitoxin. This historic flight marked the beginning of Edmonton as home of the bush pilot.

On January 2, 2004, the historic flight was re-enacted with the sons of the legendary aviators, Denny May and Bob Horner, on board. More than 200 people attended this wonderful event. This event was co-hosted by the Western Chapter - Canadian Aerophilatelic Society and the Kingsway Business Association.



Eddy the Beaver, the Edmonton 2004 Celebration mascot, having some fun. Eddy can be booked for registered community events by calling 496-8251 at least four weeks in advance of an event.

## Harris Wang Solo Piano Concert

Harris Wang performed at the McDougall United Church in his second solo concert. He is an Honorary Chair for the Edmonton 2004 Celebration.

Harris played the complete Bach Two-Part Inventions and various smaller works. More than 400 people were treated to a wonderful concert.

Visit his website at <http://members.shaw.ca/harris.wang> to find out more about Harris. To obtain a CD of Harris' concert, visit the music store Gramophone at 8724-109 Street.



## Nominations flood in for Edmontonians of the Century

More than 800 nominations were received for Edmontonians of the Century. The Edmonton 2004 office answered hundreds of questions from citizens wanting to know more about the nomination process.

“We are delighted with the response from Edmontonians! People put a lot of time and effort into this as can be seen by the quality packages that we received,” said Wendy Andrews, chair of the Edmontonians of the Century committee.

The committee received nominations for people from various sectors. The list of nominees clearly shows the high calibre of people that have called Edmonton home. The adjudication committee now has the difficult task of selecting from the nominations.

The 100 people chosen as the Edmontonians of the Century will be featured in a book. A list of everyone nominated will also be included in the book. The book will be released in October 2004 to coincide with the City of Edmonton's 100th birthday.

## Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues



The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues' 53rd annual City Wide Talent Show takes the stage from June 3 - 6, 2004 at the Provincial Museum of Alberta Theatre. It's a showcase for young talent in categories from dance to magic, violin to speech arts. And it has served as a foundation for a lot of creative careers in Edmonton. This year, it's also part of the city's 100th birthday celebrations. For the performers, there's professional adjudication, prizes and trophies, and the chance to shine during Edmonton's 100th Anniversary party. To help us highlight more than five decades of history, we are also inviting previous EFCL winners to perform during our finale show at the museum theatre on June 6. Call 436-3184.

The deadline for registration is **March 13, 2004**. For more information on this event, visit the EFCL website at [www.efcl.org](http://www.efcl.org).

## Upcoming Events

**Edmonton Federation of  
Community Leagues  
Talent Show Deadline  
March 13, 2004**

**Edmonton: A City Called Home –  
A Musical Portrait  
March 22, 2004**

**Northlands Farm and Ranch  
Show  
March 24-27, 2004**

**Afro Quiz 2004  
March 26, 2004**

**Edmonton Spring National Stamp  
Show  
March 26-28, 2004**

**Pat Bowlen Fundraising Dinner –  
Edmonton Huskies Football Club  
March 26, 2004**

**Alberta Association of Municipal  
Districts and Counties  
March 28-31, 2004  
Coast Terrace Inn**

This is a monthly newsletter that will focus on community events. Community groups or organizations that have registered their events and projects will be included in the calendar of upcoming events.

If a registered community group or organization would like to make a submission, please email an article (max. 250 words) to [2004@edmonton.ca](mailto:2004@edmonton.ca) by the 10th of each month.

Please note that submissions received may not be included in the newsletter. Submissions that are included may be altered for length and/or content.

Edmonton Celebrates 100 years in 2004

# Join The Celebration !

## Count me in!

- To order a 2004 participation guidebook
- To register your centennial event or project
- To contribute to Edmonton: A City Called Home
- To order customized 2004 merchandise
- To become a corporate sponsor
- To make a personal donation
- To get involved!

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