

Grow Your Pride with Access Alliance on June 5th and 16th!

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(Toronto, ON) **June 3, 2014:** World Pride comes to Toronto and what better way to celebrate than with people who come from around the world to make this city their home! **On Thursday, June 5th, 2014 join us from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** for “**Grow Your Pride**”, a free community event at AccessPoint on Danforth Hub, 3079 Danforth Avenue.

Grow Your Pride is a family friendly event and will include live performances, workshops and information tables on relevant services in Toronto. Come to check out the screening of local photo voice films by LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer and Questioning) youth participants of the “Let in the Light” project. Guest Speakers will talk about personal experiences as newcomers to Canada, success stories, global human rights & LGBTQ rights.

Now in its 25th year of operation, Access Alliance serves immigrants and refugees and is knowledgeable in the particular challenges faced by LGBTQ+ newcomers. Cliff Ledwos, Acting Executive Director for Access Alliance says, “We take a lot of pride in offering programs and services for LGBTQ+ newcomers that help ease the adjustment of settling in a new country, and everything that that involves. An event such as *Grow Your Pride* is both a celebration and an opportunity to share stories, make connections and be inspired.”

Access Alliance is a proud affiliate of [World Pride Toronto](#). *Grow Your Pride* will also take place on June 16th at AccessPoint on Jane, at 761 Jane Street in Toronto’s west end.

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Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services works to promote health, wellbeing and improved access to services for immigrants and refugees in Toronto. From three locations in the city, we offer resources, provide links, conduct research and build capacity to enable individuals, families and communities to achieve health with dignity. Our range of programs, services, advocacy and partnerships address medical, social, economic, environmental, settlement and integration issues for immigrants of all ages at all stages of their life. Find out more at: www.accessalliance.ca

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