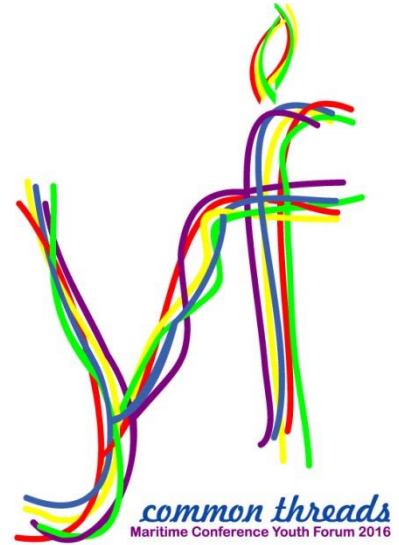


May 13, 2016



Dear Youth Forum applicant,

Congratulations! You have been selected to participate in Maritime Conference Youth Forum 2016!

Youth Forum Weekend will be a lot of fun! You'll meet new people and make friends from all over the Maritimes. Together, we'll sing, worship, have some in-depth discussions, and make some pretty fun memories!

Our Co-directors, Alicia and Ross, have included a letter with information about what you can expect with regard to this year's theme, Common Threads, and other important discussions that will be taking place during Youth Forum weekend.

You will find a list of frequently asked questions, as well as a list of what and what not to bring with you for the weekend. As well, you will find a copy of our **Youth Forum Covenant**, an agreement that you will abide by the rules of Youth Forum. Please review this with your parents/guardians, sign, and bring with you when you register at Youth Forum.

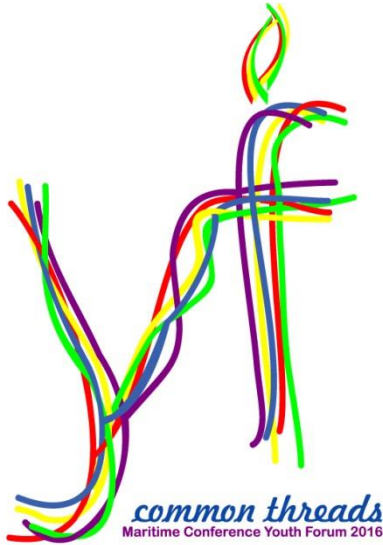
Knowing that circumstances can arise, should you not be able to come to YF, please let me know as soon as you can. Rooming lists will be submitted on Monday, May 16 so please let me know before then to avoid you and your Presbytery being charged for meals and accommodations. Should you have any questions at all between now and when we gather at YF, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at christopher@youthforum.ca or (506) 651-9694.

On behalf of the entire Youth Forum Team, we can't wait to see you in Sackville!

Have a terrific day and God Bless,

Christopher Lane
Registrar, Maritime Conference Youth Forum

Welcome to Youth Forum 2016!



Whether you're a returning participant, or someone joining us for the first time, we are very excited about what we have planned for this year!

Our whole Youth Forum team is looking forward to having you join us at Mount Allison University May 26-29th.

Our theme is **Common Threads**. When we hear the phrase "Common Threads", what comes to mind? We gather as people from all across Maritime Conference, what connections do we share with each other? We are going to have time to explore our Common Threads. This year we are blessed with the opportunity to spend time with a few guest speakers, some who you may know and some who you will encounter for the first time.

During Youth Forum you will participate in a number of experiences; small group discussions, large group gatherings, singing, fun games, new friends, moments of excitement, moments of quiet and lots of praise!

This year, we have planned a special "Coffee House" for Friday evening, if you have a talent to share, come prepared, bring your instruments along if you wish. We will be collecting names of performers by Friday morning.

In the lead up to May 26th, be sure to "Like" our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/marconfyouthforum, follow us on Twitter @youthforum and follow us on Instagram (youthforum). Comment on our page or tweet at us. We encourage you to meet some of the other people joining us.

