

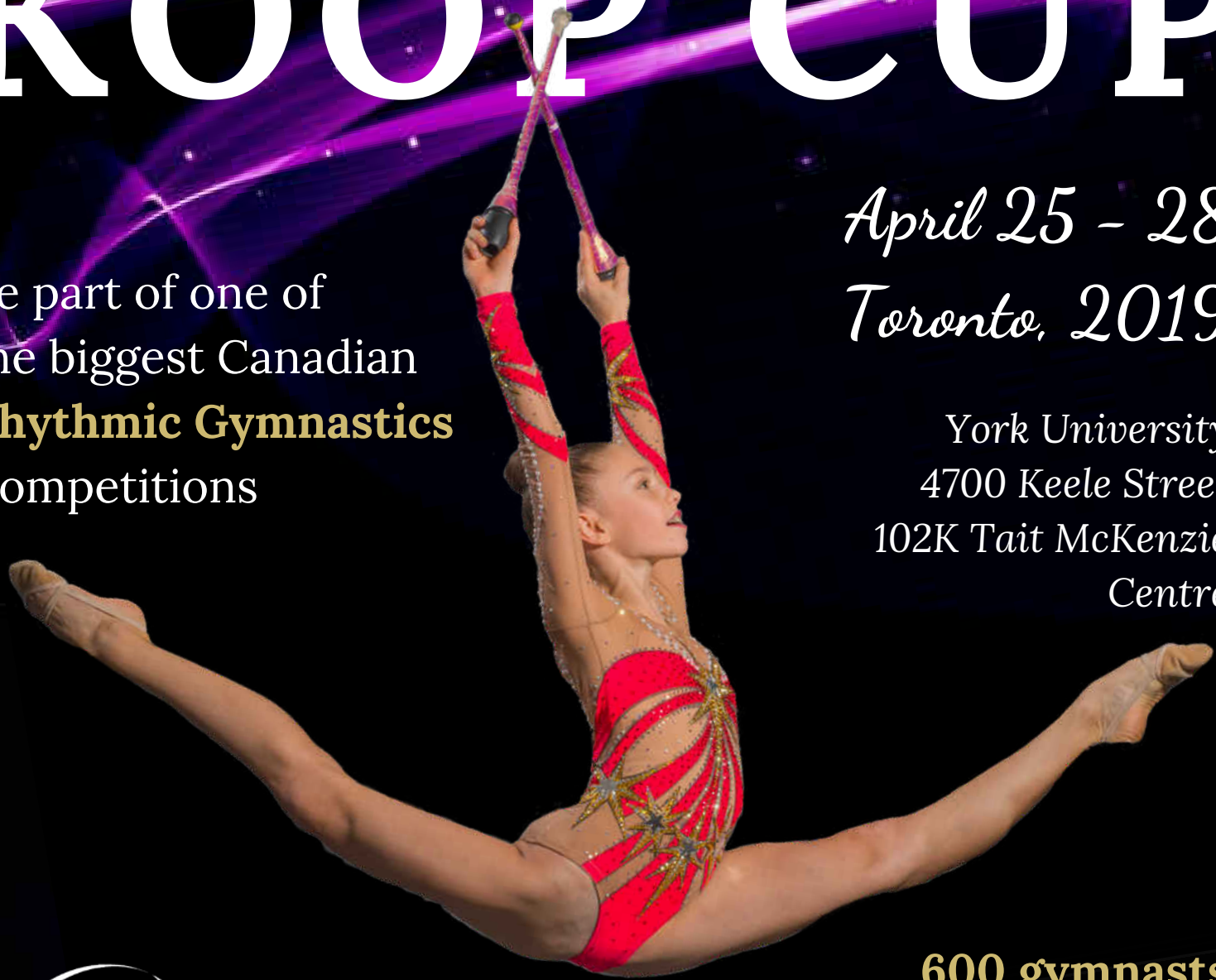
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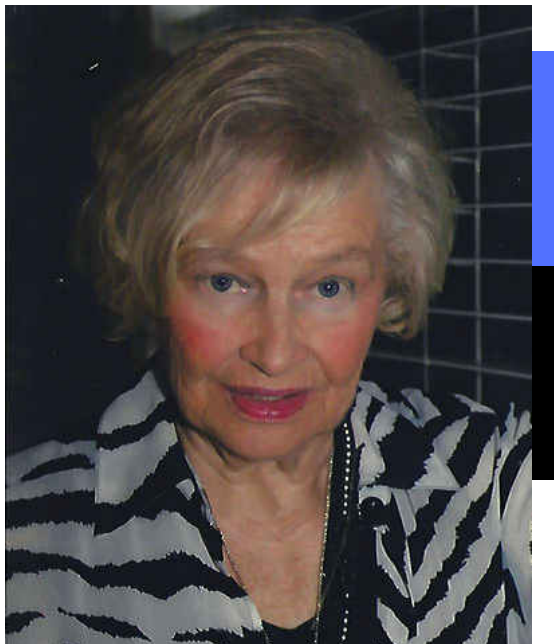
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Dear Friends,

It's a pleasure and honor for me, they will do so next year, to welcome you all to the 2019 Koop Cup. The gymnasts to their parents are naturally excited and hopeful. Not everyone will continue to the Championships this year, but for those who are hooked on this sport, there is no stopping them: they will continue to work hard and if they do not make it this year.

