



Volunteer Calgary's update of resources and activities within the voluntary sector

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO MARGARET BLACKBURN, CVA!

Volunteer Calgary congratulates Margaret Blackburn, Volunteer & Special Events Coordinator from the Salvation Army Community Services, for successfully attaining the credential "Certified in Volunteer Administration" by the Council for Certification in Volunteer Administration (CCVA), allowing her to bear the well-deserved initials CVA following her name. See the press release from CCVA [here](#).

This credential is awarded to individuals who have demonstrated professional excellence in volunteer management. This is determined through an extensive certification process consisting of an examination and the preparation of a performance-based portfolio.

The process aims to verify the candidate's knowledge and ability to apply the core competencies that serve as the foundation for the profession, regardless of the type organization that engages volunteers.

For more information on CCVA or on certification, visit [www.cvacert.org](http://www.cvacert.org).

#### **Considering certification?**

Build up or strengthen your core competencies by gaining the skills and knowledge you need for excellence in volunteer management.

Volunteer Calgary offers numerous training courses year-round designed to aid in your pursuit of professional knowledge. Check out our training programs [online](#).

Look for CCVA sessions this coming fall. For more information, contact Janet Burstall at [jbustall@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:jbustall@volunteercalgary.ab.ca).

### VOLUNTEER CALGARY TRAINING COURSES

Check out the following workshops to begin your professional development journey!

[Engaging Short-Term Volunteers](#)

July 28, 2009

### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

#### **Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) - Calgary & Area Chapter**

Advancing philanthropy through education, training and advocacy.

#### **Calgary Multicultural Arts Society (Fiestaval)**

Provides free multicultural events of excellence and promotes an opportunity to experience cultures of other countries for Calgarians.

#### **EF Foundation for Foreign Study**

A worldwide, non-profit organization dedicated to international student exchange and education which aims to encourage cultural awareness and mutual respect between nations.

### FOR MEMBERS ONLY

*Take advantage of your membership benefits!*

- ✓ **Discounted** rate for the Media Guide. [Grab a copy today!](#)
- ✓ **Free** 1-hour consultation with VC staff.
- ✓ **Free** access to VC library.
- ✓ **Free** inclusion in [Weekly Volunteer Highlights!](#)

Call VC today to inquire.

### VOLUNTEER IN PROFILE

In Partnership with  
  
Volunteer Calgary presents

June's VIP  
**Bert Einsiedl**  
with  
**Clean Calgary Association**

Watch it [here](#).

Give your shining volunteers their

[Screening as a Tool for Risk Management](#)  
**August 13, 2009**

[Elements of Volunteer Engagement](#)  
**September 28 - 29 & November 18 - 19**

[3R's: Recruitment, Retention, Recognition](#)  
**September 10**

[Recruitment 2.0](#)  
**September 28-29**

[Engaging Governance Volunteers](#)  
**October 14 & November 26**

[Integrating Volunteers in Your Organization; Strategic Volunteer Engagement](#)  
**October 21**

[Engaging Short Term Volunteers](#)  
**November 5**

[Interview Techniques](#)  
**November 26**

[Youth Volunteers: The Untapped Resource](#)  
**December 3**

[Engaging New Canadians](#)  
**December 16**

Click on the links to see more details. Training will be held in the VC Office.  
To register, email Helen Shaver at [registration@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:registration@volunteercalgary.ab.ca).

## PAINT THE TOWN THIS SUMMER

Volunteer Calgary's [Paint the Town Employee Volunteer Project](#) aims to create productive partnerships between the non-profit and the corporate sectors. It helps local businesses integrate employee volunteerism into the workplace while building the capacity of the non-profit organization to run successful group volunteer projects.

For non-profit member organizations that have projects or events that require a group of volunteers, click [here](#) to submit a project.

For corporate parties interested in volunteering with a non-profit organization, please click [here](#) to submit your project request.

For inquiries, contact Sue Wilmot at (403)231-1428 or [swilmot@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:swilmot@volunteercalgary.ab.ca).

## A CHANCE TO FLY FOR A CAUSE

Enter the CNIB WestJet raffle for a chance to win a return trip for two to your choice WestJet destination. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to CNIB,

5 minutes of fame!



[Click](#) on the star  
to nominate  
the next VIP

## IMPORTANT DATES

Check out the Community



for more important dates

## WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY?



[Click](#) to view **new**  
titles on the shelves

**Twitter Power: How to Dominate your Market One Tweet at a time.**

*If you are wondering what all the buzz is about Twitter, this book is for you! It is a great step by step guide to getting started and really using this social networking medium to make a positive impact on your non-profit organization. – Karen Franco, Volunteer Calgary*

These books are available at the VC Library on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Kahanoff Centre!

## WHAT ARE YOU READING?

Send a brief review on your recent read and we'll add it on to the book list! Email [vclibrarian@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:vclibrarian@volunteercalgary.ab.ca)

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## DOSE OF INSPIRATION

*Let no one ever come to you without*

an organization that supports people with vision loss.

Draw date is on August 22, 2009. To purchase tickets, contact [pam.swan@cnib.ca](mailto:pam.swan@cnib.ca) or (403)261-7208.

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-Mother Theresa*

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