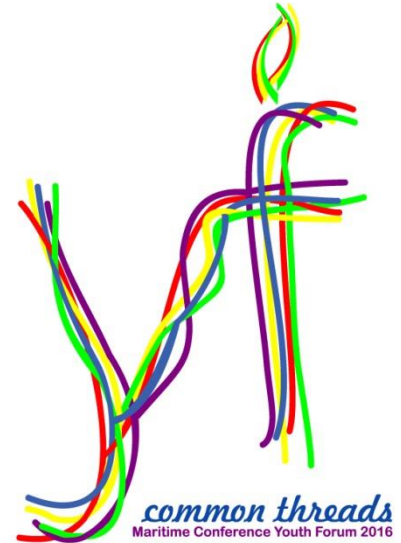
We look forward to meeting all the new participants and reconnecting with returning friends! Are you counting down the days? (We are!)

All the best,

Alicia Walls & Ross Sherwood
YF Co-Directors 2016

So what do I do next?

Good question!



Meet us at Registration and Check-In on Thursday, May 26th from 2:00PM to 5:00PM.

Registration is located at Harper residence in the quad by Campbell/Jennings on May 26, Thursday, starting at 2:00PM. (See map below for more information – Look for Building **26** on the Map)

What to Bring!

- Casual clothes and comfy shoes
- One set of “church” clothes
- Raincoat and umbrella
- Toiletries and any medication needed
- Towel, face cloth and shower shoes
- Alarm clock and watch
- Notebook or journal and a pen
- Bible and any other resource material you might like to bring
- Musical instruments for the Coffee House – if you play one (and it’s packable) bring it along!
- Refillable water bottle
- Snacks to share (optional) – NO nuts. There will be no trips to the store during YF weekend.
- A few bucks for the vending machine or late night pizza (optional)
- Camera (optional)

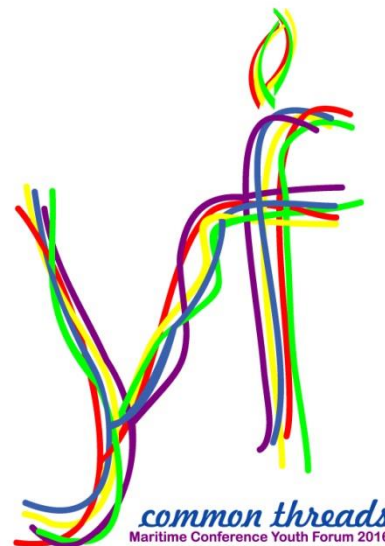
What NOT to Bring!

- Laptop, portable computer, iPad
- Video games
- Alcohol or drugs – We have a zero tolerance policy for these items
- Bedding and pillow – These will be provided for you.

If you Bring . . .

An iPod or MP3 player to unwind with during free time or help you to fall to sleep at night, and/or a cell phone for emergencies/ calling on the road/ or for an alarm clock or camera, please know that these are only to be used during free time, not during Home Group or Large Group times. If they are being used inappropriately, you’ll be asked to return them to your room.

Frequently Asked Questions



WHEN AND WHERE IS REGISTRATION?

New location this year! Registration takes place on Thursday, May 26th between 1:00PM and 4:00PM at Harper residence in the quad by Campbell/Jennings (see map below for more information). YF Programming officially begins at 3:00PM, so best to arrive between 1:00PM and 2:30PM.

HOW WILL I KNOW WHERE TO GO?

Don't panic, there will be lots of YF Facilitators around to help find your way to registration. They'll even walk you over to your residence and help carry your luggage up to your room. They're pretty nice folks!

WHAT IF I CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE REGISTRATION TIME ON THURSDAY?

Don't worry, just email, text or call me (Christopher) and let me know that you'll be late arriving. Try to give an estimated time of arrival and I'll be sure to meet you and show you where to go! My cell number is 506-651-9694. YF programming begins with your first Home Group time on Thursday at supper. This is an integral part of the YF experience. As a result, no late arrivals will be permitted after Friday at 12 Noon.

WHAT IF I CAN'T ATTEND YOUTH FORUM?

Please notify Christopher at christopher@youthforum.ca right away if you find that you are now unable to attend Youth Forum. You will also need to contact your Presbytery and/or Pastoral Charge to let them know that you will not be attending. Each Presbytery has its own cancellation policy, but once the rooming list has been sent to Mount Allison Conference Services (Monday, May 16), your Presbytery will be charged for accommodations and meals if you are unable to attend.

