



Inside OISE

Welcome back! We hope that everyone has had a refreshing and restorative break over the holiday closure.

Inside OISE is an internal and informal community newsletter for our faculty, staff, and students. *This really is just for us*; a space where we can share stuff you might not find elsewhere.

If you would like to continue to receive this newsletter, please make sure to **subscribe**.

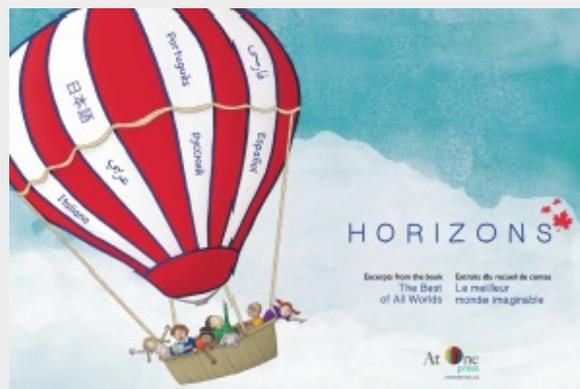
Share your news!

WHAT'S NEW

Horizons Exhibit at OISE Library

The Horizons Exhibit, curated by alum Dr. Gina Valle, is a collection of beautifully illustrated multilingual children's stories from the book *The Best of All Worlds*.

Each story is written in its heritage language with French and English translations. The exhibit celebrates diversity and embraces the many languages and cultures in our



everyday life.

Selected stories from The Horizons Exhibit are on display in the OISE Library's Oversized Curriculum Resources area (3rd floor) from Jan. 8 - Feb. 11, 2019.



Indigenous Education Network's 30th Anniversary Lecture Series

In lieu of monthly meetings, the Indigenous Education Network's (IEN) new lecture series offers a space for scholars and knowledge keepers to share their visions for the future of Indigenous education and research.

Allowing for people to come together and engage in discussion with one another, this format will also help IEN better serve the growing community of Indigenous students at OISE, as each lecture will involve a special lunch or dinner with the speakers just for Indigenous graduate students.

IEN is excited to host the following speakers in 2019:

Vanessa Watts – January 24th, 6-8pm

Sarah Deer – February 7th, 2-4pm

Alex Wilson – February 27th, 6-8pm

Karyn Recollet – April 3rd, 6-8pm

Linda Tuhiwai Smith – TBA

[Register](#)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



January Pop-Up!

Nothing says winter like hot cocoa and snow cones!

Whether you love the chill or prefer to keep warm, don't hibernate! Join us for a late afternoon/early evening event catering to all members of the OISE community. Make your own custom cocoa at our Hot Chocolate Bar or embrace the brrrr! with a snow cone treat.

January 16th, 4:00 - 6:00 pm Dean's Office, 12th Floor, OISE

Mindfulness & Resilience to Stress

Join OISE instructor **Shelley Murphy** to learn about the physiology of stress and how simple mindfulness techniques can help both adults and children strengthen their resilience and support wellbeing.

Visit the [OISE Wellness](#) website to learn about more upcoming wellness events.



January 16th, 12:10 - 12:50 pm, Room 12-199, OISE

[Register](#)

Chili Lunch!

Enjoy a bowl of chili made by the winner of U of T's Chili Cook-Off and served by the OISE leadership team!



Proceeds will go towards supporting United Way

Chili bowls are just \$5 each and there will be Vegan and gluten-friendly options available!

January 17th, 12:00 - 2:00 pm. Nexus, 12th Floor ,OISE

OISE's Winter Wellness Day

Save the date for OISE's Winter Wellness Day on Feb. 27, 2019.

Join in activities all day to help you improve your wellness, like free chair massages!

This event will be open to staff and faculty. More information to follow.

SAVE THE DATE

February 27th, 12:00 - 2:00 pm



OISE RECOGNIZES



Jessica Wright (SJE)

PhD candidate Jessica Wright of the Department of Social Justice Education was recently awarded the **Graduate Award for Scholarly Achievement in the Area of Gender-Based Violence** for her research on the 2015 revised Ontario sex-ed curriculum and how it relates to trauma experiences.

The award was presented on December 6th, the [National Day of Remembrance and Action Violence Against Women](#) at Hart House.

Staff Changes: Navroop Gill (OISE Library)

OISE Library's Navroop Gill has been appointed Head of the University of Toronto Libraries' new

Teaching and Learning Unit. Sadly, this means that Navroop will be leaving OISE effective Feb. 1 for a three-year secondment.

Navroop has done outstanding work at the OISE Library. As Head of Instruction, she designed and delivered countless library instruction sessions while overseeing the Library's Circulation Department. Navroop has been instrumental in supporting the research and teaching of OISE students and faculty as a Personal Librarian, through research consultations, and as the selector for the K-12 Curriculum Resources collection. In addition, Navroop has brought many innovations to the Library that support the health and wellbeing of the OISE community including the installations of [therapy \(SAD\) lamps](#), yoga and mindfulness sessions, "[UnStudy Spots](#)", and [Typewriter Tuesdays](#).



We wish Navroop the very best in her new and expanded role with UTL!

IN MEMORIAM



[Professor David Booth](#) passed away on December 22nd, 2018. David was Professor Emeritus in the Department of Curriculum, Teaching and Learning. David was a very special member of our community. He was an outstanding colleague, friend, teacher and mentor, and we will all remember his wonderful smile and his very special sense of humour. This is a very sad loss for our community.

View [David Booth's obituary](#)

SHARED SPACE

University of Toronto's

New Smoke-Free Policy now in effect

No smoking signs are posted at all building entrances on campus.

For OISE, this means smoking is not permitted along the east and west corridors, the parking lot and parkette at the east side of the building. [Learn more.](#)



U of T has a new Smoke-Free Policy.

Find out what this means for you at uoft.me/smokefree



U of T's Smoke-Free Policy

DID YOU KNOW

Traditional Teacher Drop-In Program

OISE's Indigenous Education Network (IEN) offers drop-in hours on Wednesdays with Traditional Teacher Jacqui Lavalley. All are welcome to drop by for cultural teachings, conversation and student support in group or individual appointments.

To book your appointment, contact Julie Blair at ien@utoronto.ca



OISE's Stairwells: A Work of Art



OISE's stairwells are filled with amazing artwork created by OISE students! Over the past few months, OISE Library's intern **Subhanya Sivajothy** has featured some of these hidden gems paired with books from the OISE Library collections.

Just one more reason to skip the elevators and take the stairs!



Nominations are now open
www.uoft.me/oise-teaching-awards

OISE Teaching Awards Nominations are Open

Teaching plays a vital role at OISE, and honouring our colleagues who have made significant contributions to teaching is incredibly important. We encourage everyone to consider nominating an outstanding teacher for one of OISE's Teaching Awards.

[Nominations for the 2019 OISE Teaching Awards are open.](#)

Our administrative staff also make many essential contributions to our success as an institution. Within the next few weeks, you will receive further information about nominating individuals for our staff excellence awards.

[Nominate a Faculty Member!](#)

Recognize Your Colleagues with True Blue

Take a moment to recognize the efforts – big or small – of exemplary OISE staff and faculty

Visit [U of T's True Blue Recognitions](#) to nominate someone at OISE and see what others are saying across campuses.

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