

Upcoming ENTERPRISE TORONTO EVENTS

January 31, 2012

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FEATURE EVENT



6TH Annual Small BUSINESS ARTS FORUM
NORTH YORK CIVIC CENTRE
9 A.M. – 4 P.M.
APRIL 24

Financing Growth in the Arts!

Enterprise Toronto is hosting our 6th annual Small Business ARTS Forum. Join us as we explore Funding Diversification in the Arts with a morning panel discussion that will include Myles Warren, Ontario Arts Council; Jason van Eyk, ArtsSmarts; Elizabeth Chitty, Artists/Cultural Change Agent to name a few. We will continue the morning with a session on networking and turning leads into prospects and then highlight the event with an engaging lunch hour keynote (TBD). The afternoon will focus on seminars that will educate and inform artists on how to grow and build their art business. More information coming soon on www.enterprisetoronto.com register @ <http://artsforum2012.eventbrite.com>

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



ENTERPRISE TORONTO SEMINARS
MORNING SEMINAR SERIES (February 2012) – 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Topics include: The Power of Email and Social Media; Managing Your Cash Flow; Results-Driven, Marketing: 5 Lessons Learned from the Fortune 500s; Planning your E-Future.

Learn the tools and resources you will need to forge ahead in your business held in various locations. Admission is **FREE** but registration is required at www.enterprisetoronto.com or telephone at (416) 395-7416.



MICRO SKILLS BUSINESS INCUBATOR CENTRE
Business Growth Series
200 Consumers Rd. (North York)
Jan – March

MicroSkills is holding a Business Growth Series for Winter 2012 with courses in Business Planning; Doing Business with Government; Maintaining & Growing; Money Sources. More information contact training@microskills.ca or call 416-247-7181 x2286, <http://microskills.ca>.



National Business and Technology Conference
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
Mar. 23 - 24

If you're a student with entrepreneurial aspirations, this conference is for you! Join more than 300 students and young professions for a two-day event featuring keynotes, workshops, networking and two competitions. If you are under 30 years old you may compete in the Entrepreneurship Competition. More info at www.nbtc.nspire.org.



SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM FOR REGENT PARK & NEIGHBOURING COMMUNITIES
Information Sessions: April 3rd - May 3rd

Do you have a great business idea that you want to convert into a BUSINESS PLAN? The Small Business Program (SBP) provides participants with the tools, knowledge and confidence needed to convert their business ideas and goals into a business plan offered by the Rotman School of Business, SBP is FREE to all participants. Details on how to apply to the program @ www.rotmanexecutive.com/smallbusinessprogram



HOW TO START A FOOD BUSINESS
North York Civic Centre
5100 Yonge Street
March - December

If you are a chef or foodie, these valuable workshops are for you! Hosted by The City of Toronto's Economic Development & Culture Division and delivered in partnership with Enterprise Toronto.

Learn about developing your products, developing your business plan and financing, branding your identity and utilizing the Web to source information. **Admission is FREE but registration is mandatory.** For registration please see, <http://tinyurl.com/7kswmbc>



Entrepreneur's
Toolkit

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BUSINESS NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES



NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 GREEN TORONTO AWARDS
Green Toronto Award \$5,000
Nominations deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Monday, February 6

Who's the greenest of them all? Nominations for the 2012 Green Toronto Awards, the City's environmental awards of excellence, are now open. The awards recognize people, groups, organizations and companies creating a cleaner, greener and healthier Toronto. Details on submitting a nomination: <http://www.toronto.ca/greentorontoawards/apply.htm> Contact Green Living Enterprises: Annette Borger, 416-988-7086, aborger@green-living.ca for more information.

RYERSON UNIVERSITY

GRANTS UP TO \$15,000 TO HIRE RYERSON STUDENTS
iSTEM

Fed Development Grants are available for up to \$15,000 to Southern Ontario small-and-medium enterprises (SME) for student iSTEM Internships. Eligible companies may hire qualified Ryerson University science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) graduates and graduate students for a 6-month work placement. Funding of \$10,000 will be provided for hiring of an undergrad or \$15,000 for hiring a student who holds a degree or is currently in a graduate program. The company is required to match the contribution of the grant. More information at <http://www.whoplusyou.com/JobPosting/>



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	<p align="center">TiEQuest 2012 Now Accepting Applications! Business Venture Competition Quest for Talent, Ideas and Enterprise Deadline to Submit online entries: January 31 (11:55PM)</p> <p>TiEQuest 2012 is now open to registrations and is accepting applications. View criteria for qualifications @ http://tinyurl.com/6suurrvw</p> <p>General overview of the various competition stages and the exact dates of the competition to be held can be viewed @ http://tinyurl.com/6phpkgn. Eligibility criteria @ http://tinyurl.com/7dvqra2. Eligible entries are those that have completed the registration form and paid the \$100 entry fee.</p> <p align="center">  TiE Institute <small>Entrepreneurs Educating Entrepreneurs</small> </p> <p>The TiE Institute offers entrepreneur courses until March 2012 and focuses on the age group 20-29. They offer one-to-one mentoring to all students on specific issues and concerns. More info @ http://tinyurl.com/74966mu</p>
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	<p align="center"><u>Ministry of the Environment</u> Environment Activity and Sector Registry (EASR) <u>Effective Oct. 31</u></p> <p>The Ministry of the Environment is transforming its environmental approvals program. The new online system will be faster, smarter and have more streamlined environmental approvals. These program changes will begin to come into effect starting October 31, 2011. Businesses that engage in activities relating to heating systems, standby power systems and automotive refinishing, will be able to register these activities on the EASR. Starting October 31, 2011, the EASR will be accessible on the Service Ontario website (www.serviceontario.ca). To learn more about these program changes, visit: www.ontario.ca/environmentalapprovals. Email: approvals.modernization@ontario.ca.</p>
	<p align="center">Climate Spark <u>Up to \$500,000 in Funding for Projects that can Help our City and our Climate!</u></p> <p>Do you want to grow or launch a venture that helps our city, our community and our climate? Or want to help us select the winning entries and earn a chance to win great prizes like a city scooter? The ClimateSpark Social Venture Challenge (www.climatespark.ca/sv) is putting \$500,000 in funding on the line for cool Toronto ventures that can help our climate and our city. To enter the contest www.climatespark.ca/challenge. Be part of building some great climate solutions.</p>
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