Since bringing Rhythmic Gymnastics to Canada in the 1950s, I have had many years to observe and think about what a successful gymnast. There is innate flexibility, musicality and the influence of good coaches, but all that can only take you so far. In the end, what matters most is the athlete's attitude towards the sport, her willingness to work hard and a fierce determination to make it to the top, no matter what she must do or how long it takes.

But there are many other ways to enjoy your sport, such as making friends for life; getting fit and developing a toned and the healthy body; loving the feeling of moving with music; feeling pride in acquiring new skills and mastering the apparatus. These are just as important, or maybe even more important, than the scores you receive in competitions, because they truly enrich your life and help you learn and appreciate respect.

I have focused here on the gymnasts and that is it should be, in my opinion. Coaches and Judges are all very important, but we must never forget the gymnasts are the reason for our work and they should always be front and center when we discuss and plan for gymnastics development.

I wish all participants good luck and a happy at the competition!





Dear Friends!

As Meet Director, it is an honor to welcome everyone to Koop Cup 2019 International Invitational Rhythmic Gymnastics and Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Competition. I have been given the great pleasure of inviting you to an extraordinary competition, with more than 600 gymnasts, 90 judges, and coaches from all over the world.

KOOP CUP IS NOT ABOUT KALEV ONLY. It's a lot bigger than that! It is about bringing people together, not only the best athletes of this beautiful sport but also our friends, families, colleagues. Koop Cup has a very special place in my heart, by uniting all the people passionate about rhythmic gymnastics under one event.

This event could not have happen without the involvement of our community and our supporters. My biggest THANK YOU goes to every parent, coach, and gymnast involved with the Koop Cup competition!

I wish you all best of luck!  
I Will see you on the carpet!

*Hana Kiková*

**TORONTO, CANADA**



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April 26–28, 2019

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone taking part in the 2019 Koop Cup, hosted by the Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics Centres.

This international tournament offers gymnasts a wonderful opportunity to showcase their skills and artistry. I would like to congratulate everyone participating in these championships and wish them the best of luck.

I would also like to thank the organizers for supporting athletes and for advancing the sport of rhythmic gymnastics.

Please accept my best wishes for a memorable experience.

Sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Justin P. J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P.  
Prime Minister of Canada



TORONTO, CANADA



## Message from the Mayor

It gives me great pleasure to extend greetings and a warm welcome to everyone participating in the Koop Cup hosted by Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics Centres.

Best wishes to the top rhythmic gymnastics athletes from 16 countries who have worked hard to earn a spot at this gymnastics competition.

Sport is an institution that has the power to impact and benefit communities across all divides, bringing together people from all walks of life, forging partnerships and lifelong friendships, as well as educating, motivating and building foundations.

On behalf of Toronto City Council, I thank everyone involved in making this event possible and extend my best wishes for a fun and successful competition

Yours truly,



John Tory  
Mayor of Toronto

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**KOOP CUP 2019**

*On behalf of Gymnastics Canada, I am pleased to welcome the athletes, coaches, officials, judges and spectators to Koop Cup 2019 for Rhythmic Gymnastics & Aesthetic Group.*

*The result of many years of training and dedication will be on display, as more than 450 gymnasts from ten countries compete for the titles. I wish all the participants my best and commend you for your commitment to excellence.*

*Thank you to the coaches, judges and officials for your hard work, and to the families and friends of these young competitors for your support. I also want to thank the volunteers and sponsors who make events like this possible. Special recognition to Evelyn Koop on her 69<sup>th</sup> anniversary promoting Rhythmic Gymnastics in Canada.*

*Enjoy the show!*

*Teresa Orr*

**TERESA ORR**

National Team Director, Rhythmic Gymnastics  
Directrice de l'équipe nationale, gymnastique rythmique





March 2019

Welcome to the Rhythmic Gymnastics Federation of Canada 2019 Koop Cup welcoming top athletes from around the World !

Kalev Estienne should be proud of its 28 year history in offering the Koop Cup International which originated in 1991 in honor of Ms. Evelyn Koop. This year's meet features 12 countries and over 400 gymnasts.

Rhythmic gymnastics is a beautiful and elegant sport demanding strength, flexibility, agility, coordination and a combination of technical precision and artistic creativity and we should celebrate the talents and dedication of the young gymnasts who have trained for so many years.

