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YES' 12TH ANNUAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONFERENCE



Have a great idea? Want to be your own boss? Are you already in business and want to expand? **Make Your Move – Entrepreneurship Today**, the 12th Annual YES Montreal Entrepreneurship Conference takes place on **Saturday, April 18, 2009, 10 AM - 3 PM** at the Société des arts technologiques (1195 Saint-Laurent). The conference provides practical advice from seasoned experts through interactive round-table discussions, and it all kicks off with an inspiring keynote address by **Tatiana Londono**. You will not want to miss Tatiana's unique and inspiring story of how she became one of the leading real estate agents in the province, after only being in operation for one year!



Tatiana Londono

As part of this year's conference, YES presents the **E-Ship Idol Competition**. Pre-selected entrepreneurs wishing to start-up or grow their business will present their business idea and the audience will vote electronically for the winner. The winner will get a \$2,500 cash prize, a year of business advice from some of

Montreal's premier business owners and enrolment into the YES Mentorship Program for Entrepreneurs. Through this experience, participants will learn what it takes to make a good presentation, what an investor will be looking for and what indicators might predict a success. Cost for the conference is \$50.00 (includes lunch) and registration is underway. For more information, or to register, call **514-878-9788** or go to www.yesmontreal.ca.

9TH ANNUAL YES SELF-EMPLOYED ARTIST CONFERENCE: JUNE 8, 2009

Are you an actor, painter, musician, writer, dancer, filmmaker, designer, etc.? Thinking of working for yourself? YES Montreal, in partnership with **ELAN** (English-Language Arts Network) and the **QDF** (Quebec Drama Federation) presents the **9th Annual Montreal Self-Employed Artists' Conference: Business Skills for Creative Souls** set for **Monday, June 8, 2009**, at the Centaur Theatre. This unique conference is a full-day of workshops, panel discussions and networking opportunities. This event has hosted some of Montreal's most renowned artists and celebrities including Kevin Tierney (Bon Cop, Bad Cop), and Yann Martel (The Life of Pi). For more information, call **514-878-9788** or visit www.yesmontreal.ca



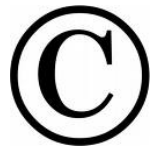
FUNDRAISING

With the end of our fiscal year, we are ready to launch our 2009 Direct Mail Campaign. We would like to thank all those who generously gave in 2008 and we hope that you will continue to include YES amongst your chosen charities. With your generous contribution, you are actively participating in strengthening the economy and community in which you live. Successful futures start with YES, but it all starts with you. Donate online at www.yesmontreal.ca or call **514-878-9788**.

EVENING WORKSHOPS AT YES

Copyrights: Keeping Control of Your Work (Cost : \$15)

Wednesday, April 8, 2009 6:30pm-8:45pm
To all visual artists, music writers, producers and composers, this workshop is for you. Representatives from SODRAC (Society for Reproduction Rights of Authors, Composers and Publishers in Canada) will provide you with crucial information and answers to your most pressing questions about reproduction rights for music, visual arts & crafts.



Creating Your Company's Brand & Image (Cost : \$15)

Monday, April 20, 2009 6:30pm-8:45pm
Whether you are self-employed or setting up a corporation, you'll need a strong image and brand identity. Learn how to put together marketing and communication materials that will increase public awareness of your business, making your product or service stand out of the crowd.



Careers in Human Resources (Cost: \$15)

Thursday, April 23, 2009 6:30pm-8:30pm
In each of these workshops, professionals from specific career sectors will discuss industry trends, the skills needed to succeed and what a 'day in the life' of a particular profession is actually like. A question and answer period will follow each discussion.



QUEBEC YOUTH EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE: A SUCCESS!



On Saturday, March 28, 2009, YES Montreal held its Quebec Youth Employment Conference at Dawson College. Over 200 participants were in attendance to discuss current employment opportunities across Quebec. Using video-conferencing technology, 12 regions of Quebec provided presentations highlighting their respective areas. Participants were also treated to speeches from **Todd van der Heyden, Marc Garneau and Meagan Johnson**.



Pre-registration is required for all the above workshops. For more information, or to register call 514-878-9788, or visit www.yesmontreal.ca

UPCOMING AT YES

Jump Start Your Job Search (Free info session for job seekers)	Tuesday & Friday 2:00pm-4:00pm
Jump Start Your Business (Free info session for Entrepreneurs)	Wednesdays 2:00pm-3:15pm
Jump Start Your Art/Grants & Loans (Free info session for Artists)	April 16 2:00pm-3:30pm
Grants & Loans Info Session for Entrepreneurs (Free info session for Entrepreneurs)	April 23 2:00pm-3:30pm
Start Your Own Business (4-week course) (\$65 for the 4 week course)	April 28 6:30pm-8:45pm

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