# 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 (<a href="https://jooay.com/">https://jooay.com/</a>) 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. At Home Craft Ideas

Feeling Crafty?

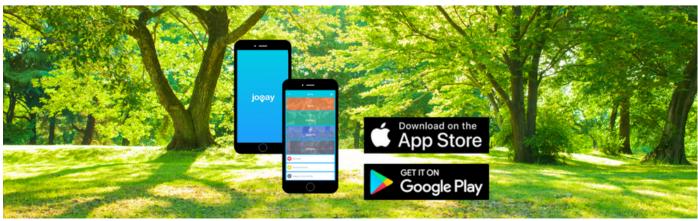
Coach Art has a list of 10 craft ideas for children with motor disabilities!

Check out the article here:

10 Easy Crafts for Kids With

Disabilities





# 2. Pride Month- disability Flag

Although Pride Month is in support of members of the LGBTQ+ group, many are not aware that there exists a disability pride flag as well!

Conceptualized in 2021, this flag incorporates sensory, psychiatric, invisible/undiagnosed, cognitive/intellectual, as well as physical disabilities.

To learn more, visit: <u>respect Ability's</u> article for a more detailed explanation.

#### 3. Colour Run/Walk in Wellsville NY

Live close to Wellsville NY?

If so, on June 24th, you might want to participate in their Disability

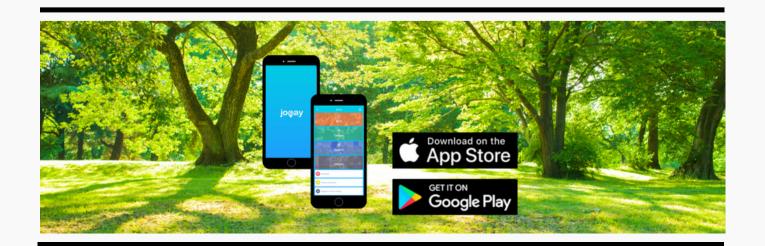
Pride Colour 5k or 1-mile walk or run open to all ages and abilities!

It may be too late to register for a free t-shirt, but it's not too late to sign up!



To learn more, visit:

Disability Pride Color Stride



## 4. Inclusive Summer Camp

It's camp season!

Still looking for an accessible and inclusive camp?

The Sunshine Day Camp in the Ottawa-Gatineau region still has spots open for its early July and mid-August groups. With specialized programs for children with learning disabilities and/or ADHD between the ages of 7 and 14, the Sunshine Day Camp is sure to keep your child smiling throughout the summer!

To learn more:

Sunshine Day Camp

# 5. Inclusive Summer Dance Camp

Dance PossAbilities will kick off summer with their Inclusive Summer Dance Camp!

You can explore different movement styles, making street styles inspired arts and crafts, and at the end of the week will show off their new moves in a video shoot and showcase!

Register here:

Inclusive Summer Dance Camp





# 6. Wheelchair-friendly Seat

John Morris, an accessible travel expert who uses a power wheelchair, flew to Hamburg, to check out a prototype of a new airline seat being unveiled by a subsidiary of Delta Air Lines on Tuesday that could dramatically—although not immediately—improve the flying experience for wheelchair users.

#### Read the full story



## 7. Inclusive Dance Party in Toronto

On June 27, Variety Ontario is hosting their annual all inclusive dance party at the Cabana Pool bar in Toronto!

Open to individuals ages 10 and up this event is hosting multiple Djs including 'Angelphroot', a Dj who identifies themselves as an individual with a disability.

Learn more and get your tickets here!





## 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!



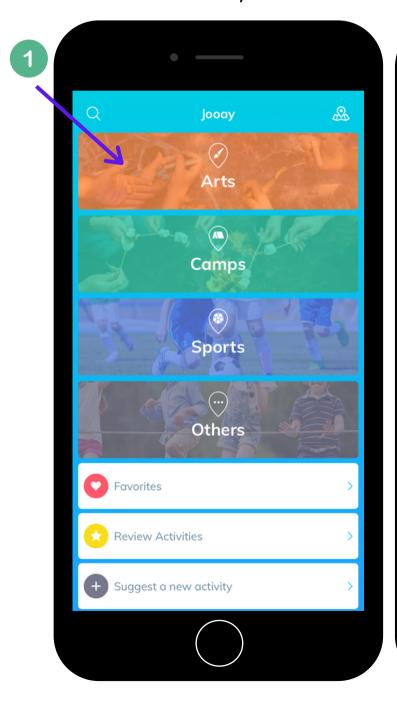
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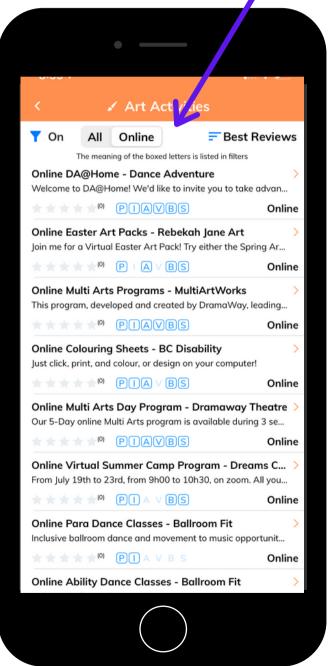
#### HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE JOOAY APP?

## 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!





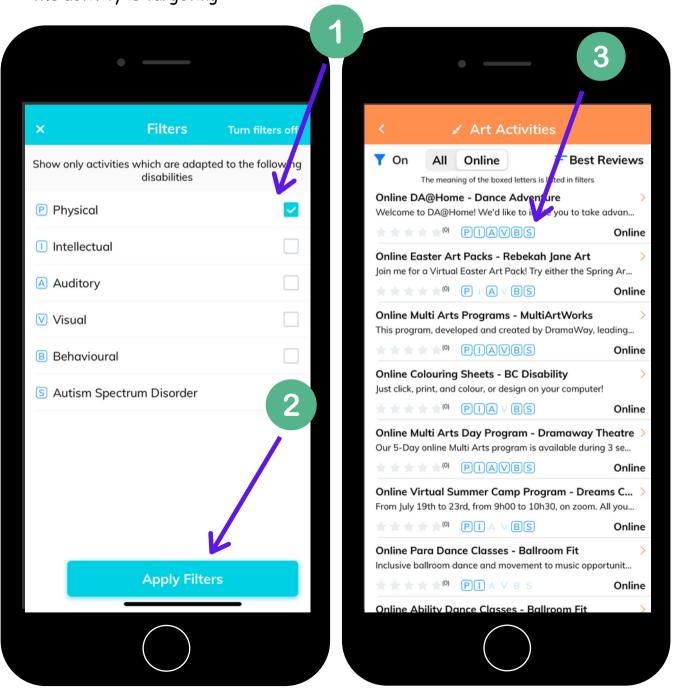
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# Tip #2: SEARCHING FOR THE TYPE OF SPECIAL NEED

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



# June is Parks and Recreation Month in Canada!

The Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA) celebrates the month of June as Parks and Recreation Month. The month provides the opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of parks and recreation and the role it plays in the quality of life for all Canadians.

To read more visit this webpage:

Canadian Parks and Recreation Association

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