

NYO CANADA VIRTUAL 5K

Frequently Asked Questions

What: TCS Toronto Waterfront Virtual 5K

When: Friday October 7, 2022 at 10:00 AM EST

Where: Anywhere! If you'd like to run with the NYO staff, we are meeting at Trillium Park, 955 Lake Shore Blvd. West, Toronto at 10:00 AM EST

Why: To raise \$10,000 for the NYO Canada Endowment Fund. (What is an endowment, and why does it matter? Keep reading!)

How do I register for the Virtual Run?

Please visit this [special referral link to register](#) for the NYO Canada run (by using this link, NYO receives a \$5 referral donation from Toronto Waterfront). Follow these steps:

1. Choose the distance/package you wish to register for (NYO staff are running the Virtual 5K, for which the fee is \$60 + HST and processing fees. Other distances/packages are priced differently.)

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Sub-event

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In-Person

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In-Person + Virtual

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- Virtual Marathon [ASICS Runkeeper™ app](#) \$60.00 Domestic shipping included
- Virtual Half Marathon [ASICS Runkeeper™ app](#) \$60.00 Domestic shipping included
- Virtual 5K [ASICS Runkeeper™ app](#) \$60.00 Domestic shipping included

 In-Person + Virtual

2. Enter in your name, address, and shipping/billing information.
3. Under the heading “Charity Challenge,” select the option “I’d like to join an existing fundraising team”. (This step ensures we receive the \$5 referral donation.) Search for or select National Youth Orchestra of Canada (NYO Canada) from the drop-down menu.

General & TCS Charity Challenge Fundraising Teams

 Automatically added to team **National Youth Orchestra of Canada (NYO Canada)**

By joining a team, I understand and agree that: *

- The team captain will be able to see various details of my registration, including my contact information.

Selected fundraising organization for National Youth Orchestra of Canada (NYO Canada):

- National Youth Orchestra of Canada (NYO Canada)

Is there a fee to sign-up?

Yes, there is a fee of \$60 + HST and processing fees to register for the 5K. For everyone who registers using our [special referral link](#), NYO Canada receives a \$5 referral donation.

I can't afford the registration fee, but still want to participate. What are my options?

If you cannot afford the fee, is there someone (like a parent) who can pay for the registration on your behalf? If having someone else pay the fee isn't an option for you, don't worry. You are still more than welcome to run with us in an "un-official" capacity! Please ask your friends and family to support by donating on the [NYO Canada team page](#).

I want to run, but I don't live in Toronto. Can I participate?

Yes, you can! This year is a Virtual Run (due to COVID-19), meaning that you can complete your run anywhere in the world on any day between October 1 and 31.

I want to run, but I can't participate on October 7. What are my options?

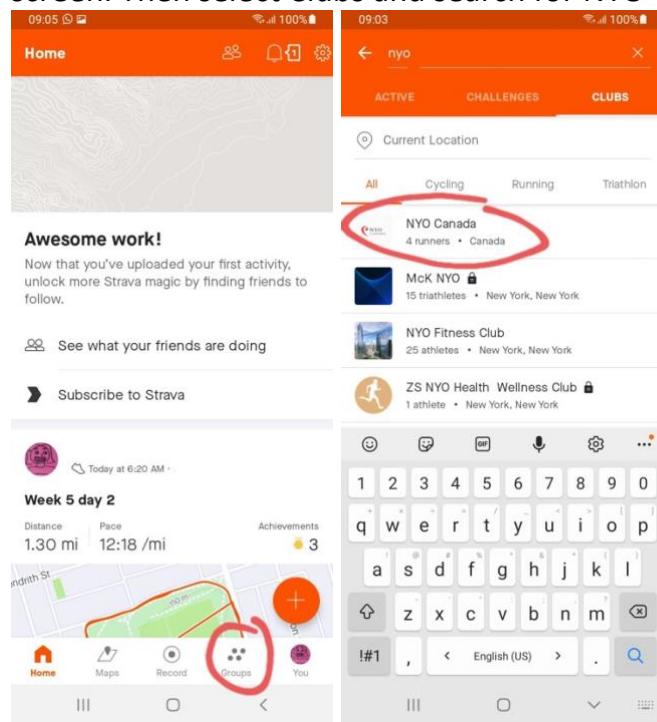
You can participate in the Virtual 5K (or any distance of your choice) any time during the month of October.

Do I get a running kit/swag?

Everyone who registers for the 5K (or other distance) on Race Roster will receive a running kit. Kits are available for free pick-up at Running Room in Toronto during regular store hours from September 30 to October 3. Kits can also be shipped anywhere in Canada for \$10, or internationally for \$20. You can still participate in the run without the running kit.

How do I join the NYO Canada running club on Strava?

After you have installed the Strava app, click on the Groups icon on the bottom of the screen. Then select Clubs and search for NYO Canada.



What's an endowment fund?

An endowment fund works like a trust, where donated monies are invested, earn income, and provide a steady stream of annual revenue for the orchestra. The endowment fund is one of the best tools we must ensure that the orchestra remains financially healthy and can support future young musicians for generations to come.

Why are we raising money for the endowment fund?

Donations to the endowment support your scholarships, the training session, and tours – and every dollar raised is eligible for dollar-for-dollar matching by the Government of Canada. This means that a \$25 donation can become \$50, having twice the impact.