We would also be remiss if we did not acknowledge, Kalev Estienne's 68 year history in promoting and offering rhythmic gymnastics in Ontario and Canada.

Kalev Estienne gymnasts have been great ambassadors of rhythmic gymnastics.

Gymnastics Ontario is proud to include Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics Centre as a member club and on behalf of the staff and Board of Directors; we wish you much success in years to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Clifford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Clifford  
President

**TORONTO, CANADA**



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF CANADIAN AESTHETIC GROUP GYMNASTICS FEDERATION

On behalf of the Canadian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (CAGG), I'm pleased to extend a dour warmest greeting to everyone taking part in the 2019 Koop Cup International group gymnastics competition.

Aesthetic Group Gymnastics is a discipline of gymnastics that is based on stylized, natural total body movement. The sport involves harmonious, rhythmic, and dynamic movements performed with an economic and natural use of strength. There is a harmonious natural flow from one movement to the next, as if each new movement is created from the previous one.

All of the movements must be performed fluidly, showing amplitude and variety in the dynamics and speed. The composition must contain versatile and varied body movements, such as body waves and swings, balances and pivots, jumps and leaps. Physical qualities such as flexibility, speed, strength, coordination, and ability to move effortlessly are required.

Very special thanks to you to Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics Club, Organizing Committee, Parents, Coaches, Judges, Officials, and Fans as well to everyone in attendance, for supporting all participants and to make this competition possible. Do enjoy your participation in this wonderful experience and bring back the beautiful memories from Toronto!

ANNELLY RIGA  
CAGG President  
IFAGG Vice President



**KOOP CUP 2019**





**LILIANA DIMITROVA**

“This is to thank you for the motivation. You are the one who bring the best coaches to Canda. Your prosperity is a reminder that successful event pays. Congrats and bless your heart!”

**JANIKA MOLDER**

“I wish Kalev Estienne, the staff, Local Organizing Committee and everyone else connected with the 2019 Koop Cup my best wishes for a successful event.”



**NATALIYA KATSYUKEVYCH**

“Mrs. Koop’s dedication to her athletes and to the sport of Rhythmic Gymnastics have no doubt impacted thousands of lives worldwide. Personally, I have and always will be impressed by her energy, generosity, and passion. She inspired me to always work hard and live the best possible version of my life, and for that, I must thank you dearly, Mrs. Koop.”



**TAMARA BOMPA & LUCY DIMITROVA**

“Congratulations Ms. Evelyn!!!”

**EMILIE LIVINGSTONE**

“I would like to send warm congratulations to Evelyn Koop for all the active and dedicated years you have spent to better sport of rhythmic gymnastics in Canada. My sincerest gratitude for all that you have accomplished!”

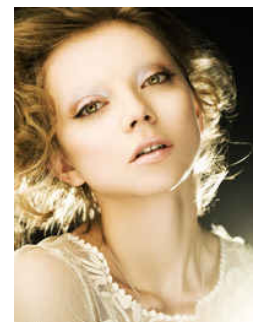


**CAMILLE MARTENS**

“Mrs. Koop, we salute and honour you personally and thank you for all that you have birthed into Canadian RG through Kalev!”

**IRA FUNTIKOVA**

“I would not have maade it, if it was not you, Mrs. Koop. Thank you!”



**MARTA BOBO**

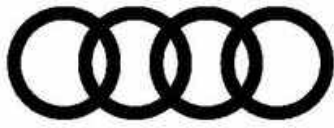
“Thank You, Evelyn! Thank You, Koop Family! Kalev means to me the best opportunity of beautiful Rhythmic Gymnastics. I am very proud of being part of this Club. In Kalev, I have met the best coaches from the world, best choreographers, best friends and I coached best gymnasts. ”

# CELEBRATING 68 YEARS OF RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS IN CANADA WITH KALEV ESTIENNE CENTRES

For many years, Kalev Estienne, one of the oldest and most respected schools for Rhythmic Gymnastics in Canada, has developed the divisions like York Rhythmics - Kalev, Artistic North Stars, Rhythmic Elite Centres and Milton Rhythmic Gymnastics, to help girls have the chance to grow and to achieve.



