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Mississauga News
By Rick Drennan

MISSISSAUGA — It's all about investing in our girls.

Interim Place hosts its third International Day of the Girl Child with a community luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 11.

The shelter for women hopes to raise awareness about the importance of investing in our future – our girls. Novotel Hotel (Burnhamthorpe and Hwy 10) will host the event.

Since the United Nations declared this special day three years ago, Interim Place has consistently marked it in the Region of Peel.

The event is hosted by Nikki Clarke, TV personality, and singer/songwriter. Sharon Floyd, executive director of Interim Place, will begin the day with opening remarks.

Interim Place has been providing shelter and support services for women and their children who are fleeing violence in the Peel Region for more than 32 years. It has supported more than 39,000 women and children since its doors opened in 1981.

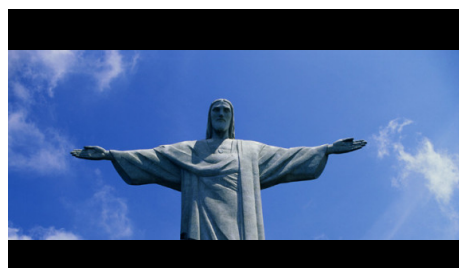
The luncheon's keynote address will be delivered by filmmaker and community activist Sue Chun, who'll discuss her journey of becoming a young filmmaker after her struggles coming from the Jane and Finch community in Toronto.

Entertainment will be provided by drummer Shara Claire and her group from Finding Rhythm. The event will also include a vendor fair with both community agencies as well as businesses with many products and services catered to women and girls as well as an art exhibit of artistic items. This is produced through Interim Place's "Her Life Her Canvas" arts based healing project for women survivors.

For ticket information, contact Farheen Khan, manager of development, Interim Place at 905-403-9691x2223 or email development@interimplace.com.

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