

# HUMBER LAKESHORE NEWS

## PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

### *Happy Holidays everyone!*

Hi, I'm Todd Carmichael, and I took on the role of Principal of Humber's Lakeshore campus earlier this Fall. I'm excited to have this opportunity and to be working with colleagues at Humber to continue to deliver excellent experiences for our students and contribute to the vibrant South Etobicoke community.

This role is also a wonderful full circle moment for me as a proud Humber alumnus, having earned a Post-Graduate Certificate in the International Project Management Program at Humber in 2005. While a lot has changed since I was a student, the institution continues to offer exceptional programs that Ontario needs to drive growth and productivity.

In addition to sharing the latest Lakeshore Campus information, this newsletter is intended to introduce you to Joe Sellors, the new Director of the Humber Cultural Hub. For anyone who passes by the site regularly, you're seeing immense changes taking shape as construction of phase two of the Hub continues. Joe's introduction will foreshadow what is being built, both literally and figuratively, and how much we're looking forward to sharing with the community.

Another recent milestone is that Humber has officially opened the FIFA World Cup 26™ Volunteer Centre – Toronto. Through our official role with the City of Toronto as a Host City Supporter, our transformed G Cottage building will be the site that all tournament volunteers in Toronto pass through as they get ready to deliver Toronto's portion of the biggest sporting event in the world.

As mentioned, I'm excited to be in this role, and I'm looking forward to getting to know the community of South Etobicoke better.

Stay tuned for more to come in 2026!



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Joe's new podcast,  
*The Director's Cut*,  
is now live.



## HUMBER CULTURAL HUB

***Hello and greetings from the new Humber Cultural Hub at 3199 Lake Shore Blvd. W.!***

I'm Joe Sellors, the new Director of the Humber Cultural Hub, and I'm honoured to step into this role at such a pivotal moment.

The Hub is more than a space—it's a platform for creativity, collaboration, and cultural exchange. It brings together artists, educators, students, and community members to spark ideas, share stories, and build something extraordinary.

As a resident of South Etobicoke, living in Mimico, I feel deeply connected to this community. And with 18 years of experience in the arts and culture sector at the City of Toronto, I've seen how cultural spaces can transform neighbourhoods, empower voices, and inspire change. I've also witnessed the challenges—noting many cultural spaces across the city are shrinking or disappearing, leaving fewer places for creative expression and community connection.

That's why the Humber Cultural Hub matters more than ever. At its heart, it's about nurturing future minds. It's where students connect

with real-world creative industries, where learning is hands-on, and where innovation is rooted in community. The Hub will serve as a bridge between education and industry—giving students access to mentorship, networks, and opportunities that prepare them to lead in the cultural sector.

What's next? We're building a destination—a vibrant centre for artistic excellence, inclusive programming, and bold ideas. A place people seek out to be inspired, to connect, and to belong. Over the coming months, I'll be engaging with you—our neighbours, partners, and collaborators—to shape this vision together.

The Humber Cultural Hub is a beacon for culture, learning, and transformation. Let's connect, create, and shape an unforgettable future—together.

Bye for now,

**Joe Sellors**

Director, Humber Cultural Hub



# HUMBER POLYTECHNIC IS READY TO WELCOME THE WORLD WITH THE OPENING OF THE FIFA WORLD CUP 26™ VOLUNTEER CENTRE – TORONTO



*“These volunteers will be the heart and soul of the tournament – the first smiles visitors see, the helping hands that guide fans through our city and the proud ambassadors who will showcase Toronto’s incredible energy and diversity,” said Humber President and CEO Ann Marie Vaughan. “For our students, this partnership will offer a once-in-a-lifetime hands-on learning opportunity – the kind of unique experiential learning opportunities that define a polytechnic education at Humber. They will gain real-world experience in event operations, communications, sports management, media production and hospitality – applying what they’ve learned in the classroom to one of the largest global sporting events.”*

It was an exciting preview of what’s to come at Humber Polytechnic’s Lakeshore Campus as dignitaries, media and sports fans celebrated the opening of the FIFA World Cup 26™ Volunteer Centre – Toronto on November 13th.

Earlier this year, Humber and the City of Toronto entered into a partnership that makes Humber an Official Toronto World Cup 2026 Host City Supporter. As a Host City Supporter, Humber is supporting the delivery of recruitment, training and operations for the City of Toronto’s volunteer program for the FIFA World Cup 26™.

Lakeshore Campus’ G Cottage has been transformed into the FIFA World Cup 26™ Volunteer Centre – Toronto and will serve as a hub for volunteer activities.

About 3,000 volunteers will be recruited by FIFA26 Canada and the City of Toronto to support Toronto’s role as a Host City. These







*"It's really going to drive more players to the game and, for those already playing, they're seeing that the goal of playing at the highest level is attainable," he said. "Watching the progression of the team from when I was younger to where Canada is now, it's impressive."*

volunteers will support fan experiences, accessibility services, media operations, event logistics, and more. This includes FIFA Fan Festival™ support and serving as Host City Ambassadors outside stadiums, airports, transit hubs and visitor sites.

Also speaking at the opening was Humber graduate Amber Morley, Toronto City Councillor for Etobicoke-Lakeshore and deputy mayor for Etobicoke; Adam van Koeverden, Secretary of State (Sport) and MP; Neil Lumsden, Ontario Minister of Sport and MPP; and Peter Montopoli, FIFA26, Chief Tournament Officer (Canada).

Also in attendance were members of Humber's men's soccer team, who were fresh off winning their 11th national title and ninth since 2012.

Carmine Fiore, who was named CCAA soccer tournament [KM1] MVP, said it was exciting to see the men's national team back in the FIFA World Cup™ tournament again. It's the third time the team has qualified – making appearances in 1986 and 2022.

Asked if having the national team playing on Canadian soil could inspire the next generation to pick up soccer in this country, Fiore said he thought it would.





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