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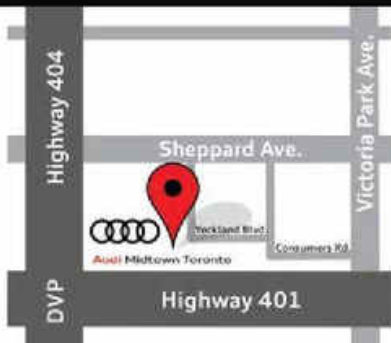
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# Schedule

## THURSDAY, APRIL 25

### DAY 1

14:00 Competition: ODP RGI 1, ODP RGI 2 & ODP RGG

15:40 AWARDS for ODP RGI 1, ODP RGI 2 & ODP RGG

16:05 Competition: IC 2

18:40 Competition: IC 3

20:10 Competition: IC 2 Groups

20:25 AWARDS for IC 2, IC 3, IC 2 Groups

21:00 END OF DAY 1

21:00 Welcome Dinner for Head of Delegations

## FRIDAY, APRIL 26

### DAY 2

08:30 Competition: PR 2A & 2B

Competition: PR 2C

Competition: PR 3 Groups

12:10 AWARDS for PR 2A, 2B, 2C & PR 3 Groups

**12:35 OPENING CEREMONY**

13:10 Competition: National Novice (free & rope)

14:15 Competition: National Junior (rope & ball)

16:30 Competition: FIG Junior (rope & ball)

18:00 Competition: Junior groups (5 hoops & 5 ribbons)

18:30 Competition: National Senior (hoop & ball)

20:10 Competition: FIG Senior (hoop & ball)

21:10 END OF DAY 2



Rhythmic Expressions 2017

## SATURDAY, APRIL 27

### DAY 3

08:30 Competition: IC 4  
10:20 Competition: IC 5, IC 5 Star, IC 6  
12:00 Competition: IC 3 & IC 5 Groups  
12:10 AWARDS for IC 4, IC 5, IC 5 Star, IC 6 & IC 3 & IC 5 Groups  
12:55 Competition: National Novice (ball & clubs)  
14:00 Competition: National Junior (clubs & ribbon)  
16:25 Competition: FIG Junior (clubs & ribbon)  
17:50 Competition: National Senior (clubs & ribbon)  
19:25 Competition: FIG Senior (clubs & ribbon)  
20:25 AWARDS for National Novice, Junior, Senior & FIG Junior, FIG Senior  
21:00 END OF DAY 3  
**21:00 Final Banquet**

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28

### DAY 4

09:00 Competition: AGG IC 3, Children, Pre Novice, Novice, Junior, Senior  
10:00 Competition: PR 3A, 3B  
12:15 Competition: PR 3C  
12:50 AWARDS for AGG & PR 3A, 3B, 3C  
13:20 Competition: PR 4A, 4B  
15:50 Competition: PR 4C  
17:10 Competition: PR 4 Groups  
17:15 AWARDS for PR 4A, 4B, 4C & PR 4 Groups  
17:50 Competition: PR 5A, 5B  
19:50 Competition: PR 5C, 6A, 6B, 6C  
20:25 AWARDS for PR 5A, 5B, 5C & PR 6A, 6B, 6C  
**20:50 Gala**  
21:00 END OF DAY 4

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*Teamwork helps to achieve more.*



# THANK YOU!

On behalf of Evelyn Koop, Hana Kikova and the entire "Koop Cup" Team, we appreciate all of those who have volunteered time and effort to help make this 2019 event a success!

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Special thanks to our flag carriers from the 2019 Spring Class (Aneeka, Ella D., Ella T., Stephanie, Zoe, Jocelyn, Evie, Artina, Alexia, Sophie, Tiana, Bianca, Kamila) and our 2019 Koop Cup Opening Ceremony choreographer Carla Tomasini Paganin.



