

July 10, 2025



Ottawa Tamil Association (OTA) - 2025

- 1. 9th Tamil Heritage Month Gala 2025
 - O Keynote Speech of OTA Tamil Heritage Month Gala 2025 by Dr.Thusiyan Nandakumar
 - OTA continue to elevate the quality of the annual dinner year over year
- 2. Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day and genocide recognition
 - o Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day (May 18, 2025) Commemoration in Ottawa
 - OTA participated Tamil Genocide Mounement opening in Brampton
 - https://tamilguardian.com/content/ottawa-commemorates-tamil-genocide-remembrance-day
 - https://tamilgenocide.com/news/press-releases/new-booklet-unveils-a-legal-model-for-recognizing-sri-lankas-tamil-genocide-urges-global-action-for-justice/
- 3. 10th annual Fall Donation Tamil Eelam Humanitarian Assistance Fund (TEHAF)
 - <u>TEHAF</u> A Tamil Diaspora fund made available for good standing humanitarian groups to get some financial support for their projects
 - OTA donated over \$1200.00 from <u>Fall Fundraising and continue to support this</u> project
- 4. 5th Thiyagi Thileepan Food Drive Donated to Ottawa food bank over 1000 lbs



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Expanding to Global collaboration

- Continue to play significant role in Federation of Global Tamil Organizations
 (https://fgto.org/) to advance justice for Eelam Tamils and TEHAF humanitarian work
- OTA continue to work in committees at FetNA (https://fetna.org/) to advance Tamil
 Genocide Recognition efforts and first Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day organized in Dec 2025. first Maveerar Naal event in 2024.
- Jointly organized 4th <u>Global Tamil Submit in Raleigh in 2025</u> and Global Tamil Hour to strengthen the common position of Tamils

2. Supporting Tamil Genocide Memorial and archive efforts

As a member of Tamil Genocide Memorial (https://tamilgenocide.com/), continue to support digital archive project

3. Community activities

- Annual Thanneer Panthal at Ottawa Sivan Ther Festival
- o 5th Thiyagi Thileepan Food drive

4. Tamil Conferences Documentations

Continue to work on <u>next conference documentations</u>







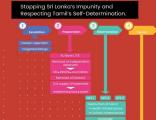




Reception: 4 - 5:30 PM | Dinner: 5:30 - 8 PM





























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TAMIL GENOCIDE REMEBRANCE DAY

Justice for Sri Lanka's Genocide Against Tamils. Stopping Sri Lanka's Impunity and Respecting Tamils' Self-Determination'. May 18, 2025 SUNDAY 9 PM EST

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GLOBAL TAMIL HOUR உலகத் தமிழர் நேரம்

A Legal Framework Toward Justice for the Tamil Genocide and the Permanent Solution to the Eelam Tamil National Question, Based on the Right to Self-Determination Through an Independence Referendum.





Saturday, July 5th, 3 PM - 4 PM சனிக்கியமை, கூலை 05 - மாலை 03:00 - 04:00

To Register: www.fetna-convention.org











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Ottawa Tamil Association (OTA) - since 2014

1. Policy and focus

- Tamil Genocide Reconition & Tamil Heritage including highlighting legitimate Eelam
 Tamil struggle for freedom
- Setting up better Canadian life

2. Collaborations

- Jointly released 2015 NPC based booklet with Brampton Tamil Association in 2016 and Justice For Tamil Genocide booklet in 2025.
 https://archive.org/details/srilankas-genocide-against-tamils-2024-booklet
- Jointly organized 2018 2nd International Conference on Tamil Nationhood and Genocide in Sri Lanka.
 https://tamilconferences.org/conferences/second-conference/
- Conference on Tamil self-determination in 2022 jointly organized https://tamilconferences.org/conferences/upcoming-conference/
- Several other joint efforts (Tamil Genocide Rememberance May 18, youth skill development workshops, food drive, advocacy, etc.) with multiple Canadian Tamil organizations



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3. Justice for Sri Lanka's Genocide against Tamils

- Continuous advocacy, engagements and collaborations to get recognition for Tamil Genocide as part of justice.
- Supporting research efforts on Tamil Genocide and justice via conferences and documentations
- Advocating for Tamil Genocide Education Week in Ontario and supporting Tamil
 Genocide Memorial and archiving projects
- Annual commemoration of Tamil Genocide Remembrance Day May 18

4. Tamil heritage and history

- Continuously supporting Tamil Heritage Month
- Partnered with Tamil Genocide Memorial (TGM) in archiving and documenting the Tamil Eelam history
- Tamil Genocide Mesuem support efforts and engagement with Tamil Center (Toronto) via TGM



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6. Fundraising and annual events

- Tamil Heritage Month Gala Last Sunday in January
- Thiyagi Thileepan Food drive to support Food Bank September
- Fall Fundraising for Eelam Tamils Fall

7. Skill development and Entrepreneurship

- Summer student hiring and mentoring each year
- Workshops and seminars for entrepreneurship and students
- Webinars for community knowledge from experts

8. Conferences, Summits and publications

- Collaboratively maintaining https://tamilconferences.org/
- 9. Transparent and accountable
 - Publish Financial statement annually and Yearly AGM for members
 - Hold public town hall meeting for the community engagement and feedback





OTA Horizon 2030 - Future

1. 2030 Goals

- a. Host the 3rd International Conference on Tamil Nationhood and Genocide by 2030 (https://tamilconferences.org/).
- b. Continue and elevate the THM Gala annually with higher standards (https://ottawatamilassociation.ca/tamil-heritage-month-thm-gala/).
- c. Build a Tamil Genocide Museum/Monument in Ottawa by 2030, partner with the Tamil Genocide Memorial (TGM) (https://tamilgenocide.com/).
- d. Expand collaborations with FeTNA, FGTO, and <u>TCC</u> for tangible results.
- e. Advance justice for Sri Lanka's Tamil genocide, building on Canada's May 18 declaration. Support legal research, advocacy and publications to meet ICJ standards. https://archive.org/details/sri-lankas-genocide-against-tamils-2024-booklet
- 2. OTA will continue to promote and focus on:
 - a. Canadian core values of equality, freedom, and democracy,
 - b. Tamil Heritage and Tamil Eelam history
 - c. Increase the collaborations with like-minded Organizations globally and nationally
- 3. Sustaining Supporter (OTA-SS)
 - OTA-SS supporters (\$100/year with maximum of 1K) are vital to sustaining OTA's 2030 goals without financial worry.

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How you can support Ottawa Tamil Association?

- 1. Get involved and support OTA annual events
 - a. https://www.facebook.com/ottawatamilassociation, https://x.com/ottawa tamilassociation, <a href="https://x.co
 - b. Become a volunteer
- 2. Become a member of Ottawa Tamil Association
 - a. https://ottawatamilassociation.ca/ottawa-tamil-association/membership/
- 3. Donate to Ottawa Tamil Association
 - a. https://ottawatamilassociation.ca/ via the Donate button

OTA is run by volunteers and community support is always appreciated!





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