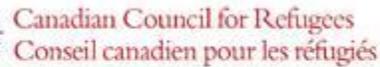


Please help us get the word out on this amazing, sudden event!

Many thanks,
Yvette



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Public Meeting and Discussion in Charlottetown - *Refugees Welcome Here!*

(April 28, 2015, Charlottetown, PEI) Please join the PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada for *Refugees Welcome Here!* – a public meeting and discussion, on Thursday, May 5th, from 6:30 – 8:00pm at the Murphy’s Community Centre at 200 Richmond Street in Charlottetown.

This event is presented in partnership with Amnesty International Canada, Amnistie internationale Canada, and the Canadian Council for Refugees. These organizations have come together to provide information to Islanders about refugee protection and to promote positive change in Canada’s refugee policy. Against the backdrop of Canadians’ generous response to the Syrian refugee crisis, the *Refugees Welcome Here! Campaign* highlights three themes: refugee family reunification, fairness for refugee claimants, and protection for refugees from all regions.

Come and share knowledge about refugee rights and advocacy. The event’s guest speakers are Jihane El Atifi, a social justice, community development and public education professional, and Christina Harrison Baird, a lawyer specializing in international human rights and migration. “Islanders are renowned for the warm welcome that they extend to all. We are delighted to be working with the PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada on this public event. We are looking forward to a rich conversation about fair refugee policies and best practices for welcoming newcomers,” says Christina.

Nancy Clement, Community Outreach Facilitator for the PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada, is thrilled to be bringing these speakers to the Province. “We are so pleased and fortunate to have Christina and Jihane come to P.E.I. to present on the topic of refugees. This is a fantastic opportunity for all Islanders to gain more knowledge about the reality of refugees settling in Canada and on the Island.”

Who is invited? Interested Islanders, former refugees, elected officials, public servants, private sponsors of refugees, settlement professionals, community service providers, refugee advocates—everyone! PEI ANC hopes to see you there!

For more information about *Refugees Welcome Here!* please contact Nancy Clement at 902-628-6009 or email at nancy@peianc.com.

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