



Message from the Mayor

It is my pleasure to extend greetings and a warm welcome to everyone participating in the virtual launch of the Asian Heritage Month Festival hosted by the Canadian Foundation for Asian Culture, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the declaration of Asian Heritage Month.

I would like to acknowledge the Honourable Bardish Chagger, Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth and the officiating party that will help launch the festival through a program of events.

I am pleased you are able to hold this virtual Asian Heritage Month Festival 2021, showcasing the cultural expressions and experiences of Asian Canadians. Even though the celebration is different this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it still allows us to recognize and celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our Asian community whose valued contributions to our city have helped shaped Toronto culturally, socially, economically and politically.

On behalf of Toronto City Council, please accept my best wishes for a memorable event and continued success.

Yours truly,

John Tory
Mayor of Toronto