



Press Release

YPFDJ and Hidri Toronto Event brings Community Together

Toronto, Ont, November 3, 2010 -- YPFDJ and Hidri Toronto reported a successful reunion get-together for participants to the 4th Sawa Youth Festival/ Zura N' Hagerka program and delegate attendees to the 6th YPFDJ-NA Conference held in Washington, DC during this past summer. The event was held on Saturday Oct.30th at the local Eritrean community Centre (ECAO) with an impressive turnout in attendance. The extent of this success can largely be attributed to the relentless work and support of the omnipresent Eritrean mothers.

The evening started out with a presentation and slide show on the experience witnessed by the Youths while in Eritrea. Furthermore, a well-documented and detailed account on their experience of the trip was presented and could be described as captivating as it was also enticing to watch. The evening then continued on with social games and dance to the satisfaction of attendees.

The event registered a significant number of individuals who had never been previously engaged with the movement, and to the organizers belief it was so rewarding to witness.

Organizers also stressed on the importance of holding such events more regularly so as to foster and advance bonds among Eritrean Youths and community members alike. This type of gatherings, it was noted, helps the Eritrean community in the city of Toronto grow and acquire necessary strength to gain relevance within its community.

In addition, Mr Negusse Tewelde, President of the *Eritrean Canadian Association of Ontario*, reiterated on the availability of Community facilities to host and provide programs and services to the benefit of its members, in particular, the youth. He also stressed on the fundamental importance of having a Youth well-versed and confident with their mother tongue and identity for a brighter future.

YPFDJ and Hidri Toronto would like to thank all those who assisted and volunteered their time to allow such an event to take place. In particular, a special thanks to the Mothers.

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