

CHILD-FRIENDLY CITY DAY IN OTTAWA 2008

Marking the anniversary of the November 20th, 1989 signing of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child & celebrating with persons turning 18 years in 2008.

5TH ANNUAL ECIS HONOURING AND CELEBRATION

November 10th, 2008

Library & Archives Canada

6:30pm-9:00pm



*It takes a village to raise a child.
(Ancient African Wisdom)*

*2008 Honourary Patron Mayor Larry O'Brien
With the support of Chief Vern White (the Children's
Police Chief ECIS)*

ADMISSION: FREE

**We ask you to make a donation to support
the child-friendly work of:**

**Bempong Foundation
www.bempong.org**

**Jaku Konbit
www.jakukonbit.com**

***Let's Sing! Let's Drum! Let's Laugh!
Let's Play! Let's Honour! Let's Celebrate!***

Dinner, Catered by David Smith, Nate's Deli

Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey
Senior Pastor, Parkdale United Church

Every Woman's Drum

Every Woman's Drum, Women of First Nations

Spirit Plate

Minnie Matoush

O Canada

Sahar Macawee, Mykal Bakker-Westeinde & Marieke
Bakker-Westeinde

Mayor's Proclamation

Read by Marcus Swinimer

Every Child is Sacred Song

The Big Soul Project directed by Roxanne Goodman

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey

Messages

His Worship Mayor Larry O'Brien

Chief Vern White, Ottawa Police Chief

Let's Laugh!

Sophie Terrasse, Laughter Yoga Coach

Let's Play!

Dr. Terry Orlick, Zone of Excellence

ECIS Recognition of Honoured Villagers

- **Bart Bakker**
- **Joshua Franson**
- **Abid Jan**
- **Tyler Meredith**
- **Alex Munter**
- **Dr. Terry Orlick**
- **Bempong Foundation**
- **Jaku Konbit**

- **2008 Children and Youth Agenda, City of Ottawa & United Way/Centraide Ottawa**
 - ◆ **Steve Kanellakos**, Deputy City Manager, City of Ottawa
 - ◆ **Eileen Dooley**, Vice-President, Community Services, United Way/Centraide Ottawa
- **Senator Celine Hervieux-Payette**,
 - ◆ Received by Senator Joan Fraser

Welcoming 18yr olds to Child-Friendly Adulthood

Responses:

Steve Kanellakos, Deputy City Manager, City of Ottawa
Eileen Dooley, Vice-President, Community Services,
 United Way/Centraide Ottawa

Senator Joan Fraser, Former Chair, Senate Standing
 Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Thoughts:

Mory Kaba, Grade 9 Student, Glebe Collegiate Institute,
 OCDSB

Nana Kwabena Bempong, Mary-Honeywell Public
 School, OCDSB, Founder, Bempong Foundation

Celebration

The Big Soul Project

You are invited to show in the space below, your artistic conception of "Every child is sacred" and "It takes a village to raise a child" and share this with us at edutrack@trytel.com



Marilee Rhody,
 Wakefield, Ottawa,
 Ontario



Carey Newman,
 New Raven Gallery
 British Columbia

**Honourary Patron
2008**

Mayor Larry
O'Brien

Patron 2007

Mayor Larry
O'Brien

Patron 2006

The Honourable
Landon Pearson

Patron 2005

The Honourable
Senator Mac Harb

**Every Child is Sacred
Honoring Celebration**

is conducted by

June Girvan
David Smith
Heyam Qirbi
Afnan Kaid
Sarah Onyango
Marcus Swinimer
Sahar Macawee
Mykal Bakker-
Westeinde
Marieke Bakker-
Westeinde

ABOUT ECIS

ECIS is a community circle of child-friendly "villagers". We mark Canada's national Child Day and the UN Universal Day of the Child

Our Belief:

The CRC is a summary of the ideals of all civilizations and cultures, secular and religious that holds the child to be a sacred being. Examples include the nativity story and the Lakota people, whose word for "child", *wakenyega*, translates into English as "sacred being", "standing sacred".

Our Theme:

"Every child is Sacred" and "It takes a village to raise a child."

Our Vision:

Every child is a sacred being and entitled to Child-friendly cities, communities and spaces wherever they may be...

Our Mission:

- To promote a culture of appreciation, honouring and celebrating child friendly "villagers" who honour the child;
- To make Child Day as well known as Mother's Day and Father's Day;
- To partner with child-friendly others to promote the UNICEF Child Friendly Cities model.

ECIS CHILD DAY PARTNERS 2008



Confidence
Boosters



Mothers for Peace

Black History Ottawa



David Smith
Deli & Catering