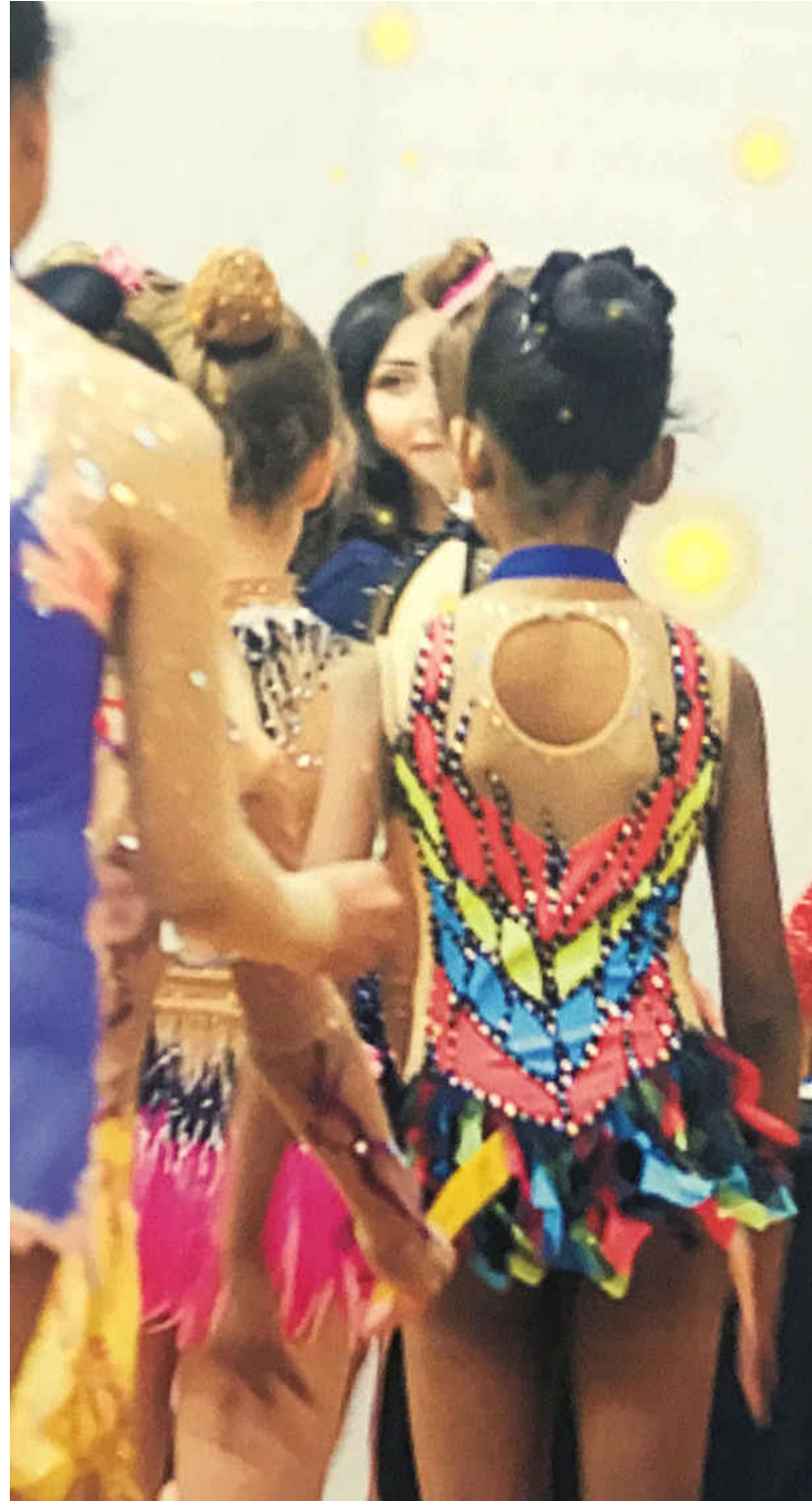
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# RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS IN CANADA SIMPLY WOULDN'T EXIST IF IT WEREN'T FOR THE EFFORTS OF EVELYN KOOP

WHO IS EVELYN KOOP? Affectionately known as "The Godmother" of the sport in Canada, Evelyn is recognized as being the one who actually brought the sport to North America and fostered its growth nationwide. The Kalev Sport Club first introduced Rhythmic Gymnastics (RG) to Canada over 60 years ago. You just need to look at the Kalev Estienne website and you will find 68 years of highlights from bringing the sport of RG to Canada, developing World & Olympic gymnasts to hosting Provincial, National and International Events.

Evelyn Koop, the founder & President of Kalev Estienne, has been involved as a gymnast, coach, performer, choreographer, educator, author, administrator, judge, event manager and most importantly ...remains as one of the major promoters of Rhythmic Gymnastics in Canada and volunteer extraordinaire! Evelyn has been working hard ever since to build its legacy as one of Canada's most prominent Rhythmic Gymnastics Centres. Having taught Rhythmic Gymnastics at the University of Toronto, McMaster University, McGill University, she is considered a foremost authority on the sport. She authored books "Basic Rhythmics" and "Judging", developed Technical Manuals, By-laws, and Constitutions.

Under the leadership of Evelyn Koop tens of thousands of gymnasts have come to share her love of the sport. She has trained many teachers and coaches and created awareness of RG through endless touring with her gymnasts throughout Canada and the United States. I was fortunate as a young artistic gymnast to have Evelyn come to our club to assist with upper body movement for beam & floor.





Evelyn was instrumental in introducing and building rhythmic gymnastics as a sport in Ontario, across Canada and even around the world. In the late fifties, Evelyn founded the Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics Centre, which would become a leading organization in Canada. She helped establish the Ontario Rhythmics Federation in 1968 and the Canadian Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics Federation in 1971, serving as the president of both until 1980 when she became Executive Director of the former. She founded the World's Best Championships in 1975, that would become an international competition to be held in Toronto each decade, and hosted the first Four Continents Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships in Toronto in 1978.

