

Naivelt **נבייזעל** News

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COME TO A SUMMERTIME EVENING CONCERT WITH DAVID ROVICS

American peace poet, singer-songwriter and troubadour of our time, David Rovics, is coming to Naivelt this Saturday, August 6, at 7:30 pm at the Lasowsky Centre. This is a special event not to be missed!!!

David Rovics has been called the musical voice of the progressive movement in the United States. Here's some background information about him courtesy of Wikipedia:

"David Rovics (born April 10, 1967) is an American indie singer/songwriter and anarchist. His music concerns topical subjects such as the 2003 Iraq war, anti-globalization and social justice issues. Rovics has been an outspoken critic of former President George W. Bush, the Republican Party, John Kerry, and the Democratic Party.

"...Rovics has made all of his recorded music freely available as downloadable mp3 files. He

encourages the free distribution of his work by all non-profit means to promote his work and spread political messages, and speaks out against websites or programs like iTunes that charge money for downloading his songs. Rovics has also advocated the performing of his songs at protests and demonstrations and has made his sheet music and lyrics available for download."



The concert will be set up in "coffee house style" and we encourage you to bring any beverages or snacks you would like. See you Saturday night.

- Janice Meilach,

Camp Naivelt Program Committee

What's On This Week

Saturday, August 6

1-2 pm

Naivelt Pool Time & Aquafit

3 pm

The Ritz

Origami workshop with Lev Jaeger
Cranes and Beyond

7:30 pm

David Rovics Concert
Lasowsky Centre

9:00 pm

Campfire (weather permitting)

Sunday, August 7

1-2 pm

Naivelt Pool Time & Aquafit

3 pm

Camp Naivelt Annual Peace Tea

Nigel Barriffe on Black Lives Matter
Lasowsky Centre

Yoga at the Ritz ó CANCELLED

Monday, August 8 to

Saturday, August 13

Art Camp - see page 3 for details



Aquafit with Barb Lipton is the place to be in this hot, hot summer of 2016.

Photo by Hayden Hermolin

Filmmaker John Greyson Returns to Naivelt

by Deb O'Rourke

Last weekend, activist filmmaker John Greyson showed short films at the Lasowsky Centre. A Naivelter himself in the late 1990s Greyson recalled his evenings on Hill 2 (cabin 21) with "lap-top, moths and mosquitoes."

"Not only is Naivelt a great place to write peacefully," said Greyson, " but a place to experience a collective political history and a community devoted to ongoing activism... Camp Naivelt had an impact on who I am as an artist." Up late one night typing at the Ritz, he met David Wall, and began an ongoing musical collaboration.

Greyson began his career as a video artist in the 1980s, took on making feature films, and then embraced digital technologies. He and his contemporaries worked out of the closet since the 1970s, pioneering gay subject matter. He uses new media, pop culture, and humor to communicate urgent, complex issues.

His latest work was shot during this year's Gay Pride Parade, during which Black Lives Matter staged a controversial sit-in. Mike Constable noted that BLM's objection to the large police representation at Pride is neither unusual nor impossible to fix – the police have not been invited to Toronto's Labour Day Parade since 1978.

In 2013, Greyson and activist physician Tarek Loubani were interred in Egypt for 50 days, while en route to Palestine. They are haunted by the fact that many of the people interred with them are still detained without charges, and continue to work with partners to try secure their release.

As mentioned last week, John and his partner, artist Stephen Andrews, contributed their land to the Milky Way Community Garden, the first initiative of the Parkdale Community Land Trust. He shows that a lot can be done with a life. Thanks to John and to all who made this presentation possible.



Lesley Wood, Sociology Professor at York University, spoke about her research into "Activism and Policing" at last week's Bagel Brunch hosted by Jessica Goldstein and Jack Gelbloom.

Photo by Janice Meilach

The Art of Hosting 2016 Art Camp

Art Camp 2016 starts this Monday, August 8, led by Michael Burt, co-chair of Camp Naivel's programming committee, and director of Making Room Community Arts. It promises to be a mix of self-discovery and community collaboration with workshops in drawing, photography, weaving, building, storytelling and more.

This year's theme is "The Art of Hosting," expanding on thoughts Naivelers shared about hosting and being "hosted" at the Bagel Brunch held July 24, where Michael and Ayal Dinner of Greenest City spoke on "Food and Art Activism in Parkdale."

"Making Room Community Arts is a radically inclusive, inter-disciplinary arts company dedicated to community cultural development, moving towards a culture of mutual support and bringing art into everyday life, says Michael. "We make celebrations and ceremonies, large and small with those living in the margins in order to put them in the centre of the story."

Through this approach, art camp will weave together a variety of forms, media and approaches to come up with something surprising at the end. This loosely-structured, collaborative approach includes structured workshops, but informal happenings throughout are a big part of the fun.

Below is what is on the roster so far:

Monday, August 8 . Saturday, August 13

10:00-12:00 and 1:30-3:30
Concluding Celebration
Saturday, August 13 at 7:30

with
Making Room Community Arts

and
Drawing with Deb O'Rourke
Photography with Catherine Moeller
Weaving with Shlomit Segal
Building with Sarah Latha
Storytelling with Ester Reiter
And much, much more...

All events will take place at the Ritz
For more info, contact:
michael@making-room.org
ALL AGES WELCOME



Making Paper Lanterns at Art Camp 2015

Photo by Nicole Bennett

Peace Tea Guest to Discuss Black Lives Matter

Our annual Peace Tea event will take place this Sunday, on August 7 at 3 pm. Peace Tea has become an important tradition at camp going back many years and is held on the Sunday closest to August 6 in order to commemorate the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945.

Our speaker this year is Nigel Barriffe, President of the Urban Alliance on Race Relations, an elementary school teacher in Rexdale and an active participant in a number of networks and coalitions. He will be discussing Black Lives Matter from his perspective.

Set-up for the Peace Tea begins at 11 am. We need help to set up tables and chairs and to bring desserts (please bring them pre-cut), tea pots, and table cloths. Please bring these items down at 11 am during set-up time. Tea Makers are needed at 2:00pm.

Contact Michael Burt, michael@making-room.org, with any questions.



Thank you to Valerie Morris and family for Games Night last Sunday, and very best wishes to Wagner and Rowen who celebrate their birthdays this week!

Photo by Ingrid Bredin

What's On Next Week

Monday, August 8 - Saturday, August 13

2016 Art Camp (see page 3)

Saturday, August 13

1-2 pm

Naivelt Pool Time & Aquafit

7:30 pm

Arts Camp Presentation, The Ritz

Sunday, August 14

10 am

Bagel Brunch, Michele Landsberg
Host: Max Wallace and Family
Hill 3, Cabin 6

1-2 pm

Naivelt Pool Time & Aquafit

3-4 pm

Yoga at the Ritz

Slow Down

When driving along the hills, your speed should not be faster than a walking pace. Also, please remember there is a **STOP** sign at the crossroads on Hill 2. When driving from Hill 3, the sign is on your left. Please pay attention and stop. There are lots of kids zooming around on bikes and sometimes playing by the side of the road.

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