

**TORONTO MONTHLY MEETING of the
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY of FRIENDS (QUAKERS)**

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**Yonge Street Half-Yearly Meeting,
Saturday 16 October 2021, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, on Zoom**

Toronto Monthly Meeting invites you to join Friends and Attenders for the online Fall Session of Yonge Street Half-Yearly Meeting. Throw away your Saturday list of tasks and meet with Friends, old and new. It will nourish your soul and give an opportunity to escape the everyday humdrum! We've got the program for you!

Climate change? Allowing encampments in parks?

Asking everyone to be vaccinated before attending Meeting for Worship in person?

Is your Meeting facing emotional discussions like these? Are you worried about how to discuss such topics and other controversial issues in a productive manner? Join us at the Fall Session of Yonge Street Half-Yearly Meeting to learn some practical skills! in a two-part workshop for the Fall Half-Yearly Meeting.

Peaceful and Clear Communication within Meetings

This two-part workshop – facilitated by Canadian Friends Service Committee – will offer opportunities to strengthen our skills for clear, effective, and peaceful communication within our Meetings. The session is and interactive, offering the chance to practice communication skills and to learn from one another. The facilitators will be **Trevor Chandler** (Interior BC Quakers), **Christina Tellez** (Halifax Monthly Meeting), and **Matt Legge**, the Peace Program Coordinator of the Canadian Friends Service Committee

Schedule

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Meeting for Worship
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Program part 1 (Matthew Legge CFSC)
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch and on-line chat
1:30 PM - 2:45 PM	Program part 2 (Matthew Legge, CFSC)
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Kitchen Table Climate Conversation Update (Lyn Adamson)
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Meeting for Worship for Business

Practical Details

- No registration necessary! We will send the Zoom link to your Monthly Meeting to distribute, and we'll post it on the Toronto Monthly Meeting website: www.torontoquakers.org.
- We regret that there will be no children's program for this session
 - The Meeting for Worship for Business agenda is attached. Please send any additional items to YSHYM Clerk Jane MacKay Wright, janemw@amtelecom.net, by Wednesday October 14.
 - Please share this notice with other Friends.
- Questions? Please contact: Anne Christie (annechristie29@yahoo.com)
or Leigh Turina (lturina@sympatico.ca)

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee [Ho-de-no-show-nee], the Huron-Wendat, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. Toronto remains the home of many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island. May we share the land in peace.

Yonge Street Half-Yearly Meeting
DRAFT Agenda for virtual Meeting for Worship for Business
to be held October 16, 2021

Opening Worship and Clerk's Reading
Welcome to Friends
Delegates
Regrets
Approval of Recording Clerk
Reporter for *The Canadian Friend*
Agenda Review

Minutes

2021.10.1 Minutes of the Meeting held on October 3, 2020

Business Arising from the Minutes

2021.10.2 Concern from TMM Sexual Abuse and Harassment Committee
(2019.5.20) - continuing
2021.10.3 Friends Needed to Serve Half-Yearly Meeting (2019.5.7)*
2021.10.4 Report from Canadian Yearly Meeting Liaison (2020.10.4)
2021.10.5 Report from Half-Yearly Meeting Program Committee (2020.10.8)
2021.10.6 CYM Change and Sustainable Transformation (CAST) Working Group
Proposal for Holding Yearly Meeting in Regional Sessions (2020.10.9)

New Business

2021.10.7 Report from Half-Yearly Meeting Treasurer including CFSC contribution

Appreciations
Closing Worship

* Needed immediately are: Recording Clerk, Representative to CYM/RM, Clerk starting
May 2022