

Fair Trade Fortnight

May 1-15, 2011

Fair Trade Fortnight provides a great opportunity to raise awareness of fair trade issues in your school or community group.

MCIC kicked off this year's Fair Trade Fortnight with a Fair Trade Coffee Break at the MCIC office on April 27. MCIC staff members prepared snack items made with Fair Trade ingredients such as sugar, chocolate and tea. **Take a look at more pictures from the event on our Facebook page.**



MCIC staff members prepared Fair Trade snacks for a Coffee Break to kick off Fair Trade fortnight on April 27

Why not host your own Fair Trade breakfast during Fair Trade fortnight? According to Fair Trade Canada, last year, more than 110,000 people from 20 different countries sat down to enjoy a delicious Fair Trade Breakfast. These events can range from having Fair Trade tea, coffee or sugar with your breakfast at home to hosting a Fair Trade Breakfast for your friends and family. You could even host a Fair Trade Coffee Break at work. **Register your Fair Trade breakfast on the Fair Trade Canada website** and let's get Manitoba on the map!

Upcoming Events

Lunch and Learn with Elena Cedilla

Thursday May 5, 2011

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Location: MCIC, 302-280 Smith Street, Winnipeg

Elena Cedilla, working with the Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) in Peru, will speak about the issue of mining in that country, which raises concerns about environmental damage, human rights abuses and poverty.

Project Peacemakers' Annual Eco-Friendly Dinner

Friday May 6, 2011

6:30pm - 10:00pm

Location: Bethel Mennonite Church, 465 Stafford Street, Winnipeg

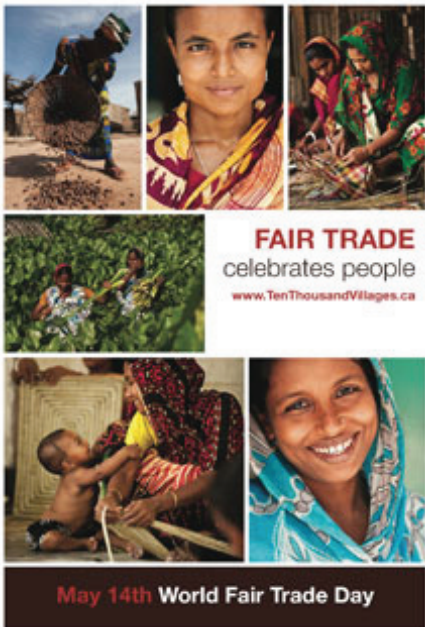
Project Peacemakers' Annual Eco-Friendly Dinner will be co-hosted by Bethel Mennonite Church and Harrow United Church. There will be a vegetarian buffet, entertainment and a silent auction. The theme is the International Year of Forests, with speaker Ron Thiessen, Executive Director of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society--Manitoba. Tickets are \$15 (children \$5) and must be purchased ahead of time by contacting (204) 775-8178 or info@projectpeacemakers.org.

Manitoba Council for International Cooperation Public Engagement Meeting

Tuesday May 24, 2011



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On May 7, Ten Thousand Villages is holding special events at two of their stores to celebrate World Fair Trade Day. Stop by the 134 Plaza Dr. store during the day (11:00pm - 4:00pm) and enjoy a live drum performance, get a Henna tattoo and make crafts - just in time for Mother's Day! Fair Trade items at the store will also be discounted. There will be free gifts for those who make a purchase of \$20 or more. At the 963 Henderson Highway store, sample Fair Trade chocolate, rice, coffee and dried fruit. Call Gwen on (204) 261 6387 for more information.

Take a look at the Ten Thousand Villages website for more information.

Volunteer with CCI

Canadian Crossroads International (CCI) is recruiting for various volunteer positions in Africa (Togo, Ghana, Mali, Swaziland and Senegal) and South America (Bolivia) in different fields of expertise.

Are you interested in international cooperation and do you see yourself playing a critical role in ensuring the success of CCI's partnership projects for promoting the rights of women and eradicating poverty? These placements are designed to meet the stated needs of partner organizations overseas and to build on one another to support the development of vulnerable communities over the long-term. Canadian Crossroads International recruits for a wide range of skills sets and expertise – yours can make a difference.

Visit the CCI website for more information about the postings and for the eligibility criteria.



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10:00am - 11:30am

Location: MCIC, 302-280 Smith Street, Winnipeg

Public Engagement Group (PEG) meetings are an opportunity to share upcoming events and programming with other public engagement practitioners from international development organizations in Manitoba. We also look for opportunities to collaborate and support each other's work. Meetings are scheduled bi-monthly. Please let us know if you would like to be added to the PEG mailing list. Contact Bequie Lake at pe@mcic.ca or (204) 987-6420.

Reminder! The Community Solidarity Fund application deadline is **Friday, May 27, 2011**. If you would like more information, check out our website at www.mcic.ca or call Zack at (204) 987 6420. The next deadline will be November 18, 2011.

Manitoba Council for International Cooperation Annual General Meeting

Tuesday June 14, 2011

6:30pm-7:00pm - Registration

7:00pm-9:30pm - Annual Business Meeting

Location: The Carol Shields Auditorium, The Millennium Library, 251 Donald Street, Winnipeg

The program for the MCIC 2011 Annual General Meeting will include:

- Presentation of the Kaleidoscope Video Awards
- Election of Board of Directors
- Presentation of the Paul LeJeune Volunteer Service Award.

MCIC member agencies can identify one accredited delegate for voting purposes. Additional people are most welcome and can register as visitors. To register, please contact Marilee at info@mcic.ca or call (204) 987-6420.

Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards

To recognize Manitobans who embrace the spirit and principles of sustainable development, the Manitoba Round Table for Sustainable Development established the Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards. The Awards recognize and honour people, projects, and ideas that successfully apply the Principles and Guidelines of Sustainable Development into concrete and lasting achievements.

The Manitoba Round Table for Sustainable Development is currently accepting submissions for the 2011 awards. [Click here to nominate someone, apply yourself or take a look at past winners.](#) The deadline for submitting an application is noon, Friday August 19, 2011.



2011 John Humphrey Award - Deadline Extended

The deadline for nomination submission for this award has been extended to May 15, 2011.

2011 marks the 20th year Rights & Democracy (International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development) proudly presents the John Humphrey Award to an organization or individual from any region of the world including Canada for outstanding achievement in the promotion of democratic development or respect for human rights. The Award consists of a \$30,000 grant and a speaking tour of Canadian cities to increase public awareness of the laureate's work. The award is named in honour of the late John Peters Humphrey, the Canadian law professor who prepared the first draft of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.



[Click here for more information about the award and to submit a nomination.](#)

Global Citizenship: Local News Edition is a publication of the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation. This monthly e-newsletter includes information on local events/activities that relate to the international development efforts and other initiatives of MCIC's member organizations and other local groups. **Send submissions to pr@mcic.ca.**

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CIDA Internships Online

The Canadian International Development Agency's (CIDA) international internships are for youth between the ages of 19 and 30 who are looking to gain experience working in international development. CIDA has over 150 six-month internships available. Check out the CIDA internship website at <http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/internships>. Deadlines vary.



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