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. Lacrossing Barriers Summer Camps across Canada

Lacrossing Barriers Camps are back this summer!

Three Camps this Summer: All Abilities and All Possibilities, Adaptive and Inclusive Lacrosse, Multi-Sport Camps for anyone who chooses. These camps feature fully accessible opportunities to share in a week of fun, encouragement and laughter.

Add in world-class facilitators helping share lacrosse, boxing, rugby, fitness, and stick stringing that provides everyone the opportunity to learn and grow the way they need.



Click here to learn more!



2. Recreation Respite Monthly Program across Canada

Recreational Respite's May Program Calendar is now out!

Registration is now open for Recreational Respite's online groups for Kids and Young Adults! Their inclusive groups foster outcomes such as creativity, critical thinking, independence, and self-discovery, along with healthy lifestyles, relationships, and success skills.

Click here to learn more!



3. Manitoba Theatre Summer Camp in Winnipeg, Manitoba

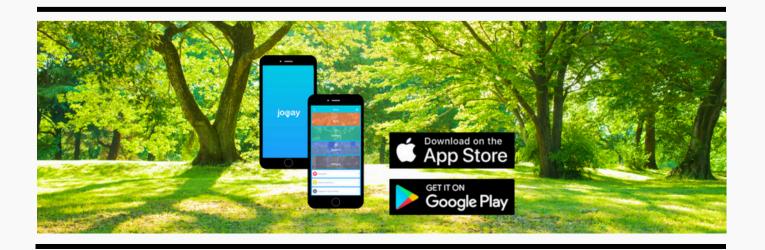
Manitoba Theatre for Young People has nine themed weeks of summer camps for youth ages 5–18!

Summer camp is a time for fun with new friends. At MTYP, their camps are full of opportunities to use your imagination, get into character, create theatre and film, and broaden your horizons.

Camps run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.



Click here to find out more!



4. BBNC EarlyON Junior Summer Camp in Toronto, Ontario

BBNC is proud to offer its Junior Summer Camp for Ages 3–5 with various engaging programs to empower youth by building confidence, developing skills, and fostering meaningful connections with peers.

Their camp is designed just for little ones and is filled with engaging activities, outdoor play, and lots of fun, all under the supervision of Registered Early Childhood Educators.



Click here to find out more!

5. Camp Horizon in Bragg Creek, Alberta

Easter Seals Camp Horizon offers life-changing accessible summer camp experiences in Alberta for children, youth, and adults with disabilities and medical conditions.

Located in the scenic foothills of the Rocky Mountains near Bragg Creek, their inclusive summer camp programs promote independence, personal growth, and unforgettable memories.



Click here to register!



6. Vipers Wheelchair Basketball Camp in Grimsby, Ontario

The Vipers Academy Summer Camp is back and better than ever! Join them on August 5–8 from 9 AM to 3 PM at the YMCA, 325 Main St E, Grimsby, for 4 days of camp fun, connection, and learning new things! Open to everyone ages five and up.

Whether you're new to the sport or a seasoned player, their camp offers something for everyone: skills and drills, gameplay, swimming, outdoor play, and even introductions to other adaptive sports!



Click here to learn more!

7. Foothills Academy Summer Camp in Calgary, Alberta

Camp Amicus is a unique summer camp designed for children and teens aged 8–18 with ADHD and/or Learning Disabilities. It has been providing campers with an unforgettable experience that combines skill-building, fun, and friendship in a structured and supportive environment.

Whether through team games, creative projects, or exploring nature, Camp Amicus ensures every camper feels included, celebrated, and successful.



Click here to find out more!



HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED OUR UPGRADED VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP?!

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



THE UPGRADED VERSION OF THE JOOAY APP

HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE JOOAY APP?