She received the Federation Internationale de Gymnastique Achievement Award for her work introducing the sport to China. In 2003 Evelyn was one of the founding members of the International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics. She helped host Canada's first Aesthetic Group Gymnastics World Championships in 2008 and the Elite Canada Meet in 2010, both in Toronto. She is a recognized international authority on rhythmic gymnastics and aesthetic group gymnastics, has taught courses at universities across North America, and authored a book, instruction manuals on judging, technical manuscripts and governance documents. Just before the award ceremony Evelyn was delighted to learn that her senior team - the AGG Rhythmic Expressions won bronze at the Four Continents Championships in Singapore and her junior team - Canadiana, took home Silver.

# RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS DEVELOPMENT



One of the most important people in a gymnast's life is her coach. We want to acknowledge and thank the amazing professionals who have dedicated their lives to helping our gymnasts achieve their dreams.



## HANA

Kamila, Bianca, Victoria,  
Evie, Stephania, Ella, Alexia,  
Zoe, Ella, Anikka, Jocelyn



## CARLA



## SASHA

RHYTHMIC ELITE  
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# SVETLANA

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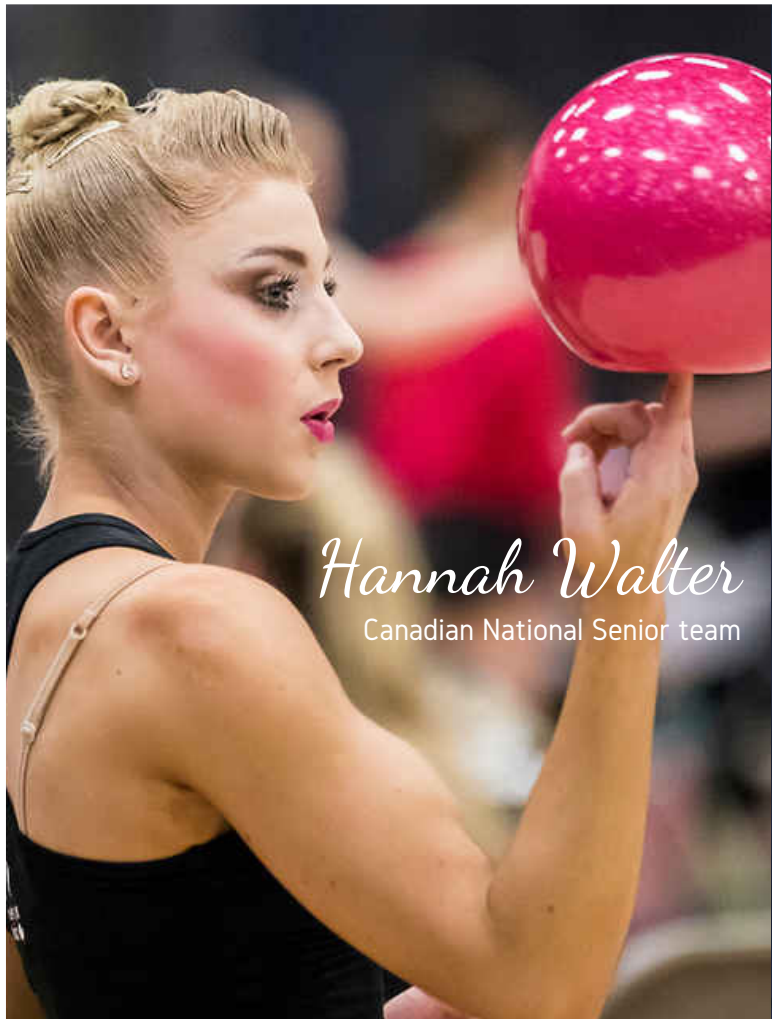


