



Tuesday, January 03, 2012

### How Can I Help?

**Honorarium** – Make a donation in Honour of someone special; celebrate a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion by donating on behalf of someone. They will receive a thank-you card from the agency informing them that a donation has been made in their name.

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### Happy 2012

HIV Edmonton hopes you had a fantastic holiday and would like to inform you that we are now open for 2012 during regular business hours.

#### Monday to Thursday

8:30am – 12:00 pm, 1:00pm – 5:00pm

#### Friday

8:30am – 12:00pm, 1:00pm – 2:00pm



### Year in Review: Top HIV Edmonton Related Stories of 2011

#### Feb 2011

**THE LEGACY GALA:** After a 15-month campaign, the Legacy Project wrapped up on February 20, 2011 with The Legacy Gala at the Fairmont Hotel MacDonald. HIV Edmonton has not held a gala event since The Black & White Affair that was retired in 2003 and we were thrilled to be hosting such a party this year.

This 25th anniversary celebration year has been quite successful in raising awareness, garnering support from the media and community-at-large, and re-engaging our champions from the past. Events such as Dr. Elizabeth Pisani's talk in the Distinguished Speaker Series or the recent launch of our coffee table book *Around the Kitchen Table: 25 Years of AIDS in Edmonton* are just two of the many highlights of the year, telling our history to a new audience.

**LEGACY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:** HIV Edmonton is excited to announce that Leah Read is our Legacy Volunteer of the Year. Because of her dedication, spirit and support she has been chosen for this very unique award.

#### Mar 2011

**FAREWELL JOYCE AND MARILYN:** The Board, Staff and Clients of HIV Edmonton wished Joyce LaBriola, Development and Communications Coordinator and Marilyn Morin, Support and Outreach Worker, a fond farewell.



### HIV Edmonton Needs Your Support



Looking for a way to support HIV/AIDS work right here in your community?

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<http://www.canadahelps.org/CharityPrCharityID=s40493>

### HIV and AIDS: Ten big stories in 2011



December 29 2011, PlusNews ~ It's been a roller coaster of a year in HIV and AIDS. AIDS turned 30 in 2011, and with new evidence of the effectiveness of HIV treatment as prevention, experts are increasingly talking about "the end of AIDS"... IRIN/PlusNews brings you 10 HIV-related stories that made headlines in 2011:

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<http://www.plusnews.org/report.aspx:ReportID=94562>

**HIV EDMONTON WELCOMES KEITH:** HIV Edmonton is thrilled to announce that Keith Callihoo has joined the agency as a Support and Education Worker.

**NURSING STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT HIV THROUGH BODYMAPPING:** Aaron Yeo's news report in The Gateway about Lynn Sutankayo, of HIV Edmonton, teaching University of Alberta Nursing student's body mapping has gone media viral, reaching locations around the world

### **HIV prosecutions a 'disgrace': activist**



December 21, 2011, Nick Ashdown, Winnipeg Free Press ~ Winnipegger Jim Kane, a retired railway worker and the Prairies regional director of the Canadian AIDS Society, has been living with HIV for 25 years. Kane said prosecuting people for HIV non-disclosure could make people with HIV/AIDS feel like second-class citizens and this shame could deter people who fear being infected with the virus from getting themselves tested.

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<http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/local-prosecutions--a-disgrace-activist-135983503.html>

### **'Pep Talk' can revive immune cells exhausted by chronic viral infection**



December 13, 2011, ScienceDaily ~ Chronic infections by viruses such as HIV or hepatitis C eventually take hold because they wear the immune system out, a phenomenon immunologists describe as exhaustion. Yet exhausted immune cells can be revived after the introduction of fresh cells that act like coaches giving a pep talk, researchers at Emory Vaccine Center have found.

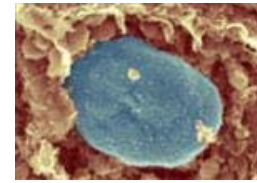
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### **Changing the Locks: HIV Discovery Could Allow Scientists**

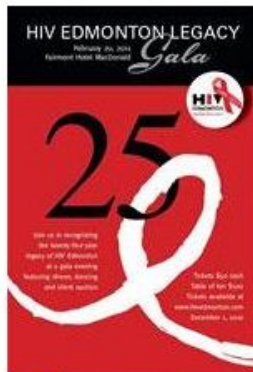
such as Scotland, Australia, Malaysia and India.