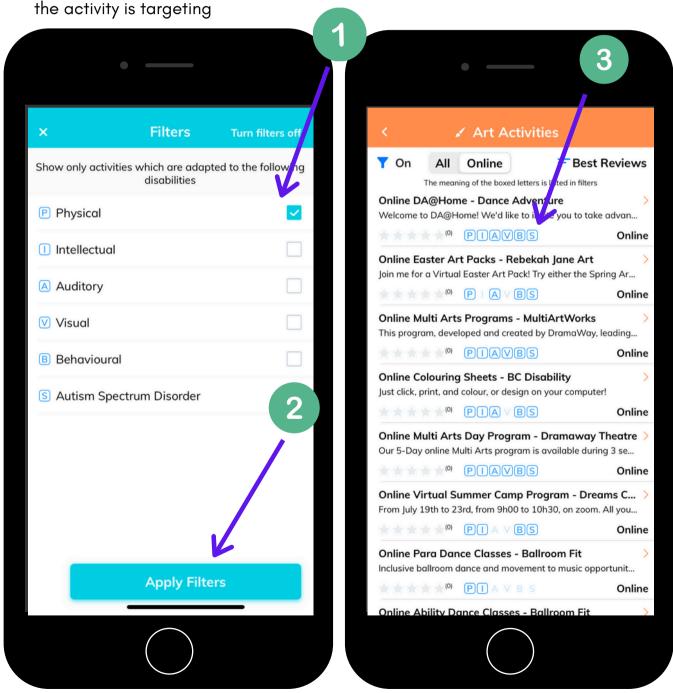
SEARCHING FOR THE TYPE OF SPECIAL NEED

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

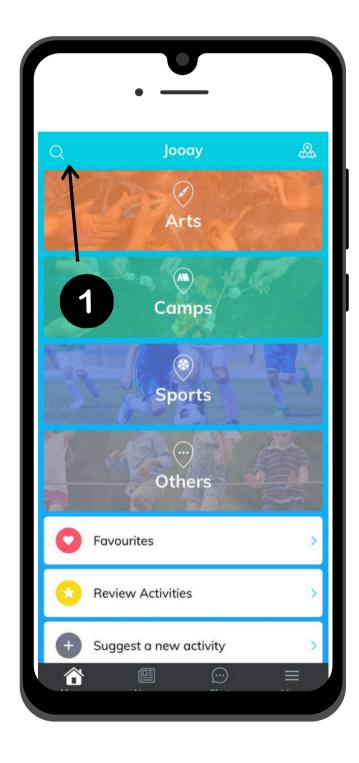


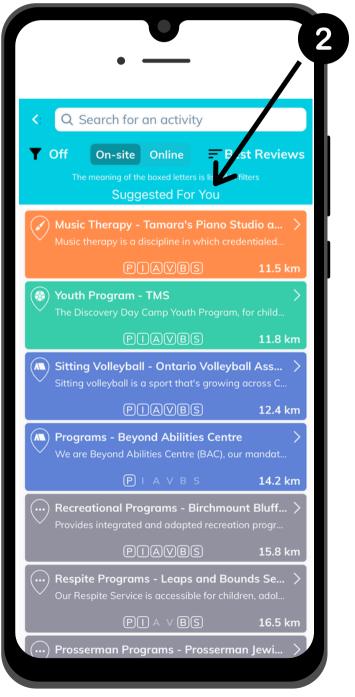
SUGGESTED FOR YOU

When viewing the new suggested activities

- 1. Click on the "Search" icon
- 2. Suggested activities will pop up under the search bar







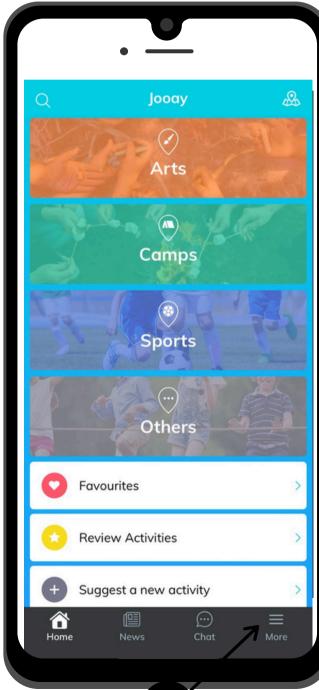
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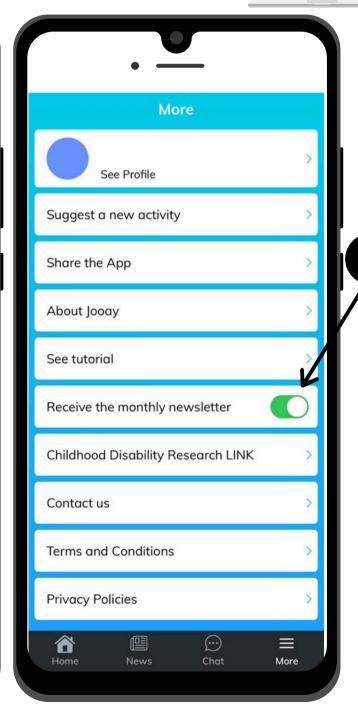
RECEIVE THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

You can now receive the monthly newsletter which just a click of a button

- 1. Click on the "More" icon on the bottom left of your screen
- 2. Click on the "Receive the monthly newsletter" button
 When it turns green, the newsletter will be sent to your email every month