# ALEX

Monica, Sonya and Kalev National Team Ballet classes



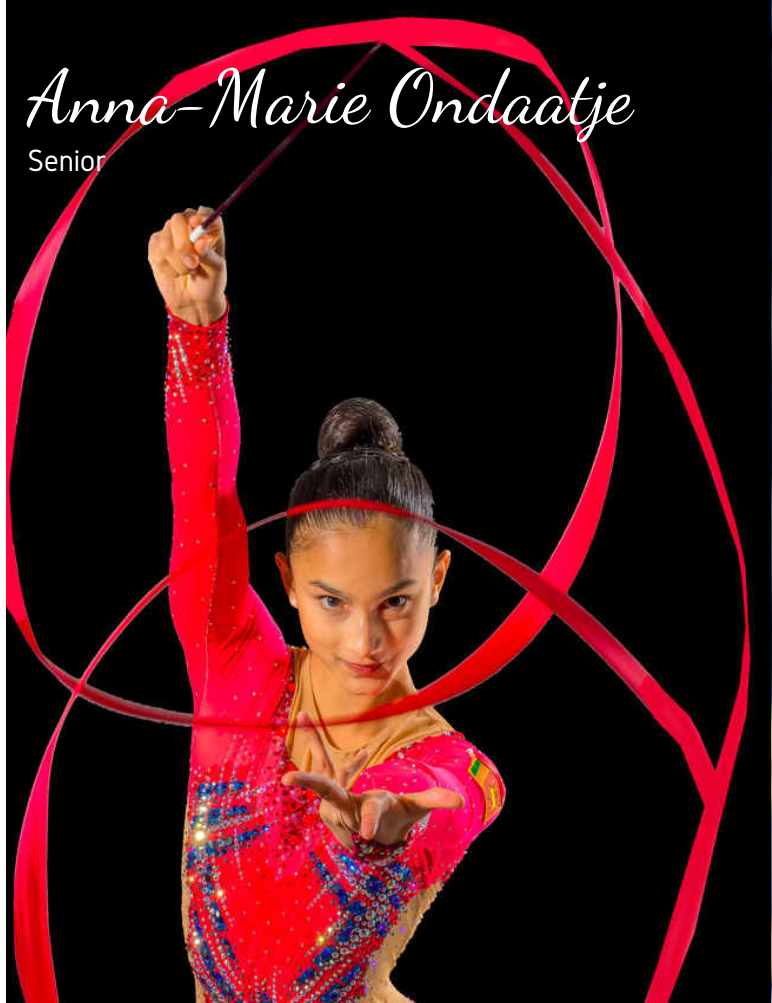
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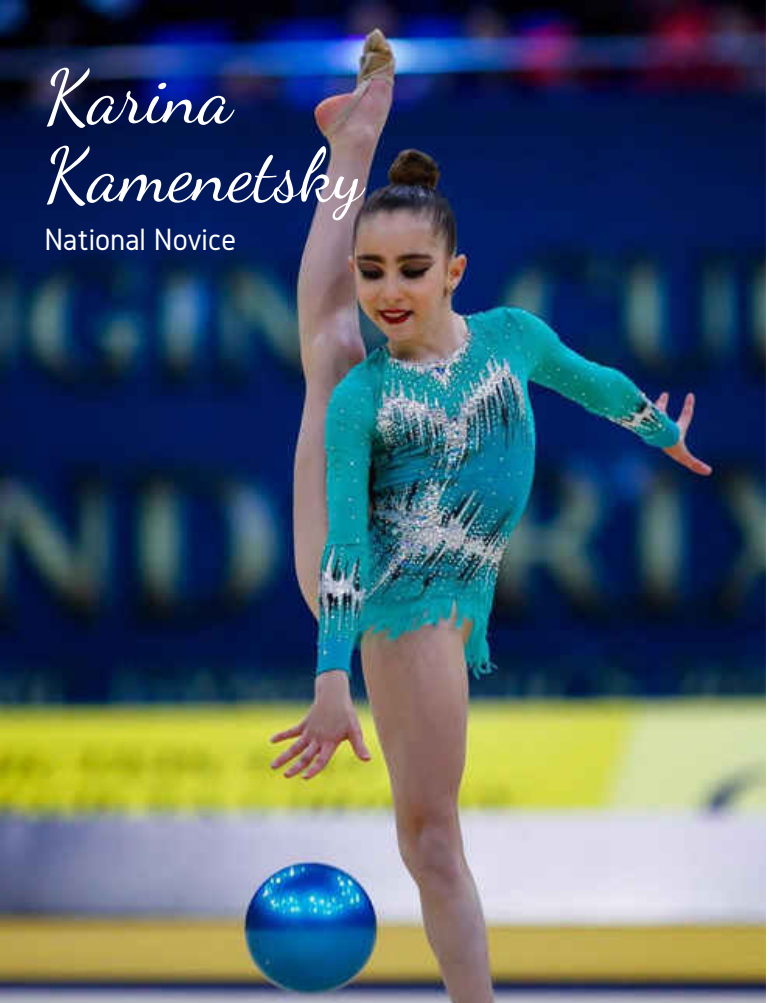
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# Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Development:

In 1995, Evelyn Koop, the founder of the Rhythmic Expressions, realized an old dream: to create a company that could lift her beloved rhythmic gymnastics to levels where it would be recognized as one of the performing arts. It would also mean returning to the roots of what has become an Olympic sport of the highest caliber: the rhythmic group performance. For this new team, she selected 12 girls, most of whom were former RG competitors, some who came from a background of dance performance.

## WHY WAS RHYTHMIC EXPRESSIONS CREATED?

Rhythmic gymnastics was created for women, to suit their physiology and strengthen the long muscles of the body, emphasizing flexibility, coordination, balance and harmony of movements and music. It teaches specific locomotor and apparatus skills and is the most beautiful of sports, containing elements of dance related to ballet. It seems natural to incorporate drama, to create routines that express feelings and tell a story.

