

Eastern Canada Region
Sorooptimist International of the Americas
92nd Annual Spring Conference
April 26-28, 2024

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APRIL 26 - 28, 2024

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Novotel Toronto North York
3 Park Home Ave, Toronto



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Eastern Canada Region

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Hosted by
SI Toronto – Celebrating 90 Years!**

**NOVOTEL NORTH, TORONTO
PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

FRIDAY, April 26, 2024

12:00 PM - ECR Board Meeting with Official Visitor, SIA Director Melanie Kenny

3:00 PM	Check-in/Registration Desk Opens	
5:00 PM	OPENING OF CONFERENCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land Acknowledgement - Welcome - ECR Club Presidents - Official Opening - Call to Order INTRODUCTIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eastern Canada Region Board - Parliamentarian - Federation Official Visitor - Soroptimist Foundation of Canada - 2024 Conference Committee 	SI Toronto – Jean Skillman President SI Toronto, Estatira Shirkhodaee Governor Gertrud Governor Gertrud
	Virtual Greetings from SIA Letters of Greetings	SIA President Bobbi Enderlin SIA ED / CEO Michelle J. Burnett ECR Conference Secretary, Aline Chan
	Governor’s Message Club Anniversary Celebration	Governor Gertrud
6:00 PM	Close of Business Announcements	Governor Gertrud Conference Chair
6:30 PM	Dinner	
8:00 PM	Networking ECR Gift Card Draw Award for Best Presentation for Gift Card Marketplace Begins Special Presentation – 90 Years of Soroptimist in Toronto	SI Toronto Governor Gertrud SI Toronto

Saturday, April 27, 2024

8:00 AM	Breakfast	Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM	Registration Desk Opens	
9:00 AM	Morning Business Session Call to Order Welcome	Ballroom Governor Gertrud
	Recognition First Time Attendees Past Federation Board Members Past Governors	Givornor Elect Cheryl Ball
	Credentials Report	SI Toronto
	Roll Call of Voting Delegates Adoption of Standing Rules	ECR Conference Secretary Aline Chan
	Minutes of the 91st ECR Spring Conference	ECR Conference Secretary Aline Chan
9:15 AM	Governor's Remarks	Governor Gertrud
9:30 AM	Treasurer's Report	ECR Treasurer Karen Bortolin
	Vote on Budget 2024-25	Governor Gertrud and Treasurer Karen Bortolin
10:05 AM	Nomination Committee	Past Governor Jennifer Oliver
10:20 AM	Program Update	Directors Kesh Dissanayake and Raheleh Barkhordari
10:40 AM	BREAK and Marketplace	
11:00 AM	Official Visitor's presentation	SIA Director Melanie Kenny Introduced by Governor Gertrud
11:30 AM	Pillar Presentation - Membership	Jean Skillman ECR Membership Chair
11:45 AM	Pillar Presentation - Fundraising	Cheryl Ball ECR Fundraising Chair
12:00 AM	Pillar Presentation - Public Awareness	Tanya Fusco (on behalf of Tanna Edwards) President SI Peterborough
12:15 AM	Announcements	SI Toronto
12:20 PM	LUNCH and Marketplace	
1:30 PM	Call to Order Credentials Report	Governor Gertrud SI Toronto
1:35 PM	Workshop Beyond Borders: Passport to Education, Friendship and Adventure	SIA Director Melanie Kenny Thanked by Cheryl Ball
2:45 PM	BREAK and Marketplace	
3:10 PM	Presentation	Yllka Bojku (introduced by Keshala Dissanayake, thanked by Raheleh Barkhordari)
4:00 PM	Close of Afternoon Session	Governor Gertrud
	Announcements	SI Toronto
6:00 –10:00 PM	SI Toronto 90th Anniversary Celebration	Ballroom

SUNDAY, April 28, 2024

8:00 AM	Breakfast Registration Desk Open Welcome	Ballroom Foyer
9:30 AM	Call to Order	Governor Gertrud
9:35 AM	Credentials Report	SI Toronto
9:40 AM	ECR Soroptimist Remembrance 2023-2024	Jean Skillman ECR Membership Chair
10:00 AM	Soroptimist Foundation of Canada	Wendy Templeton Director SFC
10:10 AM	SIA ECR Region Awards - Live Your Dream: Education & Training Awards	Governor Gertrud & SIA Director Melanie Kenny
10:20 AM	Speakers - Region LYD Award Winners 1 st Place Winner 2 nd Place Winner	Daryn Brito, SI Guelph Ida Mensah, SI Toronto
10:40 AM	BREAK – Cake from SFC & Marketplace	
11:15 AM	Guest Speaker, Karen Amanuah Korsah, Accra, Ghana	Introduced and thanked by Aline Chan
11:30 AM	ECR Region Awards - Conference Attendance Awards - Membership Satisfaction Award - Recruitment Award - Retention Award - Rose Bowl Award	Jean Skillman, ECR Membership Chair
11:45 AM	BEST FOR WOMEN LUNCHEON Ballroom	
1:00 PM	Induction of New Board	SIA Director Melanie Kenny and Past ECR Governor Jennifer Oliver
1:30 PM	Looking Ahead – 2024-2026 Biennium	Incoming Governor Cheryl Ball
1:45 PM	Club Announcements	Club Representatives ECR Conference Secretary Aline Chan
2:00 PM	Appreciation Save the Dates: SIA 2024 Convention 2024 Leadership Event (Virtual) 2024 Fall Meeting (Virtual) 2025 Spring Conference	Nancy Davidson, SI Grand Erie Bellevue WA July 24-27, 2024 September 26, 2024 October 24, 2024 SI Cambridge SI Guelph
2:30 PM	Closing Remarks & Adjournment	Governor Gertrud