

How much does it cost?

There is **NO** cost for this program.

What are the program dates and times?

Session 1 (8:30 A.M – 4:00P.M)

July 28, 29, 30, 31
(For youth between 11 - 14 years old)

Session 2 (8:30 A.M – 4:00P.M)

August 5, 6, 7, 8
(For youth between 15 - 18 years)

What do I bring?

Participants are required to bring a peanut free packed lunch.

What is provided?

Snacks and drinks will be provided along with 2 TTC tickets a day.

Tickets will be offered to all participants to reconnect at a dress rehearsal performance.

The Final Performance

Upon completion of the program, participants will showcase their newly developed skills in a final performance for the community.

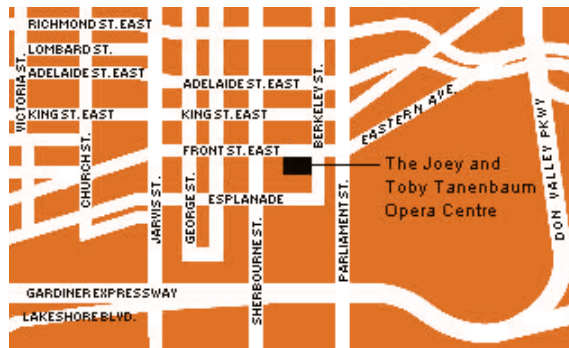
Location & Directions

The Joey and Toby Tanenbaum Opera Centre
(227 Front Street East)

Subway/Streetcar: Yonge Street subway to King Street and travel east on the 504 streetcar. Exit at Parliament Street and walk one block south and one block west.

Don Valley Parkway: Take Downtown exit. Eastern Avenue becomes Front Street. The opera centre is located one block west of Parliament Street.

Gardiner Expressway: Take Jarvis Street exit to Lake Shore Boulevard. Turn left on Sherbourne Street, and right on Front Street.



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TORONTO OPERA PROGRAM

T.O.P.

The Toronto Opera Program is a new day program commencing in July 2008 and funded by ProAction "Cops & Kids." It is a program created in partnership between the Toronto Police Service and the Canadian Opera Company.

What is T.O.P. ?

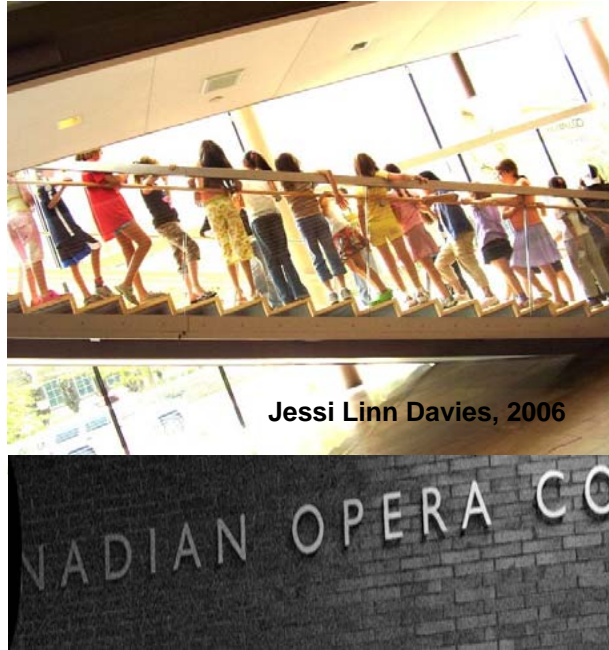
As participants in T.O.P, youth will be introduced to opera through activities that emphasize the core elements of operatic performance and production.

Members of the Toronto Police Service and youth will work with professional artist-educators and their peers to write and create an operatic performance, using the key elements of *voice, drama, movement and design.*

Youth participants will also gain insight into the skills and professions needed to create a professional opera production through educational tours of the Joey and Toby Tanenbaum Opera Centre and the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts.

Who are the participants?

The objective of T.O.P is to offer a unique opportunity for at-risk youth 11 to 18 years of age to experience the world of Opera.



The purpose of T.O.P

- To encourage teamwork, self-expression, critical thinking and creativity among participants
- Promote a healthy relationship between youth and police officers
- Develop youth leadership and life skills
- Increase young people's self-image and confidence
- To identify skill sets and passions
- Move youth from high-risk or at-risk to a lower risk category
- Expose youth to the diverse employment opportunities within the Toronto Police Service and the Arts and Culture sector
- Create an opportunity for youth to express them selves in a new way and open a gateway for making positive choices