**to Block Virus's Entry Into Cell Nucleus**



December 8, 2011, ScienceDaily ~ Scientists have found the 'key' that HIV uses to enter our cells' nuclei, allowing it to disable the immune system and cause AIDS.

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<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases>



**May 2011**

**2011 Artists for Life: Edmonton:** 2011 Artists for Life: Edmonton is a fundraiser produced by JTMF West to benefit HIV Edmonton and was held May 7, 2011 at the Catalyst Theatre. JTMF West is a local arts-centric group with the mandate of raising funds for HIV/AIDS. 2011 Artists for Life: Edmonton is the 2nd event in a partnership with HIV Edmonton and celebrates the works of Edmonton film-maker, Trevor Anderson. Anderson's work has screened at many international film festivals, including Sundance, Berlin, Toronto, SXSW, Outfest and AFI Fest. At Hot Docs, Anderson won the inaugural Lindalee Tracey Award, presented to "an emerging Canadian filmmaker working with passion, humour, a strong sense of social justice and a personal point of view." 2011 Artists for Life: Edmonton also highlighted three of Anderson's films: The Island, DINX, and fresh from trips to Sundance and SXSW, The High Level Bridge.

There will be performances between Anderson's films by three of Edmonton's up-and-coming musicians: Simon-Marc de Freitas, 100 Mile House and David Shepherd. **The Derina Harvey Band** also performed a post-event concert for this year's event.

**FAREWELL LYNN:** The Board, Staff and Clients of HIV Edmonton wish Lynn Sutankayo, Community Education Coordinator, a fond farewell.

**CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL AND VIGIL:** The Annual Candlelight Memorial & Vigil is to honour the lives lost and raise social consciousness about HIV and AIDS. HIV Edmonton held a Candlelight Memorial & Vigil on June 5, 2011 at the Citadel Theatre in the Rice Theatre Lobby (9828 – 101A Avenue).

## June 2011

**PRIDE: STAND UP:** HIV Edmonton invited people to come walk with us in the 2011 PRIDE Parade on Saturday, June 11. We also held an information booth on Churchill Square.

**HIV EDMONTON CONGRATULATES:** Dr. Vera Caine, Faculty of Nursing, University of Alberta as HIV Edmonton's recipient of Bob Mills Community Leadership Award for 2010, and Wendi Freudenreich as HIV Edmonton's recipient of Trude McLaren Volunteer Award of Excellence for 2010.

## July 2011

**FAREWELL DEBRA:** After five years of outstanding leadership, Ms. Debra Jakubec is moving on from her position as Executive Director of HIV Edmonton as of July 15, 2011. Debra's nationally respected expertise and dedication have ensured that HIV Edmonton expanded its services, strengthened its community partnerships, and provided innovative, high quality support to numerous clients. Debra's many contributions to HIV Edmonton and the AIDS movement will have lasting impacts locally and nationally.

Ms. Jakubec leaves HIV Edmonton on a very strong footing to undertake new directions and pursue new opportunities.

**JUST ASK:** HIV Edmonton helps initiate The "Just ASK" campaign with help from Alberta Health Services. This is a series of posters aimed for clients and healthcare professionals to "Just ASK" about STI/HIV testing. The main goal is twofold. First, to encourage clients to advocate for their sexual health and get STI/HIV testing, and second to have healthcare providers ask their clients about their sexual health. The campaign is an attempt to normalize sexual health and make it a part of holistic self care.

**HIV EDMONTON WELCOMES SHELLEY:** HIV Edmonton is thrilled to announce Shelley Williams has joined the agency as our Interim Executive Director. Shelley has worked in the non-profit world for 30 years. For the last 11 years, she has been the C.E.O. of Bissell Centre, an inner city agency in Edmonton. Prior to Bissell, Shelley was the Executive Director of the YWCA of Edmonton and of Edmonton Women's Shelter-WIN Houses.

