

# CONNECTING YOU TO PLAY: JOOAY

## Jooay App Monthly Newsletter

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### ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Jooay newsletter! Jooay is a free mobile and web app (<https://jooay.com/>) that helps children with disabilities and their families locate leisure opportunities that are close to where they live; accessible and inclusive; suit their needs and abilities; match their preferences; and can help them develop and participate in society.

Stay tuned for monthly updates on adapted leisure events and opportunities, as well as updates related to the Jooay App and our community. Let's help children get more involved in leisure together!

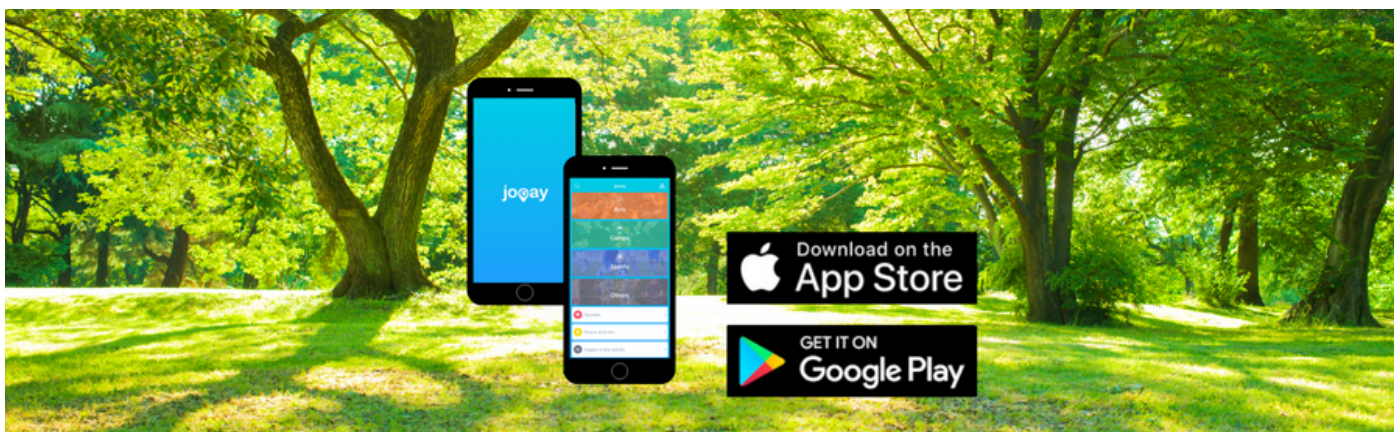
### ACTIVITIES

#### 1. National Mixed Ability Sport Week

Throughout the week, Mixed Ability Sports Canada will provide you with a variety of Mixed Ability events, tournaments, and FREE try-it sessions in your community.

Open to everyone of any ability, age, and skill level!

Read the report here:  
[National Mixed Ability Sport Week](#)



## 2. Acting and Performance Program

ReelAbilities Film Festival Toronto is excited to launch its inaugural Mentorship Program - Acting and Performance Stream for emerging Deaf and/or disabled actors in the film and TV industry in Canada. Have questions, want to request an alternative format, or need assistance? Email us at [raffhelp@mnjcc.org](mailto:raffhelp@mnjcc.org).

To apply, visit here:

**[Acting and Performance Program](#)**

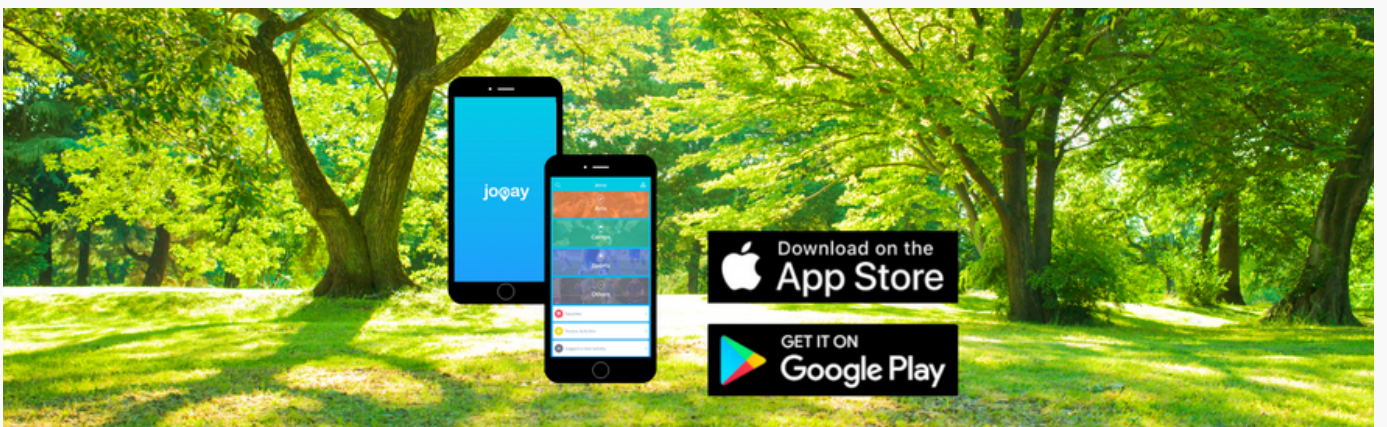


## 3. Career Link

Are you an individual with a disability that recently graduated and is unable to find employment in your field of study?

Career Link is for you! One-year wage subsidy and training provided.

To apply send your resume to:  
**[rcasey@teamworkbridge.org](mailto:rcasey@teamworkbridge.org)**



## 4. Whistler Adaptive Spring Registration is Open!

Spring has sprung! Whistler Adaptive spring programs will be returning in May and June this year!

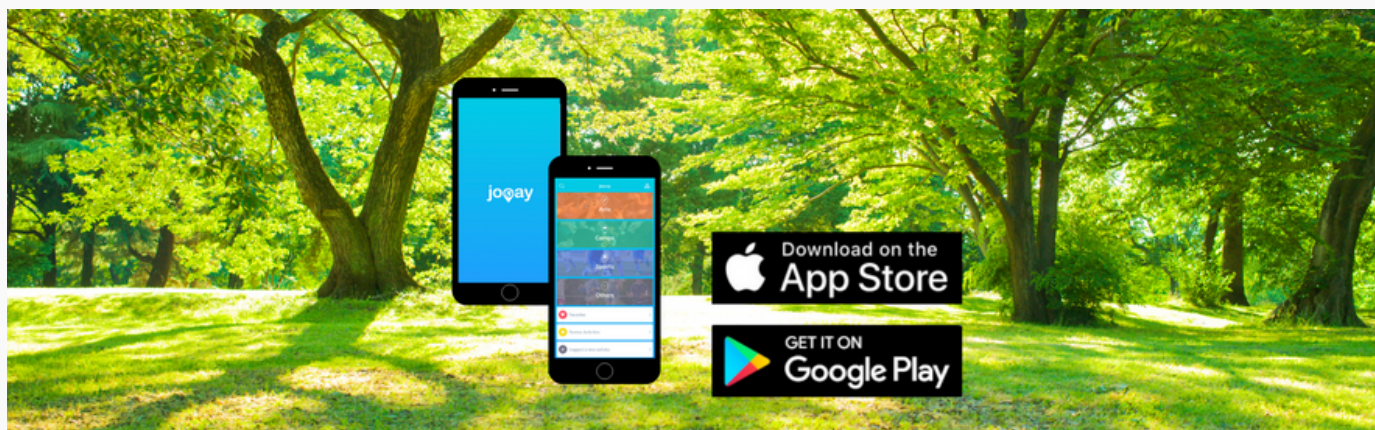
View the tutorial on how to register here:  
[Iclasspro Portal Tutorial](#)



## 5. Cruisers Try-it Session

Join Cruisers Sports on May 6th at the Toronto Track & Field Centre to give wheelchair racing a try with Cruisers coaches and athletes, including a 2020 Tokyo Paralympian!

