



Pride Toronto postpones Board elections

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February 16, 2012 (Toronto, ON) – Pride Toronto has postponed its Board election for three new Directors to allow for a more diverse slate of candidates. The General Meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 1, 2012 will still be held to present the audited financial statements for fiscal year 2010-2011, and to consider changes to the Membership By-Laws.

“Although we have postponed the election, the Pride Toronto Board continues to encourage women to consider running for a Director position later this year, when an election is expected as part of the Annual General Meeting,” said Luka Amona, Pride Toronto Board Co-Chair.

In order to increase its diversity, the Board is encouraging women and candidates from historically marginalized and disadvantaged communities to run for the available positions.

“We are optimistic that the extended recruitment period will give interested candidates time to consider the opportunity and apply or be nominated,” said Francisco Alvarez, Pride Toronto Board Co-Chair.

The election of new Board Members will be conducted at the next Annual General Meeting, which has not yet been scheduled, but must take place by October 31, 2012.

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About Pride Toronto

Pride Toronto is the not-for-profit organization that hosts Pride Week, an annual event in downtown Toronto during the last week of June that celebrates the history, courage, diversity and future of Toronto's LGBTTIQQ2SA* communities. Pride Week is one of the premier arts and cultural festivals in Canada, and one of the largest Pride celebrations in the world, with an estimated 1.2 million visitors each year. Pride Toronto is proud to host WorldPride in 2014 for its first time in North America.

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