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Artistic Opening Plenary

What is a Whole Society Approach to Promoting the Mental Health of Children and Youth?

Join youth leaders in a creative exploration of what it means to take a whole society approach to promoting child and youth mental health. This will be an opportunity to think outside the box and collaborate with others in developing a vision for the future!

Hillary Abbott

Hillary is a music therapist working with the Catholic Family Services Bureau in both Charlottetown and Montague, PEI. She works with diverse populations on the island, recognizing the value of mental health promotion through all stages of life. Her work with children and youth illustrates the importance of empowering young people to reach their full potential and the ability to do this creatively. Hillary is a past participant with the ASI's Youth Leadership Program and is so excited to return as Coordinator, bringing together another fantastic group of young people.



Derrick Biso

Born and raised in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Derrick Biso is now located with their wife Janet and plant children in a cozy apartment on the Windsor-side of the Detroit River. Derrick graduated from the University of Prince Edward Island with a Bachelor of the Arts in Philosophy and Diversity and Social Justice Studies. They also attended Holland College, partially completing the Graphic Design program, and are now continuing their studies in Visual Arts at the University of Windsor. Derrick works professionally as a graphic designer and assistant event planner with Nouveau Event Planning and independently freelances. They also coordinate a Gender + Sexuality Alliance at the Windsor Youth Centre and teach yoga with the City of Windsor. Derrick volunteers with the Windsor Tandem Bike Club and Windsor-Essex Transgender and Allied Support community centre.