For more info and to register by April 30th, visit:  
[Try-it Session Registration](#)



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## 6. Limb Loss & Limb Difference Awareness Month

April is Limb Loss & Limb Difference Awareness Month (LLLDAM), and you can join the celebration by sharing how you [#InspireToElevate](#) on Instagram

Many amputees have triumphant moments in their journey, and we encourage you to share those special moments to uplift and empower the limb loss and limb difference community.

[Take a look and join the celebration here](#)



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## 7. April is Autism Awareness Month!

Autism deserves to be not only recognized but celebrated because those with Autism help bring uniqueness and colour into our world!



# JOOAY APP UPDATES

BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD OUR UPGRADED ANDROID  
VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP!

FIND IT TODAY ON THE PLAY STORE & DISCOVER  
OUR NEW FEATURES.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE 'ONLINE'  
ACTIVITIES TAB!

The image features three smartphones against a green and blue bokeh background. The largest smartphone on the left displays the 'jooay' logo on a blue screen. The middle smartphone shows the app's main menu with categories: Arts, Camps, Sports, and Others, along with a bottom navigation bar containing Favorites, Review Activities, and Suggest a new activity. The rightmost smartphone displays the 'Art Activities' section, listing various online programs with ratings and 'Online' status. In the top right corner, there is a 'GET IT ON Google Play' button. In the bottom center, there is an 'Download on the App Store' button with the Apple logo.

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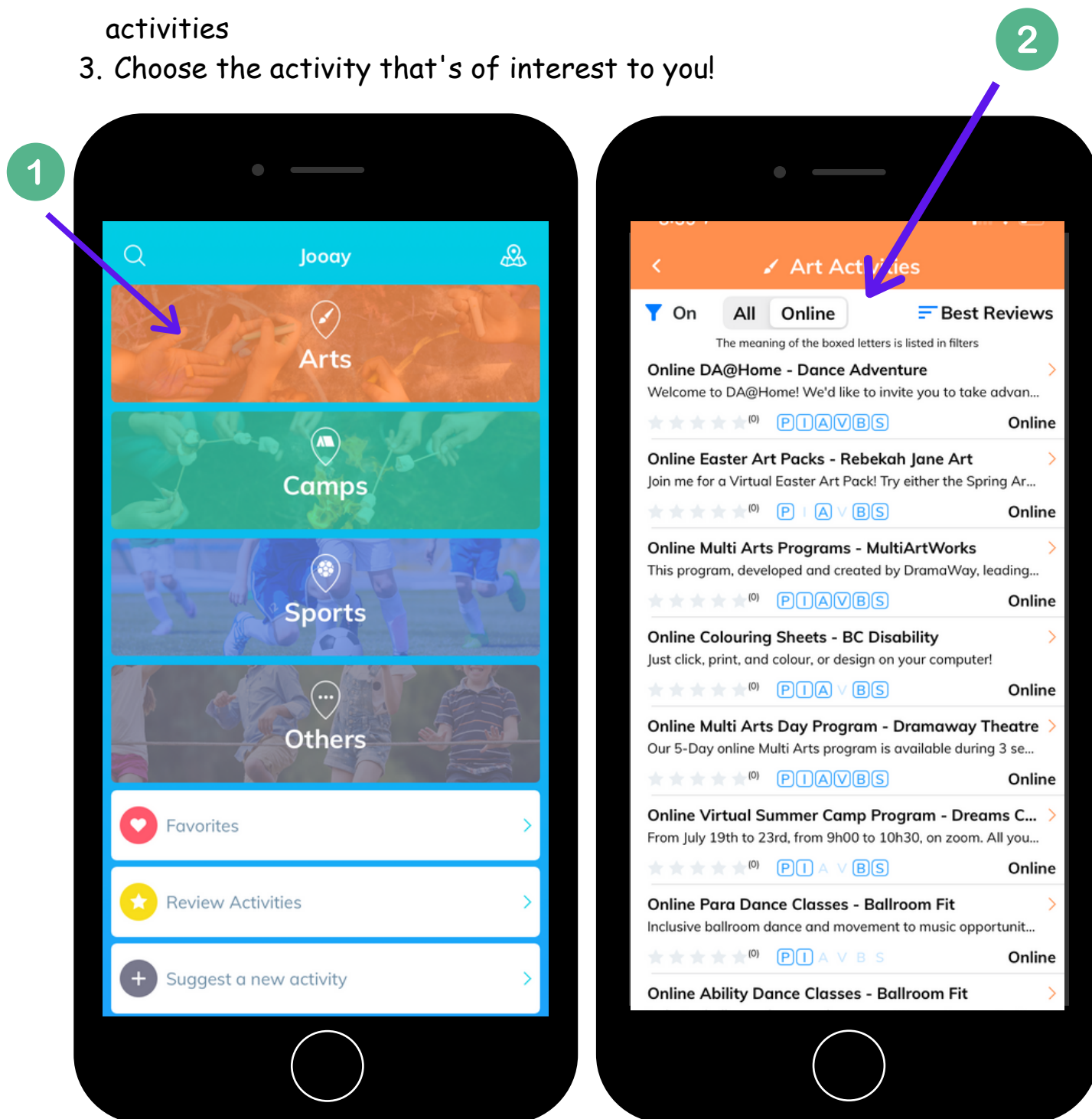
# THE UPGRADED ANDROID VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP

## HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE JOOAY APP?

### Tip #1: SEARCHING FOR ONLINE ACTIVITIES

When viewing an activity in the Jooay app ...

1. Select an option among the activity' categories
2. Select the 'Online' Tab to have access to virtual activities
3. Choose the activity that's of interest to you!



# THE UPGRADED ANDROID VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP

## HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE JOOAY APP?

### Tip #2: SEARCHING FOR THE TYPE OF SPECIAL NEED

When viewing an activity in the Jooay app ...

1. Select the filter of your choice
2. Click on "Apply Filters"

OR

3. When viewing activities, see the Letters which indicate the type of disability the activity is targeting



## Aidez-nous à améliorer Jooy!



### C'est quoi Jooy?

Jooy est une application mobile gratuite qui aide les jeunes handicapés et leurs familles à trouver des activités de loisirs adaptées et accessibles dans leur quartier.



### Quel est l'objectif de l'étude ?

Nous voulons simplement savoir quelles fonctionnalités et caractéristiques "fun" nous devrions ajouter dans l'application.



### Qui peut participer à ce projet ?

- Les jeunes handicapés (14-24 ans)
- Les parents de jeunes handicapés
- Cliniciens et éducateurs
- Représentants d'organisations communautaires

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### Le processus (100% en ligne)

- Entrevue individuelle (30-60 min.) ET/OU
- Groupe de discussion (1-2 heures)
- Remplissage d'un court formulaire à la fin.

GAGNEZ 20\$ en carte-cadeau pour votre aide!



Pour en savoir plus, veuillez nous contacter à l'adresse suivante  
[jooay@childhooddisability.ca](mailto:jooay@childhooddisability.ca)



## Help Us Improve Jooy!



### What is Jooy?

Jooy is a free mobile app that helps youth with disabilities and their families locate adapted and accessible leisure activities in their neighbourhoods.



### What is the aim of the study?

We want to find out what fun features we should add to the application.



### Who can take part in this project?

- Youth with disabilities (14-24 years old)
- Parents of youth with disabilities
- Clinicians and educators
- Community organization representatives

THANK YOU!

### The process (100% online)

- Individual interview (30-60 minutes) AND/OR
- Focus group (1.5-2 hours).
- Complete a form with some information about you.

Win a gift card (\$20) for your help!



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