

Commonwealth Youth Parliament

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November 6-10, 2016
Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 6, 2016

- 10:00 am **Tour of Mammoth Exhibit**
*Royal British Columbia Museum
675 Belleville Street*
- 2:00-6:00 pm **Conference Registration**
*Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, Mezzanine
345 Quebec Street*
- 4:00, 4:30, or 5:00 pm **Tours of the Parliament Buildings**
*Main Entrance, Parliament Buildings
501 Belleville Street*
- 5:15 pm Youth Parliament participants gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites

Escorted to the Robert Bateman Centre, Steamship Building, by Legislative Assembly staff
- 5:30-7:30 pm **Madame Speaker's Welcome Reception**
Stand-up Dinner
*The Robert Bateman Centre, Steamship Building
470 Belleville Street*
- Remainder of evening free

Monday, November 7, 2016

- 7:00-8:30 am **Breakfast**
Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, West Ballroom
- 7:45 am Mentors meet in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites

Escorted to the Parliamentary Dining Room, Parliament Buildings, by Legislative Assembly staff

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8:00-9:00 am

Mentor Breakfast

Host: Honourable Linda Reid, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
Speaker's Dining Room, Parliament Buildings

8:45 am

Youth Parliamentarians gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites

Escorted to the Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings, by Assembly staff

9:00-9:30 am

Administrative Briefing

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

Presenter: Susan Sourial, Clerk Assistant, Committees and Interparliamentary Relations

- Program overview
- Review of Commonwealth Youth Parliament documents

9:30-10:00 am

Opening of the 8th Commonwealth Youth Parliament

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

- Introductions: Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees
- Blessing: Elder Mary Ann Thomas
- Mr. Akbar Khan, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
- Hon. Linda Reid, Speaker, Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
- Craig James, Clerk, Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
- Poetry reading: Zoe Duhaime

10:00-10:15 am

Health Break

Library Rotunda, Parliament Buildings

10:15-11:00 am

EDUCATIONAL SESSION 1

Introduction to Key Procedures of the Commonwealth Youth Parliament

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

Presenter: Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees

- Role of parliament
- Political parties, caucuses, key roles
- Stages of a bill from First Reading to Royal Assent

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- Overview of key procedures
 - Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne
 - Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
 - Youth Parliamentarians' Statements
 - Debating a bill
 - Question Period
 - Divisions
 - Points of Order
- Question and answer session

11:00 am-12:00 pm

ACTIVITY 1

Caucus Meetings

Government: Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)

Opposition: Hemlock Room (Room 116)

Independents: Cedar Room (Room 241)

- Choose Party Leader, Deputy Leader and Whip
- Choose Ministers or Opposition Critics
- Independents choose a convener
- Choose party name
- Prepare for Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne (1 to 2 minutes each)
- Minister to prepare Introduction and First Reading of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*

12:00-1:00 pm

Lunch

Parliamentary Dining Room, Parliament Buildings

1:00-1:30 pm

Speech from the Throne

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

- Opening procession
- Prayers
- Broadcast of Speech from the Throne by The Honourable Rick Hansen, Lieutenant Governor
- Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne (1 to 2 minutes each)

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1:30-2:30 pm

EDUCATIONAL SESSION 2

Mentor Panel Discussion: Role of a Member of Parliament

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

Facilitator: Susan Sourial, Clerk Assistant, Committees and Interparliamentary Relations

- Three Mentors present for five minutes each followed by a question and answer session

2:30-3:00 pm

Health Break

Library Rotunda, Parliament Buildings

3:00-4:30 pm

ACTIVITY 2

House Proceedings

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

- Procession
- Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
- Introduction of Bills
- Youth Parliamentarians' Statements (up to 2 minutes each)
- Question Period (15 minutes)
- Continuation of Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne (1 to 2 minutes each)

4:30 pm

Official Photograph

Parliament Buildings Front Steps (weather permitting)

5:00-6:30 pm

Caucus and Individual Study Time

Government: Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)

Opposition: Hemlock Room (Room 116)

Independents: Cedar Room (Room 241)

Plan for next day's proceedings:

- Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
- Determine who will make Youth Parliamentarians' Statements
- Second reading debate of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*

6:30-8:00 pm

Buffet Dinner

Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, Salon B

8:00-10:00 pm

Continued caucus and individual study time or remainder of evening free

Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, Salon B, available until 10:00 pm

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

- 7:00-8:30 am **Breakfast**
Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, West Ballroom
- 8:45-9:15 am **Daily Briefing for Organizers and Mentors**
Cedar Committee Room (Room 241), Parliament Buildings
- Overview of the day's proceedings, issues, changes to program, etc.
- 9:00 am Youth Parliamentarians gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites
- Escorted to the Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings, by Assembly staff
- 9:15-10:00 am **EDUCATIONAL SESSION 3**
Mentor Panel Discussion: Question Period
Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings
- Facilitator: Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees
- Three Mentors to present for 5 minutes each followed by a question and answer session
- 10:00-10:30 am **Health Break**
Library Rotunda, Parliament Building
- 10:30 am-12:00 pm **ACTIVITY 3**
House Proceedings
Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings
- Procession
 - Prayers
 - Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
 - Introduction of Bills
 - Youth Parliamentarians' Statements (up to 2 minutes each)
 - Question Period (15 minutes)
 - Youth Minister to move Second Reading of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*
 - Youth Parliamentarians may speak up to 5 minutes
 - Or Youth Parliamentarians' Statements – up to 2 minutes each
- 12:00-1:00 pm **Lunch**
Parliamentary Dining Room, Parliament Buildings
- Presentation by David Spence, President, Vancouver Island Branch Royal Commonwealth Society

