#### Who we are

Through this program, we are encouraging people to consider physical fitness and mental fitness by cultivating positive thoughts and actions such as non-violence, respect for others, generosity, honesty in relationships, be focused and be mindful and kind. Such positive actions can benefit everyone as individuals, communities and as a nation.

Through the mindfulness and kindness is the awareness of inner transformation we are bringing to the public, that all personal and social problems can be eliminated simply by changing negative mind to positive mind. This can be achieved by planting the seeds of good values in every individual, irrespective of ethnic and religious faith.

#### **Event Address**

**The International Center – Conference Center** 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga, Ontario, L4V 1E8

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# PROGRAM OF THE 2ND ANNUAL KINDFUL CANADA SYMPOSIUM

## Making Canada a More Mindful and Kinder Nation with the Urban Buddhist Monk



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018 10 A.M. TO 6:30 P.M. THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, MISSISSAUGA

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Special Greeting Message from the Right Honorable Justin Trudeau, the Prime Minister of Canada



PRIME MINISTER . PREMIER MINISTRE

September 22, 2018

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone taking part in the 2nd Annual Kindful Canada Symposium.

This event promotes physical and mental health, along with harmony and kindness, themes that can be appreciated by people

of all ages and backgrounds. I am certain that everyone in attendance will benefit from the many activities planned for today, and will leave inspired to put what they have learned into practice.

I would like to thank Canada: A Kindful Nation for bringing this event to the community. I commend your efforts to encourage others to embrace the principles and methods of meditation as part of a healthy lifestyle.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer my best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable day.

Sincerely,



The Rt. Hon. Justin P.J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada





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September, 2019



Personal Message from Mayor Bonnie Crombie

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the great City of Mississauga and Members of my Council, I would like to recognize the tremendous work undertaken by all the volunteers and leadership for hosting and organizing the second annual Kindful Canada Symposium.

I would like to acknowledge the Urban Buddhist Monk, Dr. Bhante Saranapala, the founder and president of "Canada: A Mindful and Kind Nation." Your kindful foundation dedicates itself to building a broader community of support that nourishes intellectual and emotional growth, while embracing and upholding mindfulness meditation and kindness practices for mental health.

In Mississauga we celebrate the diversity of our people; their cultural backgrounds; and faiths. Over half of all Mississauga residents were born outside Canada; our people speak a remarkable 200 different languages from over 150 different countries.

Once again, I would like to offer my best wishes to the organizers and participants of the second annual Kindful Canada Symposium.May this be an enriching experience for everyone involved, and may you depart this event having made new and lasting friendships.

Warmest Regards,

Bonnie Chombrie

Bonnie Crombie, MBA, ICD.D Mayor, City of Mississauga

Special Greeting Message from Peel Police Chief



# PEEL REGIONAL POLICE A Safer Community Dogether



**Chief Jennifer Evans** 

PROUD TO BE PEEL

August 9, 2018

#### A Message from Chief Jennifer Evans

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate you on your 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kindful Canada Symposium on September 22, 2018, at the International Centre, Mississauga.

Health and safety is as important as mindfulness and mental health within our community, and our officers alike.

On behalf of all the men and women of Peel Regional Police I wish you every success at the Symposium, and sincerely hope each and every one of those in attendance has an enjoyable day.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Evans Chief of Police



Making Canada a More Mindful and Kindful Nation With the Urban Buddhist Monk

- To bring awareness of good values in people
- To promote physical and mental fitness and mental health
- To promote a way of life based on tolerance, concord and kindness
- To promote good will and harmony in action, speech and thought
- To make Canada the happiest, healthiest, kindest and the most peaceful nation through meditation
- To lead by example, as a Mindful Nation, and collaborate with other nations to shape a more Mindful World

### **Speakers**



#### VEN. BHANTE SARANAPALA

The Urban Buddhist Monk, Global Public Speaker and Teacher of Mindfulness Meditation, Spiritual Counsellor & Founder of "Canada: A Mindful and Kind Nation"





DR. PAUL RITVO Scientist and Professor of Kinesiology and Health Sciences, York University



Mr. SATISH VERMA President & CEO of THINK & GROW RICH INSTITUTE



**MR. PETER TOLIAS** Founder of "I CAN, WE CAN"



DR. ARTHUR LOCKHART Founder of the Gatehouse, Author, Filmographer, Ba Daun Jin Instructor



JON CARSON The Mindful Cop, Constable



DR. NAUMAN NAEEM Physician and Author



DR. NORMAN FARB Assistant Professor in Psychology, University of Toronto



DR. CUONG TRAN

Inferral Tai Chi Instructor &

Radiologist, Credit Valley Hospital

MS. KRISTIN DEMENY MC of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kindful Canada Symposium, News Anchor, Yours TV Halton News



MR. TROY MACLEAN MC of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kindful Canada Symposium, Mindfulness Meditation Practitioner



MASTER TERESA YEUNG Founder of Pureland International - The Seventh Happiness School of Qi Gong

# **Event Schedule**

CEO & President – Think & Grow Rich Institute

MCs	Ms. Kristin Demeny – News Anchor, Your TV Halton Mr. Troy MacLean – Sempai (Karate Master) & Mindfulness Meditation Practitioner	3.00 P. M.	Group Qi Gong Practice Guided by Master Teresa Yeung Founder of Pureland International - The Seventh Happiness School of Chi Gong
10.00 A. M.	Doors Open	3.15 P. M.	Kindful Tea Break
10.30 A. M.	Symposium Begins! Welcome Speech By Venerable Dr. Bhante Saranapala, Founder and President of Canada: A Mindful and Kind Nation By Mr. John Tan – Founder of "Inspiring Minds Canada VIP Speeches – MPs, Mayors, City Councillors	3.45 P. M.	<b>PTSD to Mindfulness - Training before the Trauma</b> By Mr. Jon Carson, The Mindful Cop <b>Neuroscience Research of Meditation for Mental Health</b> <b>and Happy Life</b> By Dr. Norman Farb, Assistant Professor in Psychology, University of Toronto
11.00 A. M.	<b>Engaging in The Social Transformative Paradigm</b> By Dr. Arthur Lockhart, Founder of the Gatehouse, Humber College <b>Kindfulness for Minimizing Social Harm</b> By Venerable Dr. Bhante Saranapala, The Urban Buddhist Monk and the Founder & President of "Canada: A Kindful Nation"	5.30 P. M.	Health Behaviour Change, Smartphone Interventions, and the Neurophysiological Effects of Meditation and Physical Exercise By Dr. Paul Ritvo, Scientist and Professor of Kinesiology and Health Sciences, York University Group Mindfulness Meditation Practice
12.15 P. M.	<b>Tai Chi Practice</b> Guided by Dr. Cuong Tran Infferal Tai Chi Instructor & Radiologist – Credit Valley Hospital		Guided by Venerable Dr. Bhante Saranapala <b>Gratitude Speech</b> By Mr. Michael Weldon Secretary of Canada: A Mindful and Kind Nation
12.30 P. M.	Kundful Lunch Break		<b>Kindful Song with Mandala</b> By Dr. Mitchell Abrams
1.15 P. M.	Goal Setting - Positive Visualization - Believing in Yourself By Mr. Peter Tolias, Founder of "I CAN, WE CAN"		Radiologist and Founder of Dr. Bird Foundation
	Flow: The Ultimate Mindful State By Dr. Nauman Naeem, Physician & Author, Think and Grow Rich with Kindfulness Mr. Satish Verma	6.30 P. M.	End & Going home inspired with a heart full of kindfulness!