



**Conference Date: Saturday Oct 28th, 2017**

**Where:** Nikkei Place in Burnaby  
**6688 Southoaks Cres, Burnaby**  
*Wheelchair accessible facility. Freshen up areas will be set up.*

**Time:** 9:30 am – 4:30 pm  
*Registration is from 8:30 - 9:30. Conference begins at 9:30*

### What is it?

It is a forum for people using Alternative Augmentative Communication (AAC) to share their ideas as they work towards independence

### Who will attend:

Target Participants

- Individuals using AAC living in British Columbia
- Supporters of Individuals using AAC

Others welcome

- Professionals working in the field of AAC can attend, observe, and network.

*\* The aim of the conference is for the person who uses AAC to speak and be heard.*

### What is a Town Hall Meeting?

- Participants will sit in a circle so that everyone can see and hear what each other is saying.
- Supporters will sit behind the participant ready to assist **IF** necessary but will not speak for the individual.
- Roving microphones will be used to ensure that each speaker's voice is clearly heard.
- Participants will be encouraged to share their opinion on the topic questions provided ahead of time.
- Being part of the circle is the important aspect, if you are not comfortable speaking in public that is okay.

### PROGRAM

**8:30 – 9:30** Registration, Coffee, Welcome

**9:30 – 10:30** Creative Displays (1<sup>st</sup> half)

**10:30 – 11:30** Online connection with Toronto & Calgary

**11:30 – 12:30** Creative Displays (2<sup>nd</sup> half)

**12:30 – 2:30** **LUNCH**

**Please bring a lunch.** There is a kitchen facility  
 There will be a **photo booth** available  
 We will take the **group photo** at 2:15

**2:30 – 4:00** **TOWN HALL MEETING**

**TOPIC: A creAtive Canadian @ 150** – what is my perception of Canada as a person who uses AAC? How do I express that creatively?

- How you can **prepare** for the Town Hall Meeting:
  - Following registration, you will be sent a package to assist you in preparing for participation in the town hall meeting.
  - Please pre-program your system if necessary, and ensure that you have the right words available for this conversation.

**4:00 – 4:15** **TIME CAPSULE CEREMONY**

**4:15 – 4:30** **Good byes**