

## News from Mural Routes and the mural community Summer 2014

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Don't miss the **9th  
Global Mural  
Conference**

**August 14-18 in  
Sherbrooke,  
Quebec**

### Scarboro Junction Mural

Artist **OMEN** has been selected to paint at the Underpass at Warden and St Clair; In partnership with SreetARToronto Underpass Program.

### The **RADI'AAL ENCOMPASS MURAL**

by **Evond Blake (MEDIAH)** is underway at Woodbine and Gerrard in Toronto. Funded by the City of Toronto stART Partnership.



## Eastern Gateway Mural: Highland Creek

**Mural Celebration: Friday Aug 15th at 3pm**

All are invited to join in the celebration of Creekside, the "Eastern Gateway" mural, at 277 Old Kingston Rd. (east parking lot) in Highland Creek Village, Scarborough. The lead artists and artist team will be present for a meet and greet, as well as staff from organizing partners Mural Routes and Cultural Hotspot. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Creekside, also known as the "Eastern Gateway" mural is one of the signature projects of Cultural Hotspot - East. The bright and beautiful mural is a permanent piece of public art created to welcome visitors entering south Scarborough from the east. The nature themed mural design celebrates the flora and fauna for which the Highland Creek area is well known. The mural design was inspired by the research and art of a local intergenerational group who took part in Mural Routes' Step x Step: Intro to Mural Art program at Morningside Library this past spring.

Emerging muralist Emily Harrison designed the mural, with the assistance of Peter Rahul, and led the artist team in her first major mural project. The support team of 9 youth and young adults (made possible through summer student employment grants) was supervised and mentored by Mural Routes' Youth Programs Manager, Rob Matejka.



**Have any opportunities that you would like to share? Please send your information to [info@muralroutes.com](mailto:info@muralroutes.com) with "newsletter entry" in your subject line.**

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The mural production took 8 weeks in total to complete; the group began training the first week of July. Those interested in watching the process photos of such a large mural can see documentation at: <http://on.fb.me/1ouwxGX>



## New Birch Cliff Mural at Local MP's Office

The facade of 1674 Kingston Rd is having a makeover - and it's going for the 'natural look'. A new mural, as part of the **Birch Cliff Community Mural Project**, is being painted on the two-storey storefront of local MP Dan Harris' office. The mural design includes a local breathtaking landscape: the Scarborough Bluffs, and also includes birch trees - which connects it to the theme of an ongoing community project.

The mural was designed and is being painted by Mural Routes artist Tara Dorey with assistance from Peter Rahul and students of the Leadership Training in Mural Making 2014 program.

Stay Connected with the Birch Cliff Community Mural Project  
 Blog: [www.muralroutes.ca/category/community/birchcliff/](http://www.muralroutes.ca/category/community/birchcliff/)  
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## Western Gateway Mural with StreetARToronto Underpass

Three artists were shortlisted through a Call for Artists issued by the StreetARToronto for their Underpass program StART UP. Toronto artist **Bill Wrigley** was selected to design and paint the mural.

This project is being supported by City of Toronto through

StreetARToronto Underpass program and Cultural Hotspot

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## 20 Years of Murals, a Retrospective Exhibit Mural designs exhibit at Morningside Library looks back on Mural Routes' 20 years of mural making in Scarborough and Toronto

This August, Mural Routes has partnered with Morningside Library to display artist mural designs from the past 20+ years of the organization's mural making history. 2014 is an important year for Mural Routes; the organization was officially incorporated in 1994 and is celebrating its 20th Anniversary.

The 20 Years of Murals exhibit shows viewers a behind-the-scenes look at mural artists' designs and sketches, expertly planning out composition and colour for their wall site. Designs are displayed in order by date, to showing the evolution and changes in artistic style over the years. The exhibit also includes photos of the finished murals for comparison.

This exhibit will be on display at the Morningside Library, 4279 Lawrence Ave E. for the months of August and September. Library Hours are Monday to Wednesday 9am – 8:30pm, Thursday 12:30pm – 8:30pm, Friday and Saturday 9am-5pm.

For more information about Mural Routes and their projects, visit the website [www.muralroutes.com](http://www.muralroutes.com) and subscribe to our Projects & Programs blog [www.muralroutes.ca](http://www.muralroutes.ca)

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