

Williams Mill artists hold library fundraiser with annual spring art show

Spring Into Art—The Mill Artists Group, based at the Williams Mill Visual Art Centre, is holding its annual Spring into Art Showcase, May 3-20.

This year, in collaboration with the Halton Hills Cultural Roundtable, they have decided to host a Silent Auction Fundraising Gala on Saturday, May 11, 6-9 p.m. at the Mill to benefit the Per Chance to Dream Halton Hills Library/Cultural Centre fundraising campaign.

The focus of the Gala will be the Silent Auction of more than 50 visual art pieces from Mill and other local artists and you can preview and pre-bid on pieces until May 11 at the Mill's studios.

The Gala is free admission. There will be tasty treats and everyone is welcome to come and peruse the art, get a Mother's Day family photo taken by Mill photographer Manny Martin, and purchase flowers for your Mom from Vanderburgh Florists.

The Spring into Art Showcase is open weekends, May 3-20, noon to 5 p.m. (or at other times by chance).

... also *Elephant Orphan Project fundraiser*

Williams Mill artists Zsuzsa Monostory, Ken Richardson and others are hosting a benefit for the Elephant Orphan Project for the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust on May 11-12 in the Yellow Building (Manny Martins studio, Marblue Studio) at Williams Mill.

The Trust aids orphaned African elephants in Kenyan, and the artists will be selling elephant bronzes and other artifacts.

This event is being organized by Shelley Viehweber, who learned about the orphans' plight during a family trip to Kenya in 2011.

Community Calendar

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Knit Night: Whether you are new to knitting or a seasoned expert, join the staff at Halton Hills Public Library, Acton Branch for friends, books and all things knitting, 6:30-8 p.m. at Acton Library.

Student volunteers wanted: Thursdays in May from 4-6 p.m. for Stewardship & Monitoring Programs at Willow Park Ecology Centre. Signup at 905-702-9055, www.willowparkecology.ca/volunteerform.html

Limehouse euchre: 7:30 p.m. at Limehouse Memorial Hall. All welcome. Sponsored by the Limehouse Memorial Hall Board with proceeds to help maintain the historic building.

Bingo every Thursday hosted by Halton Hills Optimist Club, 13439 Hwy. 7, 7-9 p.m. Cash prizes. Fundraiser for youth activities.

Thursday afternoon euchre: 1:15-3:30 p.m. at the Acton Legion, 15 Wright Ave. Hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. Everyone is welcome. Come out and meet others for a good time. Admission: \$2.

For more community events go to www.theifp.ca/whats-on/events

Nordic pole walking

Try Nordic Pole Walking at various times, morning and evening sessions, throughout the week in Acton and Georgetown. For more details call Nordixx Pole Walking master instructor Ginger Quinn, 905-691-9122.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Notice of Study Completion and Transportation Environmental Study Report Submission Highway 401 Improvements from East of the Credit River to Trafalgar Road W.O. 07-20021

THE PROJECT

URS Canada Inc. has been retained by the Ontario **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** to undertake a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for improvements to Highway 401 from east of the Credit River to Trafalgar Road (9.7 km) in the Town of Milton and the Town of Halton Hills, in Halton Region and the City of Mississauga, in the Region of Peel.

THE RECOMMENDED PLAN

The Recommended Plan includes the following:

- Widen Highway 401 to a 12-lane core-collector system; including two High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes and 10 General Purposes Lanes (GPLs), from the Credit River to Winston Churchill Boulevard;
- Widen Highway 401 to a 10-lane simple freeway; including two HOV lanes and eight GPLs, from Winston Churchill Boulevard to 407 Express Toll Route (ETR);
- Widen Highway 401 to a 12-lane core-collector; including two HOV lanes and 10 GPLs, from 407ETR to east of Trafalgar Road;
- Bridge replacements at the Credit River, Creditview Road and Canadian Pacific Rail;
- Widen Derry Road Overpass to accommodate the widening of Highway 401;
- Construct a new bridge west of 407ETR for Highway 401 westbound transfer lanes;
- Expand/improve the existing Mississauga Road carpool lot;
- Add a new Winston Churchill Boulevard carpool lot; and
- Other associated improvements (i.e. interchange ramp modifications, drainage, illumination, overhead signing, etc.).

THE PROCESS

This study followed the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* (Class EA). A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has now been prepared to document the need for Highway 401 improvements, the generation, assessment and evaluation of alternatives, the Recommended Plan, a summary of environmental issues and potential mitigation measures and a summary of consultation undertaken throughout the study. **The TESR is available for public review from Friday, May 10, 2013 to Monday, June 10, 2013 at the following locations:**

Ministry of Transportation
Central Region (Toronto)
Planning & Environmental Office
Building D, 3rd Floor
1201 Wilson Avenue
Downsview, ON M3M 1J8

Ministry of the Environment
(Central Region-Halton Peel District)
Suite 300, 4145 North Service Road
Burlington, ON L7L 6A3

Region of Peel
The Clerk's Division
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A and B
Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

City of Mississauga
Office of the City Clerk
300 City Centre Drive
Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

Halton Region
Clerk's Office
1151 Bronte Road
Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

Town of Milton
Clerk's Office
150 Mary Street
Milton, ON L9T 6Z5

Town of Halton Hills
Clerk's Department
1 Halton Hills Drive
Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2

Milton Public Library
Main Library
1010 Main Street East
Milton, ON L9T 6H7

City of Mississauga Public Library
Meadowvale Library
6677 Meadowvale Town Centre Circle
Mississauga, ON L5N 2R5

The TESR will be available on the Project Document Sharing site (www.highway401credit-to-trafalgar.com) on Friday, May 10, 2013.

Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide written comments to MTO and URS during the TESR review period. If, after consulting with Ministry staff and the project consultant, you have serious unresolved concerns, you have the right to request the Minister of the Environment (Ferguson Block, 11th Floor, 77 Wellesley Street West, Toronto, ON M7A 2T5) in writing, to make a Part II Order for this project. A Part II Order may lead to the preparation of an Individual Environmental Assessment. The Minister of the Environment must receive your Part II Order request by **Monday, June 10, 2013**. A copy of the request must be forwarded to MTO and URS at the addresses below. If there are no outstanding concerns at the end of the TESR review period, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact:

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Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant 905 747-1795 (Geoff Coy), courriel : geoff.coy@urs.com.