

Program



NATIONAL FORUM ON YOUTH VOTING

FORUM NATIONAL SUR LE VOTE DES JEUNES

October 30

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Registration (Kensington Room)

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Working dinner (Kensington Room)

- Welcome by Forum co-chairs: *Phillip Haid* (Manifest Communications) and *Dominique Anglade* (Nortel Networks)
- Keynote address: *Jean-Pierre Kingsley* (Chief Electoral Officer of Canada)
- Table discussions: What can Elections Canada and others do to improve youth voter turnout at the next federal election?
- Report back: key points from table discussions
- Summing up: Forum co-chairs

October 31

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Continental breakfast (Kensington Room)

8:30 – 8:45 a.m.

Introduction to the day's proceedings: Forum co-chairs

8:45 – 10:15 a.m.

Presentations by organizations engaged with youth (Kensington Room)

- *Paul Green* (Rush the Vote)
- *Julianna Torjek* (City of Vancouver Civic Youth Strategy)
- *Carle Bernier-Genest* (Forum jeunesse de l'île de Montréal)

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Health break

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Breakout sessions – What can be done on an ongoing basis to improve youth voter turnout?
(breakout rooms)

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch (Kensington Room)

- Guest speaker: *Roger Gibbins* (President, Canada West Foundation)

1:15 – 1:45 p.m.

Report back from breakout sessions (Kensington Room)

1:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Concluding panel and discussion (Kensington Room)

Commentators:

- *Thomas Axworthy* (Executive Director, Historica Foundation)
- *Lisa Young* (Department of Political Science, University of Calgary)

3:00 p.m.

Closing remarks (Kensington Room)

- Forum co-chairs
- *Jean-Pierre Kingsley*