## August 2011

**2011 MILLICENT'S RED DIAMOND RETREAT:** HIV Edmonton partnered with [The Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose Association](#). The main focus of this year's partnership was to create a youth camp designed for children who are infected or affected by HIV and AIDS. With the coordination of HIV Edmonton's volunteer, Daltyn Evans, The 2011 Millicent's Red Diamond Retreat youth camp was held in August 2011 for children and their families who are infected or affected by HIV and AIDS. The camp was a tremendous success for all those involved.

**ALBERTA PRIMETIME: CRIMINALIZING HIV AND AIDS:** Police recently sought a court order to publicly reveal the name of an HIV-positive teen accused of having unprotected sex without informing her partners. The youth is now in custody facing two counts of aggravated sexual assault. Shelley Williams, Interim Executive Director of HIV Edmonton; along with Tracey Bailey, Executive Director of the Health Law Institute at the University of Alberta; and Dr. Brendan Leier, Clinical Ethicist at the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta were on Alberta Primetime to discuss HIV criminalization.

## September 2011

**2011 SCOTIABANK AIDS WALK:** HIV Edmonton is very excited to announce this year's **Mile High Marshalls – the Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose!** This year's Top Walker won a **Trip for Two to LA to participate in the 2011 AIDS Walk Los Angeles.** Nearly 500 walkers came to show their support, plus 85 volunteers. This tremendous group of caring individuals enjoyed a beautiful sunny day, with activities such as a pancake breakfast; Kids Zone; appearances by The Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose, a special performance from the Citadel Theatre and a Pre-Walk concert by Big Breakfast Boogie Band.

## October 2011

**HIV Edmonton's Open House:** HIV Edmonton held their open house to celebrate our new home on Tuesday, the fourth of October. We are honoured to have so many partnerships, collaborations and friends of HIV Edmonton. We have your blessings and best wishes as we work towards our goals of education, prevention and support regarding HIV and AIDS.

**HIV Edmonton Welcomes Their New Volunteer Nutritionist:** HIV Edmonton welcomed Jeanne Kalisa as our volunteer nutritionist. The position of HIV Edmonton's volunteer Nutritionist is to teach nutritional low income/food bank meals, meal planning and cooking

techniques twice a month to clients living with HIV. Also to menu 3 weekly meals, two breakfasts and one lunch for HIV Edmonton Support and Outreach staff to create. And to teach clients that are on a limited budget how to shop at food banks, grocery stores, and value stores.

**November 2011**

**Happy Anniversary:** HIV Edmonton has been at their new location, 9702-111 Avenue, for one year today, November 1, 2011. Looking back it has been a great adventure. This past year was packed full of changes and renovations. We are now ready to make the coming years adventure even greater.

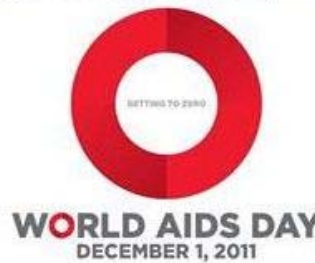
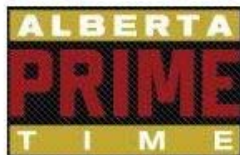
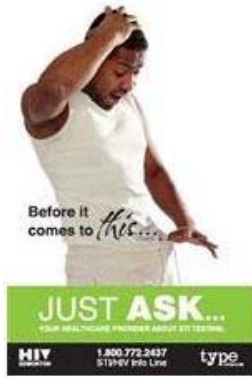
**December 2011**

**World AIDS Day Events: Starbucks Celebrity Baristas;** Starbucks Coffee shops will be collaborating with HIV Edmonton for 2011 World AIDS Day. Local celebrities from Edmonton will be putting on Starbucks aprons and serving up piping hot lattes and espresso all the while educating the public on HIV and AIDS.

**Angels Amongst Us: An Intimate Affair Honouring Our HIV Positive;** The People Living with HIV and AIDS (PLWHA) of Edmonton would like to honour former HIV positive mentors during World AIDS Day. Thank you to Living Positive of Edmonton for providing volunteers for this event.

**Farewell Knox:** The Board, Staff and Clients of HIV Edmonton wish Knox Makumbe, Support and Outreach Coordinator, a fond farewell.

