

## Halton Small Business Centre

### Upcoming Business Seminars and Programs

#### Starting a Small Business Seminar:

A general overview of the things you will need to consider, along with resources to help you succeed. Covers structure, registrations, regulations, licences, taxes and financing options.

Wed., Feb. 6  
Burlington Central Library  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
\$25/person

#### Marketing – Research & Cost

**Effective Ideas:** Identify why and how conducting market research can impact your business success and learn some cost effective ideas to market your business.

Wed., Feb. 13  
Halton Hills Public Library,  
Georgetown Branch  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
\$25/person

#### Women Entrepreneur Event:

A half day session that will include keynote speaker, Hellen Buttigieg, Certified Professional Organizer®, Life Coach, TV Host; spotlights on local women entrepreneurs; strategies for social media; an expert panel; as well as time to connect with other women entrepreneurs!

Wed., Mar. 6  
7:45 am – 12:00 noon  
OE Banquet Hall & Conference Centre,  
Oakville  
\$30/person

**First Steps in Exporting:** Understand the resources, programs and services available to potential exporters including export readiness, market research, export planning and practical issues.

Wed., Mar. 13  
Halton Regional Centre  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
No charge, but registration required

#### Getting Started Information

**Session:** 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. These are casual, informative small groups of five or less.

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

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

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 39 years of age who are looking to start their own full-time small business.

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month in 2013  
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Halton Regional Centre,  
Small Business Centre  
No cost, but registration is required

Contact us for more information and registration details for these events. Join our online community.

Get connected at  
[www.haltonsmallbusiness.ca](http://www.haltonsmallbusiness.ca)



## Welcome to Halton

Whether you live in Halton, or are just visiting, there is so much to discover, regardless of the season. Halton Region boasts some of the most stunning landscapes and historic views in the Golden Horseshoe. Stepping in to Halton's backyard, you may find yourself visiting a local farm, taking in a festival or spending the day shopping and dining. With countless activities to choose from, the Halton community offers both urban and rural spaces to explore, relax and enjoy. Visit [www.halton.ca/welcometohalton](http://www.halton.ca/welcometohalton) and watch our new Welcome to Halton video to learn more about why Halton is such a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire.



Gary Carr  
Regional Chair

#### Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

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

<b>Feb 6</b>	<b>9:30a.m.</b>	Regional Council	<b>Feb 19</b>	<b>9:30a.m.</b>	Health & Social Services Cmte
<b>Feb 18</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Holiday/Office Closure	<b>Feb 20</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Planning & Public Works Cmte
				<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	Admin & Finance Cmte

Please contact us, as soon as possible, if you have any accessibility needs at Halton Region events or meetings.

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## Resistance tubing

Resistance tubing is an inexpensive and portable way to get a full-body exercise and strength-training workout, using a stretch band or "rope with handles" to get a great workout. Sandy Rahn, a certified instructor and personal trainer recently led a free workshop at the Acton Branch of Halton Hills Public Library.

Photo by Ted Brown



## Town has 'sold out' arts community

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If that's the case, then the Town has sold out the arts community— ironically, for an art collection.

Local artists have been waiting for more than a year, when they could once again exhibit in 'their' gallery— only to have it yanked away in the 11th hour.

Imagine if the Town pulled a similar stunt with one of the new arenas. As they prepare to open it and suddenly the mayor announces the Toronto Marlies have exclusive use for practices? Locals could go and sit in the seats, but not use the ice.

There'd be a war.

Helson's gift is a wonderful addition, but

it comes with a hefty price.

Local artists will suffer— and will ultimately exhibit elsewhere.

And after the novelty time has passed, only the occasional tourist will visit the Helson Gallery. It won't be a 'magnet' like Bonnette says. The 'magnet' is called The McMichael Canadian Art Collection in Kleinburg.

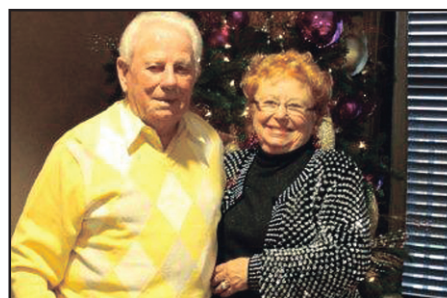
Recently, council okayed \$86,000 to hire a part-time curator and security upgrades for the Helson Gallery.

When I heard that, another thought came to mind.

In 10 years, we have essentially 'bought' the collection.

And our artists still have no gallery.

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