ARE ALL MY MEALS INCLUDED IN THE YOUTH FORUM PRICE?

All your meals for the weekend are included, except for your lunch on Thursday and on Sunday.

DO YOU ASSIST WITH TRAVEL COSTS?

No, we cannot assist you with your travel costs to and from Youth Forum. We do, however, encourage you to look for others in your area traveling so that you may car pool to Sackville. Your minister will most likely be going, so they may have an empty seat for you. If you'd like to know if any other youth from your area might like to carpool, email me at christopher@youthforum.ca and I'll pass along their contact information.

WILL I HAVE A ROOMMATE?

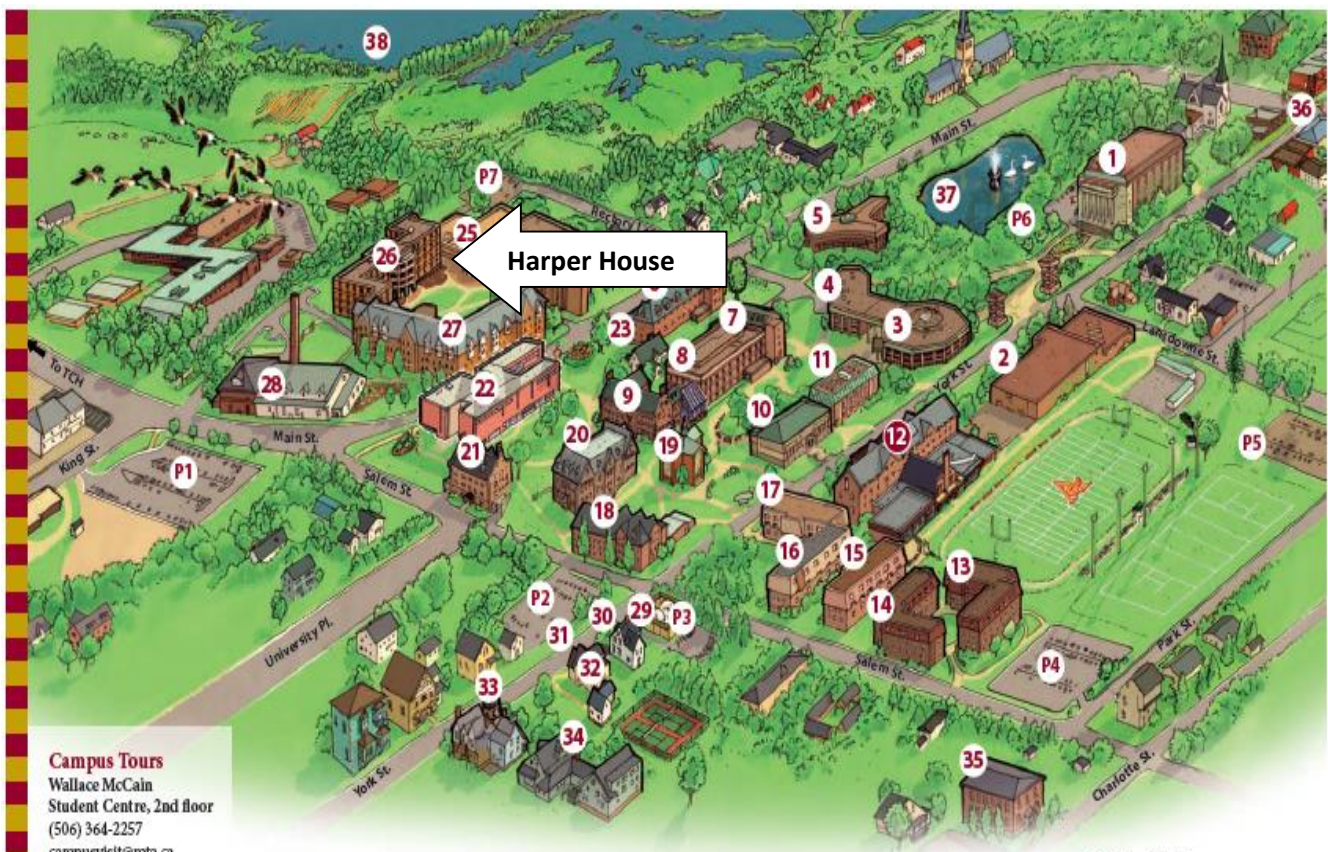
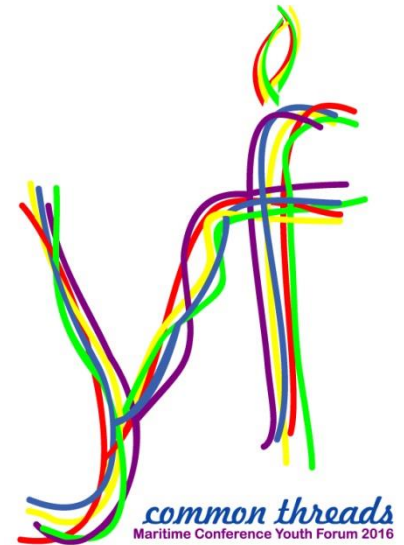
There is a possibility that you may have a roommate for the weekend. Some rooms are single and some are double. In any case, you will be rooming with, or on the same floor, as others in your home group.

