

Town Hall Kids Dance-A-Thon

Date: Saturday, March 17th Time: 10am – 4pm

All ages, family friendly event

Get your team together and put on your 1dancin' shoes for a fantastic day of FUN-draising! All proceeds will go towards our #EverettsLift Project. Contact us to sign your team up today and receive your pledges and participants package. This Dance-a-thon is very similar to a walk-a-thon; Participants join teams (or dance as individuals) and raise money by dancing. Dance lessons, social dancing, contests, prizes and more will be enjoyed throughout the day. This event is open to all who want to participate – new beginners through advanced and **no experience necessary!** Each team member is required to raise a minimum of \$25 in pledges to participate – Some of the prizes that will be awarded to the Team with the Most Money Raised in Pledges, Best Team Spirit, Best Social Media Splash and Most Songs Danced!

A schedule of dances and instructors will be posted in advance of the event, we are working on having a wide variety of different dances to participate in, with several different instructors including past THK Choreographer, Laura Campbell! Food and beverages will be available to purchase throughout the event.

Where is the money going?

Our Town Hall Kids programming is dedicated to making our building accessible for all. One part of our building is currently not accessible, and that is the stage. We have acquired a wheelchair lift already with money raised so far, but there is still a VERY long way to go. Our building is a designated heritage site, which means there is a lot of red tape to make any physical changes to its state. We will need engineers and contractors to get this off the ground, and then maintenance costs over the years to keep it running. This campaigns goal is to raise \$50,000 – thank you so much for helping us get there!

Our Inspiration

Everett Nichol is 12 years old and has been a member of Town Hall Kids for three years. He is kind, funny, enthusiastic, smart, loves theatre; and he happens to be in a wheelchair. This campaign is for you Everett – and your right to be on our stage and get on our stage just as easily as any other Town Hall Kid.

We also believe that by committing to this project we are saying to our community and to other young people like Everett, that our building and programming is a safe, accessible space to be who you are.

Town Hall Kids Dance-a-thon Rules and Regulations

DANCING

- One person from each team MUST be on the dance floor at all times during the event. Dancing is defined as moving one's feet or body, or both, to the beat of the music
- No wet or muddy boots, socked or bare feet will be allowed on the dance floor. Please bring indoor shoes for the event.
- Anyone who displays any unsportsmanlike conduct will be asked to leave the event.

TEAMS

- Please ensure you register your team by March 1st by emailing nikki@artwithheartstudio.ca – at this time you will need the names of each of your participants, your official team name, your Team Captains name and your team colour.
- Participants MUST wear their team colours on the day of the event – this will help organizers recognize teams on the dance floor!
- Maximum number of individuals on a team is 10 (you can have less but not more)
- Every team MUST include one member who is 16 years of age or older – this team member will act as Team Captain! Other members can be of any age.
- All teams must arrive between 9:30am-10am on the day of the event, in order to have time to check in. At the time of check in, we will need you pledge sheet(s), money, and signed waivers. You will be given a Songs Danced record sheet for your dancers – please ensure that you fill these out and hand them in by the end of the event – there will be a prize awarded to the participant who danced the most songs!
- Feel free to get creative with your dress and have LOTS of team spirit – there will be a prize awarded for Most Team Spirit!

PLEDGES

- All money and forms must be submitted the day of the event, when you check in.
- Spectators will be allowed to watch for a \$10 donation on the day of the event – Spectators must also have indoor shoes in the dancing area.
- Pledge money must be collected in cash and recorded on your personal pledge sheet.
- Each team member is required to raise a minimum of \$25 in pledges – Teams are encouraged to raise more than the goal in order to compete for prizes.