Tuesday, November 8, 2016 – continued

1:00-2:30 pm

ACTIVITY 4

Caucus and Individual Preparation Time

Government: Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)

Opposition: Hemlock Committee Room (Room 116)

Independents: Cedar Room (Room 241)

Prepare for: Continued Second Reading debate of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*

2:30-3:00 pm

Health Break

Library Rotunda, Parliament Buildings

3:00-4:30 pm

ACTIVITY 5

House Proceedings

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

- Procession
- Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
- Continued Second Reading debate of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*
 - Members may speak up to 5 minutes
 - Question put at 4:15 pm
 - Or Youth Parliamentarians' Statements – up to 2 minutes each

4:30-6:30 pm

Caucus and Individual Study Time

Government: Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)

Opposition: Hemlock Room (Room 116)

Independents: Cedar Room (Room 241)

Plan for next day's proceedings:

- Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
- Youth Parliamentarians' Statements (up to 2 minutes each)
- Question Period
- Committee of the Whole, Amendments and Third Reading of *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*
- Press conference

6:30-8:00 pm

Buffet Dinner

Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, Salon B

8:00-10:00 pm

Continued caucus and individual study time or remainder of evening free

Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, Salon B, available until 10:00 pm

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

7:00-8:30 am

Breakfast

Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, West Ballroom

9:00-9:30 am

Daily Briefing for Organizers and Mentors

Cedar Committee Room (Room 241), Parliament Buildings

- Overview of the day's proceedings, issues, changes to program, etc.

9:15 am

Youth Parliamentarians gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites

Escorted to the Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings, by Assembly staff

9:30-10:15 am

EDUCATIONAL SESSION 4

Mentor Panel Discussion: Media

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

Facilitator: Allison Lloyd, Clerk of Committees, Yukon Legislative Assembly

- Justine Hunter, Globe and Mail, and Les Leyne, Times Colonist, present for 5 minutes each on role of the press and the press gallery
- Two Mentors present for 5 minutes each on Member interaction with the media
- Question and answer session

10:15-10:45 am

Health Break

Library Rotunda, Parliament Buildings

10:45-11:15 am

ACTIVITY 6

Mock Press Conference

Members Lobby, Parliament Buildings

Facilitator: Allison Lloyd, Clerk of Committees, Yukon Legislative Assembly

- Youth Parliamentarians to be interviewed by reporters and Mentors acting as reporters regarding their prepared scenarios

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 – continued

11:15 am-12:00 pm

EDUCATIONAL SESSION 5

Mentor Panel Discussion: Introduction to Campaign Planning and the Electoral Process

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

Facilitator: Kate Ryan Lloyd, Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees

- Three Mentors present for 5-10 minutes each to be followed by a question and answer session

12:00-1:00 pm

Lunch

Parliamentary Dining Room, Parliament Buildings

1:15-3:30 pm

ACTIVITY 7

House Proceedings

Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings

- Procession
- Prayers
- Introductions by Youth Parliamentarians
- Youth Parliamentarians' Statements (up to 2 minutes each)
- Question Period (15 min)
- *Youth Apprenticeship and Internship Act*
 - Committee of the Whole and Amendments
 - Third Reading
 - Question put at 3:20 pm
 - Royal Assent

3:30-4:30 pm

ACTIVITY 8

Caucus Meetings

Government: Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)

Opposition: Hemlock Room (Room 116)

Independents: Cedar Room (Room 241)

- Final caucus meeting
- Debrief and evaluation

4:30-5:30 pm

Free time

5:30 pm

Gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites to board buses

5:45 pm

Buses depart

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 – continued

- 6:00 pm-8:30 pm **Closing Dinner**
Government House, 1401 Rockland Avenue
- 8:30-8:45 pm Board buses to return to Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites
- Remainder of evening free

Thursday, November 10, 2016

- 7:00-8:30 am **Breakfast**
Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites, West Ballroom
- 8:30-9:15 am Departing delegates check out of hotel and arrange with hotel for storage of luggage as required
- 9:00-9:30 am **Daily Briefing for Organizers and Mentors**
Cedar Committee Room (Room 241), Parliament Buildings
- Debrief: Mentors and Commonwealth Youth Parliament organizers
- 9:15 am Youth Parliamentarians gather in the Main Lobby of the Harbour Towers Hotel and Suites
- Escorted to the Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings, by Assembly staff
- 9:30-10:30 am **ACTIVITY 9**
House Proceedings
Legislative Chamber, Parliament Buildings
- Procession
 - Prayers
 - Question Period (15 min)
 - Closing Speeches
 - Hon. Linda Reid, Speaker, Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
 - Craig James, Clerk, Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
 - Commonwealth Youth Parliament Premier
 - Commonwealth Youth Parliament Opposition Leader
 - Commonwealth Parliament Association, Secretariat
 - Hon. Ingrid Moses-Scatliffe, Speaker, House of Assembly, British Virgin Islands
 - Any other speakers as time permits

Thursday, November 10, 2016 – continued

10:30 am

End of Official Program

10:45-1:00 pm

Public Service Remembrance Day Ceremony and Luncheon
Second Floor Rotunda, Parliament Buildings