

# Ontario Digital Literacy and Access Network

Seasonal Newsletter

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## Winter Update

Welcome to the 9th edition of the ODLAN newsletter. We are excited to share our most recent updates and new initiatives with you. Thank you for being a part of the ODLAN community.

In the last few months, we have seen a significant increase in anti-2SLGBTQIA+ hate. Across the country, the rights of trans and queer folks have been continuously challenged. However, we also feel grateful to see the support that has been shown for the 2SLGBTIA+ community, especially in response to the horrifying protests that took place on September 20th. Thank you for your continuous support for ODLAN as we continue to work to promote digital equity for all.

## Annual General Meeting

**Join us for our annual general meeting!**



January 9th, 2024. 6:45PM-8PM (EST)



Zoom Meeting

All are welcome, including volunteers, network partners, and community members. We will be discussing our highlights from 2023 and our goals for the coming year.

If you would like join us please register [here](#) to receive the meeting link. We hope to see you there!

# Understanding and Addressing Online Hate Targeting 2SLGBTQIA+ Organizations



Over the last year, we have been building on our previous research on anti-2SLGBTQIA+ online hate. We have been working hard behind the scenes to develop a series of six publicly available modules that will support 2SLGBTQIA+ non-profit staff and volunteers in understanding anti-2SLGBTQIA+ online hate from an intersectional perspective.

These modules will be made publicly available in February with project evaluation starting in early 2024.

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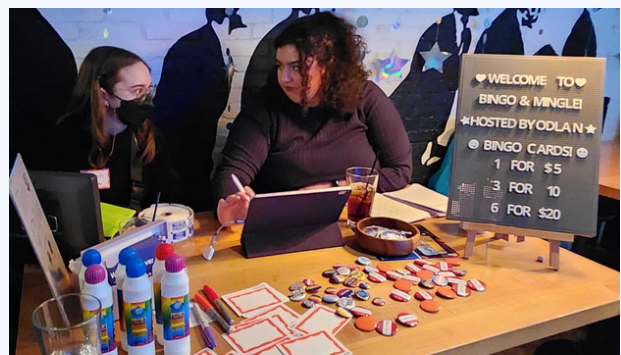


## Bingle & Mingle Fundraiser

A massive thank you goes to all those who joined us for our annual winter fundraiser, ODLAN's Bingle & Mingle. We could not do this work without the support of our community. Thank you to all those who also provided in-kind donations.

We want to send out an extra big thank you to the whole ODLAN team and the volunteers who helped make this evening such a success.

We look forward to seeing you all again for more bingo-ing next year!



# New Team Member Alert!

## Evan Vipond

### *Director of Learning*

Evan Vipond is a PhD Candidate in Gender, Feminist and Women's Studies at York University. Their doctoral research focuses on trans rights and cultural politics. Evan has 15+ years of experience working with 2SLGBTQIA+ communities in Toronto/Tkaronto in the areas of education, arts and culture, health care, and justice initiatives. They offer consulting services on 2SLGBTQIA+ issues, and inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility (IDEA) across sectors. They specialize in training and curriculum development, policy review, 2SLGBTQIA+ service and program evaluation, and 2SLGBTQIA+ community consultation. They are trans, nonbinary, queer, and invisibly disabled.



ODLAN appreciates all of our volunteer and team contributions. It is their knowledge and expertise that help grow the ODLAN initiative.

## Connect with us today

We are always looking to grow our network and find new people to collaborate with. If you think your organization might be a good fit, reach out to us!

Additionally, if you are looking to volunteer with ODLAN please email [vounteer.coordinator@odlan.ca](mailto:vounteer.coordinator@odlan.ca)

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