The 2013 Ottawa Peace Festival & Dialogue with Diversity

Reaching Out Across the Ethnic/Religious Divide

Thursday, 2013-09-26 at 6:30 pm @ Ottawa Public Library As usual, lots of time will be left for discussion!

	Moderator: Qais Ghanem Started the radio show Dialogue with Diversity in 2006. It won the Canadian Ethnic Media Award in 2009 and 2010. Initiated the concept of dialogue between Ottawa Arabs and Jews in 2011. Co-started Mixed Couples Club. 4 years ago he started Dialogue for Democracy, a monthly discussion group with emphasis on audience participation. Currently, he co-hosts radio show "A Luta Continua" on Carlton U CKCU 93.1 FM on Fridays at 9:05 am
	Haiyan Zhang : Certified Management Consultant (CMC). Among other experiences, she has advised many Canadian and international organizations on industries cross cultural effectiveness. Previously, Haiyan was also an international war correspondent, in the Persian GulfHaiyan believes in a balanced approach which combines the wisdom and values of humanity, regardless of Eastern or Western geography.
	Tony Young: He believes that we must strive above all else for understanding of the 'other'. He began asking many questions of his homeland, and seeing the dangers of blind nationalism and ethnocentric ignorance. This led him to start 'DC International Connection'. He ran this academic forum in Washington DC, and as a result hosted many very learned scholars from across the world.
	Sylvia Laale: "There are no enemiesonly brothers and sisters" Has 30 years experience in the private and public sectors as an Organizational Development / Business Transformation consultant engaging in organizational maturity, culture change, high performance teams, and performance coaching, supporting clients in their search for health, humanity and sanity. She has a background in anthropological studies and alternative healing, and has been involved with the Chinese community in Toronto, and Potlucks for Peace/Independent Jewish Voices in Ottawa
	Paul Maillet : retired Air Force Colonel. Paul is the Director of the PAUL MAILLET CENTER FOR ETHICS, specializes in applications of governance and ethics, including controlling wrongdoing and corruption with numerous Canadian federal departments, First Nations communities, and international projects. Also an accredited Peace Professional from the Civilian Peace Services Canada and a strong advocate for human rights and social responsibility.
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