WHAT IS A "HOME GROUP" AND A "LARGE GROUP"?

A Home Group is your small, "family" like group for the weekend. There will likely be 10-12 teens in this group, plus your two facilitators. A Large Group is when everyone at Youth Forum comes together to sing, worship and discuss the theme.

Mount Allison University

Campus Map



Campus Tours
Wallace McCain
Student Centre, 2nd floor
(506) 364-2257
campusvisit@mta.ca

Admissions
Registrar's Office
Mount Allison University
62 York St.
Sackville N.B. E4L 1E2
(506) 364-2269
admissions@mta.ca
mta.ca/apply



Parking:

- P1 King St. lot (24hr)
- P2 Dunn lot
- P3 Hillcrest lot
- P4 Thornton & Edwards lot (24hr)
- P5 Lansdowne lot (24hr)
- P6 Marjorie Young Bell Convocation Hall lot
- P7 Rectory Lane lot
- 1 Marjorie Young Bell Convocation Hall
- 2 Athletic Centre
- 3 Ralph Pickard Bell Library
- 4 Crabtree Building
- 5 Marjorie Young Bell Conservatory of Music
- Brunton Auditorium
- 6 Award-Odon Building
- Rox Joyce Centre for Business Studies
- 7 Hart Hall
- 8 Barclay Building
- 9 Flemington Building

- 10 Owens Art Gallery
- 11 Gahdner Fine Arts Building
- 12 Wallace McCain Student Centre
Admissions/Registrar's Office
The Agosy (student newspaper)
Campus Tours
CHMA (campus and community radio)
Fitness Centre
Grade's Cafe
International Centre
Meligen Centre
Mount Allison Students' Union (MASU) Office
Student Affairs
The Pond (campus pub)
Tweesle Hall
University Bookstore
Wellness Centre
- 13 Thornton House
- 14 Edwards House

- 15 Hunkin House
- 16 Bennett House
- 17 Bigelow House
- 18 Sir James Dena Building
Wix Centre
- 19 Chapel
- 20 Centennial Hall
Financial Services
Human Resources
President's and Vice-Presidents' Offices
Research Office
University Advancement
Alumni, Marketing and Communications,
and Development Offices
- 21 Bennett Building
- 22 Purdy Crawford Centre for the Arts
(opening 2014)
- 23 President's Cottage
- 24 Windsor Hall

- 25 Jennings Dining Hall
- 26 Harper Hall
- 27 Campbell Hall
- 28 Facilities Management
Housing, Conferences, and Event Services
- 29 Geminal Observatory
- 30 Colville House
- 31 The Anchorage
- 32 Carriage House
- 33 Hammond House (President's Residence)
- 34 Bernoda House
Hammond Studio
- 35 Pavilion Bousquet
- 36 Downtown Sackville
- 37 Swan Pond
- 38 Sackville Waterfowl Park