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Celebration of mural in Toronto's rainbow tunnel

Toronto City Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong (Ward 34 Don Valley East) along with City staff, youth associated with Flemingdon Park Services, other community members and the organization Mural Routes will participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the rainbow tunnel mural on Friday. The tunnel is part of the railway line on the east side of the Don Valley Parkway near Lawrence Avenue.

Date: Friday, August 23

Time: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. – remarks at 10 a.m.

Location: Rainbow Tunnel, Moccasin Trail Park, 55 Greenbelt Dr.

(Directions: From Moccasin Trail Park, follow the trail at the south end of the parking lot. A sign designates the entrance for the East Don Trail, which leads under the Don Valley Parkway to the rainbow tunnel.)

The City of Toronto worked in partnership with Mural Routes to refurbish the painted rainbow, which has been visible for many years from the northbound side of the Don Valley Parkway, and to paint a mural inside the concrete tunnel.

The project engaged youth and community volunteers, providing a youth employment opportunity and connecting participants with the local natural environment. It is hoped that creation of the mural will discourage future graffiti by fostering a sense of community ownership of the site.

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