

# Annie opens Friday at Milton Centre for the Arts

Rehearsals are in full swing as cast members in Georgetown Globe's Youth Company production of *Annie* which opens Friday for three days only. The cast gathers at the Old Armoury several nights a week. The three leads (centre, in back by the microphone), Ryan Jeffery (Daddy Warbucks), Mari MacDonald (Annie) and Thomas Morly (Bert Healy) and Topaz, (who plays Sandy the dog) were surrounded by chorus members during a rehearsal. *Annie* features youth, ages 8-20, at the Milton Centre for the Arts, 1010 Main St. E., Milton. This musical tells the story of an orphan (Annie) who is searching for a family to call her own. Suitable for ages 5 and up. Performances May 11-12, 8 p.m. and May 12-13, 2 p.m. Tickets, call 905-878-6000 or go online at [www.miltoncentreforthearts.ca](http://www.miltoncentreforthearts.ca) or [www.globeproductions.ca](http://www.globeproductions.ca) under the What's Playing tab.

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## The Regional Municipality of Halton [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca)

### Notice of Halton Region's 2012 Comprehensive Employment Survey

The Regional Municipality of Halton will be conducting its annual Comprehensive Employment Survey. The information collected is vital for monitoring the Region's economic health, as well as aiding in policy and decision-making. It is essential background data for forecasting and planning the Region's infrastructure and services for Halton residents and businesses.

Between May and September 2012, a team of surveyors from the Region's Planning Services Division **will visit each and every business establishment in Halton** to gather information about the number of employees working at each location and the type of employment taking place there. The surveyors will wear a Halton Region shirt and cap, each bearing the Halton Region logo, as well as a visible photo ID card that identifies them as part of the "Halton Employment Survey Team 2012". All data collected from the survey will be grouped together and released to the public as statistical highlights of economic and employment patterns and trends. Individual business information will **not** be identifiable or published in the survey results. Survey results will be shared with our Local Municipalities and used for planning and municipal related purposes. We plan to publish an Employment Survey Bulletin highlighting overall employment patterns and trends in early 2013.

The success of this important survey depends upon the assistance and co-operation of the Region's business community. If you have any questions or comments regarding the survey, please dial 311 or contact Planning Services at 905-825-6000 ext. 7206.

### Mental Health Awareness Week

May 7-13, 2012 is Mental Health Awareness Week, and the Halton Region Talking about Addictions and Mental Illness (TAMI) program held two community forums on May 7 and 8 to help increase understanding about mental health and decrease the stigma associated with it. The forums were held in Burlington and Oakville, and attendees listened to a presentation by the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario and also a first-hand account from a speaker sharing her personal experience with mental illness. If you need mental health support or services, please call the Halton Region Health Department by dialing 311 or visit [www.halton.ca/mentalhealth](http://www.halton.ca/mentalhealth).



Gary Carr  
Regional Chair

### Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

May 21 - Holiday - Office closure

Meetings can be viewed at [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca)

### Halton Small Business Centre Upcoming Business Seminars and Programs

#### Media Relations and Opportunities:

Take away the basics of working with the media – writing a news release, preparing for a media interview and building a relationship with the media.

Wed., May 16  
Halton Regional Centre  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
\$25/person

#### Small Business Financing and Insurance:

Presented by RBC Royal Bank, this session will review financing and insurance needs for small business.

Wed. May 23  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Halton Regional Centre  
No cost, but registration is required

#### Getting Started Information Session:

This is a one hour overview of all the rules and regulations you need to know about if you are starting a business in Halton. Staff will guide you through a checklist for starting a new business which you can take home. These are casual, informative small groups of five or less.

Every Tuesday  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Halton Regional Centre, Small Business Centre  
No cost, but registration is required

#### Canadian Youth Business Foundation (CYBF) – General Information Session:

This is a one hour overview of the CYBF financing program, including a review of the application process and evaluation and eligibility criteria. Canadian Youth Business Foundation provides financing based on character and a great business plan of up to \$15,000 for young entrepreneurs between 18 and 34 years of age who are looking to start their own full-time small business.

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month in 2012  
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Halton Regional Centre, Small Business Centre  
No cost, but registration is required

#### Business Banking and Credit Discussion:

This is a one hour information session highlighting how to make your discussions with your bank successful. Items reviewed include the importance of a business plan/ cashflow projections; what credit solutions work best for your business; why it is important to be prepared to invest in your own business and being a good credit risk.

One Wednesday each month  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
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Contact us for more information and registration details for these events.

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