DRUGS:

A Community Dialogue with Dr. Gabor Maté

Everybody uses drugs. Whether alcohol, antihistamines, or heroin, all of us put substances into our bodies to make us feel better sometimes. Join us for a community dialogue with Dr. Gabor Maté, members of the Downtown East community who have experienced poverty and homelessness, and service providers, on topics ranging from trauma, well being, and self medication; stigma, discrimination, and criminalization; poverty, gentrification, and services; and harm reduction.

When: Saturday June 8th from 12pm Sharp to 2pm Where: All Saint's Church, 315 Dundas E

Space is limited and will be first come first serve. Priority will be given to people who are homeless, under-housed or experiencing poverty. Space is wheelchair accessible. Food, refreshments, and childcare will be provided. This is a FREE event.

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Dr. Maté ran a popular family practice in East Vancouver for two decades. For seven years he also served as Medical Co-ordinator of the Palliative Care Unit at Vancouver Hospital, caring for the terminally ill. More recently he worked for twelve years in Vancouver's notorious Downtown Eastside neighbourhood with patients suffering from hardcore drug addiction, mental illness and HIV. Dr. Maté is the author of several noteworthy books, including his recent best seller, "In the Realm of Hungry Ghosts".