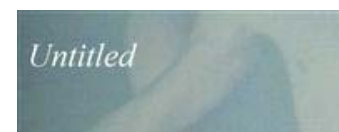
**HIV Edmonton Welcomes Daltyn:** HIV Edmonton is thrilled to announce Daltyn Evans has joined the agency as Administrative Assistant.



**UNTITLED: Remixing History****UNTITLED: FILM SCREENING**

Date & Time: Wednesday, January 11, 7pm – 8:30pm

Location: Telus Centre, Room 217, University of Alberta, 87 avenue 111 street



UNTITLED is a non-linear 60 minute film distributed by Visual AIDS that places HIV and AIDS activism within a larger context of national and international moments. With a queer lens, using only found footage including activist video, sitcoms and news segments; HIV and AIDS is understood as a catalyst for social change. UNTITLED is a people's history of the last three decades with AIDS at its center.

[Click here to learn more about the film](#)

After the screening we will debrief about the film while thinking about the impact of HIV and AIDS on our collective history and how the film brings up questions of current issues such as the Occupy movement.

**UNTITLED: CREATING A PEOPLE'S TIMELINE of HIV**

Date & Time: Thursday, January 12, 6pm – 9pm

Location: HIV Edmonton, 9702 111 Avenue

Reception 6-7; Workshop 7-9

Inspired by UNTITLED and helped by a resource guide created by Visual AIDS, we will have a conversation around the timeline of AIDS not bound by conventional or oppressive ideas of what is history, or what is HIV and AIDS. Rather we will bring together our own markings of time and impact to create our own timeline of HIV and AIDS. This project is based in an understanding that our lives are a part of the ongoing reality of HIV and AIDS, and in this workshop we will come together and discuss HIV and AIDS in a contemporary and ongoing manner.

Be sure to join us for a special reception before the workshop, a time to catch up with Ted and the community with some sweet snacks and hot tea.

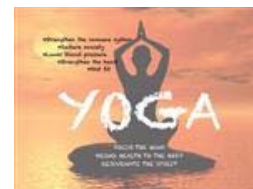
**About Ted Kerr**

Ted Kerr was one of the founding members of Exposure: Edmonton's Queer Arts and Culture Festival and HIV Edmonton's first Artist in Residence. In 2010 he was honored by the John Humphry Center for Human Rights and received the Spirit of Helen Award from AMAAS for his film community and activist work. Currently Kerr is the managing editor of *12th Street*, a New School Literary magazine, and is Projects Manager at Visual AIDS. Ted currently lives in Brooklyn NY.

**Yoga**

HIV Edmonton volunteer, Chris McBain, will be offering free beginners yoga class. This will be offered to clients, family and friends of HIV Edmonton alternating Monday nights at 7:30pm starting January 16, 2012 & January 30, 2012.

>> <http://www.thetravelinyogi.com/>

**Fire & Ice: Queer Winter Formal**

The Queer Winter Formal is an opportunity for all people to come out and have a gay ol' time. It doesn't matter who you want to dance with, or even if you really want to dance. This event is presented by the altView Foundation in partnership with the Rainbow Alliance of Fort Saskatchewan.

Saturday, January 28, 2012

7:00pm until 12:00am

The Agora in the Sherwood Park Community Centre, 401 Festival Lane, Sherwood Park, Alberta

Tickets are \$5 (if you cannot afford the ticket, or have youth in your organization who cannot afford tickets, please contact us. [www.altview.ca](http://www.altview.ca))



**Experienced Volunteer Chef/Cook Required**

HIV Edmonton is in need of an experienced volunteer cook/chef every Wednesday afternoon.

**Duties:** The cook/chef will work closely with HIV Edmonton's volunteer Nutritionist and the Support and Outreach Team creating bakery goods and desserts, stocks, soups and sauces, eggs and dairy, cold kitchen (salads, appetizers, sandwiches), vegetables, fruits, nuts and mushrooms, meat, poultry, pasta, and fish.

**Types of Meals/Food Prepared:** Lunches, 11:00am to 2:30pm

**Specific Skills:** Prepare and cook full meals, ensure quality of food and determine size of food proportions, work with minimal supervision, prepare dishes for clients with food allergies or intolerances.

Please email current resume to the Volunteer Coordinator at [jody.l@hivedmonton.com](mailto:jody.l@hivedmonton.com)



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