



SKATES & BADGES MEET IN CENTRAL PARK!

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Winnipeg, MB – On Wednesday, February 18, 2015, at Central Park (Cumberland & Edmonton) the Winnipeg Police Service, Central Neighbourhoods Development Corporation and West End BIZ will facilitate a learn-to-skate event for inner-city youth and families. **The 6th annual “Skates and Badges”** will be held **from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm**. Skates will be available for use and members of the **WPS Community Relations Unit, WPS Cadets, Patrolmen Hockey Team and West End and Exchange BIZ Patrols** will be on hand to help and encourage learners. Hot refreshments and hot dogs will be served. Everyone is welcome!

This is an opportunity to introduce a favourite Canadian outdoor winter activity, while building relations with community youth and residents.

Event partner Allan Wise of CNDC says, “This event provides us and our partners with a unique opportunity to connect with the community in a fun informal manner!”

Central Park, a historic part of the **West End**, saw a multi-million dollar renovation in recent years with winter sports facilities incorporated into the park’s redesign. The park has been embraced by the community and is now a well used and appreciated recreation facility year round.

Skates & Badges would not be possible without the contributions of our partner organizations, businesses, individuals and volunteers that stepped forward to make it happen and we gratefully acknowledge their generosity.

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