

# The Perl and Raku Conference 2023

Welcome Everyone!

# Land Acknowledgement for Toronto

We acknowledge the land we are on is the traditional territory of many nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit, A Aninishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples, and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis Peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.



# Hmm. Need to write something to open TPRC 2023

"I know -- I'll use Google Slides!"

Narrator: And that's how he ended up with two problems.

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# Housekeeping / Reminders

Slack channel invite was sent by E-Mail (Contact [admin@perlconference.us](mailto:admin@perlconference.us) for any problems. Thanks Todd!)

Lunch: 90 minutes. Coffee/Tea is all day.

Mixer/Social on Tuesday, Banquet on Wednesday (630pm).

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# OK .. why are we here?

To hack on stuff

To learn stuff

To meet people

To strengthen the community

To see a little of the city, the province, and the country

To drink beer and delightful cocktails

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# Why am I organizing? 1/3

Let's go back to the distant past .. the late 90's, about 25 years ago.

Perl was ten years old. Objects were brand new.

I attended Perl Monger meetings.

I went to my first YAPC::NA (2000, at Carnegie Mellon).

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# Why am I organizing? 2/3

More recently, I took over TPM from Olaf.

Then one night a few years ago, at the pub ..

So I thought about getting involved with the TPRF ..

And .. here we are.

PS And 25 years later ..



# Why am I organizing? 3/3

I'm a big believer in education.

This conference is about learning things, sharing things, and meeting people.

And putting the conference on in Toronto seemed like a good idea at the time.

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Spoiler Alert: Still a good idea.

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# I'd like to thank ..

There have been a ton of people who have helped me getting this conference organized.

Todd: For being the I Have The Answers guy (Wave to Todd, back in Houston!)

Ingy: For finding this venue

Bruce and Sarah: For institutional knowledge, thoughtful questions, and for taking minutes

Amber: For a ton of administrative stuff

Peter: For his chequebook

And the Volunteers! So many people!

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# Finally

I'm thrilled to open the 2023 Perl and Raku Conference in Toronto, Canada.

Thanks for coming! Learn lots of stuff! Drink lovely beverages! Enjoy!



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