

Across U-hub's 10th Chinese Canadian Youth Leadership Training Camp '2C Your Power'

A totally-made-by-youth-for-youth leadership camp

Ten years ago, Across U-hub held the 1st Chinese Canadian Youth Leadership Training Camp, 'Zero to One', aimed to help Chinese immigrated youths to build their sense of belongings and assimilate to the Canadian society. Since then, this annual leadership camp is highly welcomed by Chinese Canadian youths. Each year more than a hundred passionate youths were inspired to unleash their leadership potential and to develop a positive life direction with purpose.

The 10th Chinese Canadian Youth Leadership Training Camp will be held at Camp Tamarack in Muskoka from August 20 to 23, 2009. Jennifer Yim, a camper from last year's leadership training camp, joined the team of Across U-hub volunteers to visit students of 'Beichuan Zhong Xue' in Sichuan in early June, she expressed ' This visit allows me to take action on what I learned in the camp. Through working with other volunteers and talking to local students, I have a new perspective to my Chinese Canadian identity and realize what my 'root' is.' Jennifer treasures this precious chance to develop her potential and contribute to the society.

The theme of this year is " 2 C Your Power". "2 C" represents two objectives: 1) to see your power; 2) to discover and ignite the power of being a Chinese Canadian. Facing the globalization, youths with bicultural background are comparatively advantageous. If they can use their power correctly, they can be the influential leaders in the world.

The camp is entirely organized and planned by youth. Diana Lam, who was a participant in 1st year training camp, is now the camp director who was inspired to pursue dreams and to share experience with youths at Across U-hub. The camp commander, Leo Chan, was obsessed with video games during adolescence, but he experienced trust and team work during Across' leadership camp in 2003 and had subsequently joined the force to be responsible for the discipline and safety of 180 campers in this camp. His discipline practices respect to each participants and he also encourages youths to advocating physical fitness as supposed to be staying home to play video games, etc.

This four-days-three-nights-camp will be conducted in English and Cantonese. The main content of the camp is designed to nurture five main qualities of leadership: discernment, communication, creativity, teamwork, and integrity. Theme program is carried out in an interactive manner, purposed to inspire thoughts and creativities in youths. Through our special designed activity games, outdoor challenge programs, group sharing and theme workshops, young campers will be able to appreciate their cultures, to respect for multiculturalism and take roots in Canada while developing a global perspective, as well as to acquire important teambuilding and leadership skills. Participants will also be able to understand their strengths and weakness while using their potential and creativity in group work. With the experienced mentors leading campers through the camp, they can share the successes and failures and connect those experiences with their lives.

This year, the organizer is pleased to have invited Dr. Wing-Tai Leung, the General Secretary of Breakthrough, an innovative youth culture & service organization in Hong Kong, as the keynote speaker. Dr Leung is an educator, youth worker and media producer. He is a doctoral graduate in Communication from Regent University, Master in Theology from Gordon-Conwell Seminary and Master of Fine Arts in Cinema-television from University of Southern California. Dr. Leung is enthusiastic about youth education. He has launched the Breakthrough Youth Village, produced TV series *GENERATION 21*, multivision *GEN*, and interactive exhibition *PEACE HI-TOUCH*.

The 10th Annual Chinese Canadian Youth Leadership Training Camp, '2C Your Power' will be held from August 20th to 23rd, 2009 at Camp Tamarack, Muskoka, ON. We welcome Chinese-Canadian youths all across Canada, aged 16-23 to join the camp. Camp fee for member is \$249 and non-member is \$259, including transportation to campsite, meals and accommodation. Campers register before July 10th can enjoy early bird special: \$235 (member) and \$245 (non-member). Deadline for camp registration is August 4th, 2009. Application form can be picked up at Across U-hub at 160 Gibson Drive, Unit 1, Markham, ON, L3R3K1 or downloaded from www.acrossuhub.com. For inquiry: please phone (905) 944-1944 or email info@acrossuhub.com. Promotion booth will be hosted by volunteers at Fairview Mall (June 27th, 28th), Market Village (July 11th, 12th), Pacific Mall (July 25th, 26th).



Across U-hub Overview

Together we help nurture our youth:

- to become a bridge across cultures by taking roots in Canada while developing a global perspective*
- to become servant leaders for communities by helping them grow holistically*

Work:

We adopt creative, interactive and multi-disciplinary approaches:

- to nurture our youth's holistic growth*
- to cultivate their servant leadership skills*
- to promote peer support and mentorship*
- to foster their sense of community and to encourage active participation in cultural and civic activities etc.*

Inquiries:

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