## EVELYN KOOP AND RHYTHMIC EXPRESSIONS (AGG)

Evelyn Koop has promoted this form of gymnastics, now called Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (AGG) since she began to develop the sport in Canada in the 1950's. Kalev's performance groups were soon famous and much sought after for many events. Kalev's Senior Elite ([link to the Elite programs HERE](#)) travelled and performed around the world. Ten years later, the "Rhythmic Expressions" had grown to a size where the club had two senior and two junior international competition teams, in addition to many AGG groups at levels from Child to Adult, from pre-competitive and Interclub, to Provincial and National. The club's "Rhythmic Expressions" team had represented Canada at every AGG World Championship, the only Canadians to do so. The group had also been selected as the only Canadian representative at the FIG Galas of the World Gymnaestradas during this period of time, in 1999 and 2003. AGG World Championships in Graz, Austria when IFAGG and CAGG were formed!

This division of Kalev Estienne was now re-named the "York Rhythmics - Kalev", with the purpose of continuing to develop the sport in Canada, training gymnasts to the point that they are capable of achieving good results in high-level international competitions. To recognize the success of the club in International AGG, Canada was awarded the AGG World Championships 2008!

**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PAST AND PRESENT AGG COACHES:  
ALLA KOSHELEVA, VALERIA ZAIETS, ANTONINA SAVCHUK, EVELYN KOOP**



# RHYTHMIC EXPRESSIONS

## 2019

York Rhythmics - Kalev, an Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Club from Richmond Hill, has qualified from Santos, Brasil (IFAAG World Cup 4 Championships, November 22-25, 2018) and Singapore (IFAGG World Cup 2 Championships, April 1-4, 2019) to go to the 20th IFAGG World Championships taking place on May 16-19, 2019 in Cartagena, Spain.

Victoria Reznik, Anjelika Reznik, Antonina Savchuk, Stavroula Georgiadis, Valeriia Shatska, Ki-Uhn Joy, Emma Lozhkin, Gloria Hauer

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEAM AND COACHES: VALERIA ZAIETS, ANTONINA SAVCHUK AND EVELYN KOOP**



# CANADIANA 2019

JUNIOR TEAM has made us proud by winning SILVER MEDALS at the Panamerican Championships 2018 and placing 5th at the World Cup 2018 in Brazil, and 2nd place at the Four Continents Championships 2019 in Singapore!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to Magdalini Haranas, Hana Zaghoul, Annabel Wang, Kyna Wilson, Whitney Cao, Atanasov Paula, Tiffany Zhao and dedicated coaches ANTONINA SAVCHUK and VALERIA ZAIETS



## *Good luck, Vana!*

Granddaughters of Ms. Koop who have all been involved in both rhythmic and aesthetic group gymnastics.



## *Together as one!*

Kati Tihane and Tamara Tambre from Milton Rhythmic Gymnastics, the newest division of Kalev Estienne RG Centres.

### **Kalev Estienne would like to say a big thank you to all of it's amazing past coaches.**

Tatiana Kastenkava, Diana Kwon, Janika Molder, Tatiana Romanova, Reet Altosaar, Victoria Ataol, Lissa Barnsley, Stephanie Barnsley, Julia Bendersky, Marta Bobo, Tamara Bompá, Elvira Boudakova, Ilona Busch, Don Calderwood, Tony Dabrovská, Janet Davis, Rosemary DeMeo, Ludmila Dimitrova, Liliana Dimitrova-Petkov, Monica Eder, Anu Ewen, Brian Foley, Denise Fujiwara, Theresa Fung, Jessica Helps, Siina Kaasekamp, Bella Ketslakh, Triinu Kimmel, Julia Kipshidze, Heli Kivilaht, Valve Kivilo, Tamar Krauss, Reet Krieger, Karmen Kruusmagi, Anne and Katrin Kuus, Rita Laur, Kelly Li, Emilie Livingston, Vanessa Livingston, Antonia (Toni) Markova, Clare McFarquhar, Kristina Meipoom, Nadia Mihalayova, Janika Mölder, Tuulika Mölder, Stefka Moutafchieva, Heli Oder, Zlatka Parleva, Katrin Pettinen, Annely Riga, Juana Rodriguez, Ingrid Saar, Danuta Smiechowski, Larissa Solovieva, Temanuga (Nushka) Stoycheva, Rachel Sugar, Daniela Tchakarova, Ivanka Tchakarova, Anjelika Ternovski, Kati Tihane, Elena Tkachenka, Polina Tzankova, Karen Viinamae, Susanna Wadsten, Yukiko Marumono, Helen Zivic et al.







April 4, 2019 Evelyn Koop of Kalev Estienne Rhythmic Gymnastics was honoured with a most prestigious award - Lifetime Achievement - at the City of Toronto's annual Honour Induction Ceremony. The Toronto Sport Hall of Honour celebrates the exceptional contributions and accomplishments of those who have inspired/or brought recognition to the City of Toronto through sport.

Congratulations to Evelyn and her amazing gymnasts!!



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