



# Collingwood Neighbourhood House (CNH) H I G H L I G H T S

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## Enjoy artistic, cultural, recreational and other opportunities at CNH's new annex!

by Norman Hill

Imagine being able to attend a theatrical or musical performance, try out Chinese classical dance or participate in cooking classes right in the Renfrew-Collingwood neighbourhood.

These are exactly the kinds of activities that will be possible at Collingwood Neighbourhood House's (CNH's) new annex, which is expected to open in April/May of 2018.

The annex will be located on the main floor of a new condominium tower being built on Vanness Avenue between Boundary Road and Ormidale Street. For now, the annex is a concrete shell with a floor, ceiling, and pillars. Glass walls will be installed later this spring. The annex was designed by GBL Architects and is being built by Wall Financial Corp.

Just a short walk along Vanness from the Joyce-Collingwood SkyTrain station, the annex will include over 10,000 square feet of space. This includes a large multipurpose room with a sprung floor (as in a dance studio), a portable stage, a sound system and theatrical lighting. It could be used for dance or fitness classes, meetings, movie nights, family dances, celebrations, theatrical or musical rehearsals and performances, arts shows and receptions.

There will also be a 900-square-foot, commercial-grade kitchen, an approximately 700-square-foot multipurpose arts room, a children's room, office space, a staff break room, and 51 parking spaces.

Community members have already expressed an interest in using the Annex for dance classes, art exhibitions, and theatrical performances. Other community members are interested in starting a community theatre group. A community band is hoping to use the annex for its practices. The multipurpose arts room



would also work well for art classes or use by local artists.

Some of the Renfrew-Collingwood Food Security Institute's cooking programs may be run out of the new kitchen. It may also be rented out to community members who want to start a small food business, which requires the use of a commercial kitchen.

The children's room will be used for childminding while parents are participating in the annex's programs and services. It could also be used as a licensed preschool facility or for yoga classes.

Most of the spaces in the annex will also be available for rentals, such as events or parties.

After the annex opens, CNH's Joyce Street building will remain as CNH's main site. Programs, services and initiatives will run out of both sites.

To follow the progress of CNH's annex, community members can visit the 'CNH Annex Blog' at <http://www.cnh.bc.ca/cnhs-new-annex/cnh-annex-blogs/>

Those with questions or who are interested in finding out how they can support CNH in completing the annex may contact CNH Executive Director Jennifer Gray-Grant at [jgray-grant@cnh.bc.ca](mailto:jgray-grant@cnh.bc.ca).

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

Collingwood Neighbourhood House invites you to lunch every Tuesday and Thursday. Full meal prices are \$6.25 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for students and \$3.25 for children under 12. Items can be purchased a la carte or "to go."

#### March lunch menu

##### Thursday, March 2

Chicken cacciatore on brown rice / veggie option  
Salad  
Pecan tart

##### Tuesday, March 7

Black bean soup  
Crab cake / veggie cake  
Salad  
Chocolate zucchini cake

##### Thursday, March 9

Baked lemon white fish with roasted potatoes  
Salad  
Coconut white chocolate cookies

##### Tuesday, March 14

Cauliflower soup  
Turkey or veggie enchilada  
Salad  
Vanilla pudding

##### Thursday, March 16

Beef Stroganoff on egg noodles / veggie option  
Salad  
Minty shortbread cookies

##### Tuesday, March 21

Carrot orange soup  
Roasted chicken or veggie wrap  
Salad  
Lemon cupcake

##### Thursday, March 23

Stuffed chicken or eggplant with spinach & feta cheese  
Roasted vegetables  
Salad  
Chocolate chip cookies

##### Tuesday, March 28

Red lentil soup  
Beef burger / veggie burger  
Salad  
Carrot cake

##### Thursday, March 30

Meat or veggie loaf with mashed potatoes  
Salad  
Chocolate quinoa cake



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