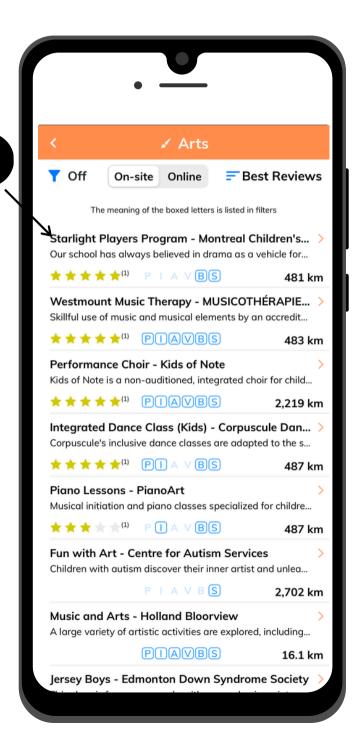


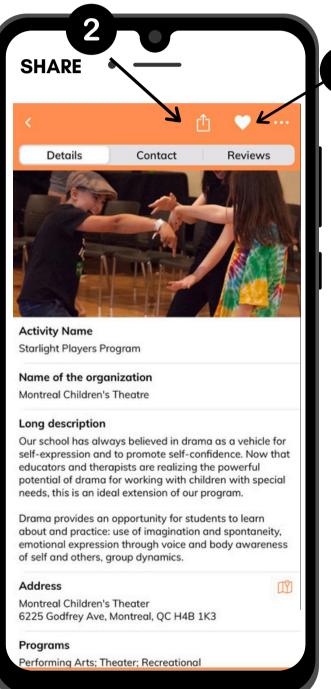
SHARE AND ADD TO YOUR FAVOURITES

You can now share the activities to others and like your favourite activity

- 1. Click on the activity of your choice
- 2.To **share**, click on the top right of the screen on the "Share" icon
- 3. To favourite, click on the heart so you can easily access it in your favourites folder

FAVOURITE

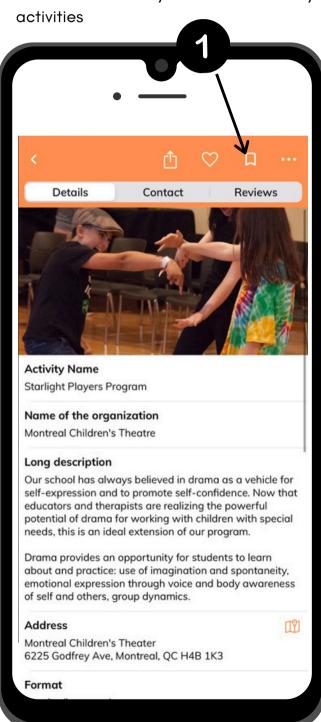




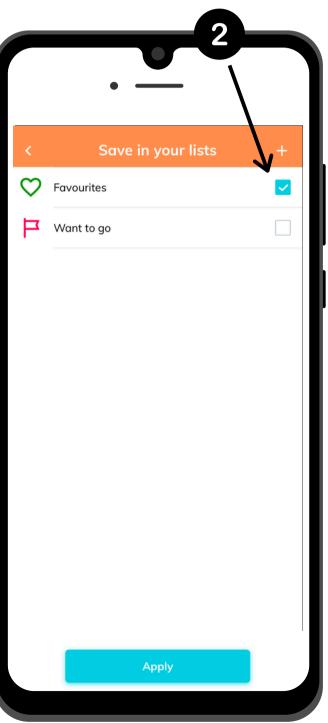
SAVED FOLDER

To add the activities in the bookmarked folder

- 1. Click on the activity of your choice
- 2. Tap on the "Bookmark" icon
- 3. Choose the folder you want the activity to be saved in to create a list of your favourite





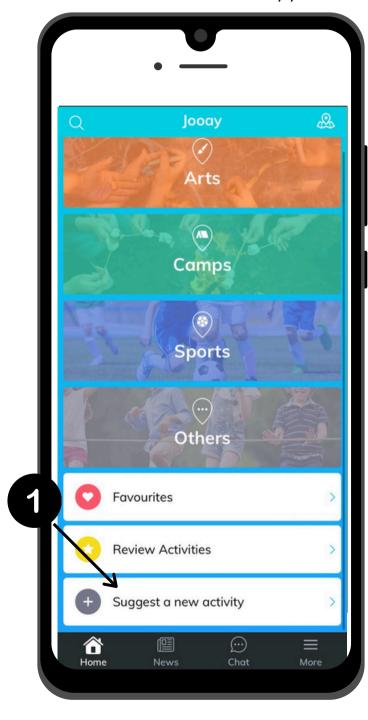


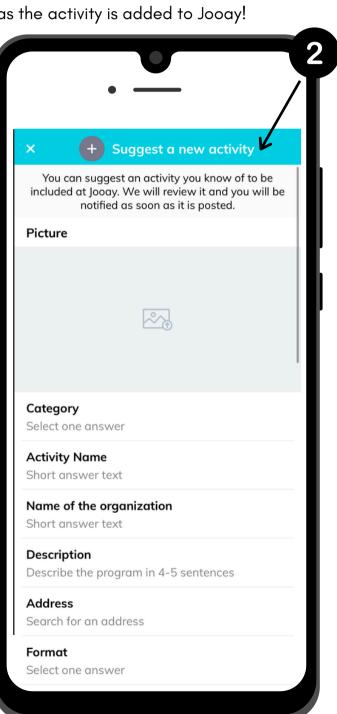
KNOW OF A GREAT INCLUSIVE ACTIVITY? LET US KNOW!

SUGGEST A NEW ACTIVITY

Add your organizations on the Jooay App!

- 1. Click "Suggest a New Activity" on the bottom of the screen
- 2. Fill in the form with the information of the activity
 - --> We will review it and notify you as soon as the activity is added to Jooay!







JOOAY COMMUNITY

May 25th to May 31st is **National Accessibility Week!**

Jooay is celebrating National Accessibility Week to celebrate the valuable contributions and leadership of persons with disabilities in Canada.



If you have any suggestions for our newsletter please let us know!

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