

# “Give ‘em the ole razzle dazzle” Youth talent show in Potton



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On Saturday, June 9 at 7pm in the Mansonville Elementary School gymnasium, the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) will hold its Annual Youth Talent Show. Admission is \$5.00 per adult and funds raised go toward the costs of the show (costumes, props, decorations...). Parent volunteers will be preparing desserts and juice will also be served. The MES provides the use of the school for free and parent and youth volunteers assist with the event.

The show features youth from 5 to 17 years of age and is the result of weeks of practicing. These youth, most of who are implicated in many different activities has worked extremely hard to prepare a show for parents, neighbours and friends to enjoy. Their only reward besides personal achievement and fun is the joy of seeing the venue full of attendees and to hear the sound of the applause and occasional laughter. These are not professionals nor the show a competition but rather, a joining of kids who support, encourage and care for each other.

The Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre youth programs are run on a minimal budget and registration fee for Boys and Girls group is a mere \$10.00 per youth per year. The Saturday Dance program is free to all youth ages 5-12. The aim of the low registration is to encourage all youth to partake in the activities. Allowing the youth to dance, sing, act and express themselves gives the kids a sense of accomplishment, commitment and achievement.

This year's show is a mixture of numbers including hip hop by the older youth and a tribute to musicals by the younger youth. The show will include numbers from: Chicago (All that Jazz), The Blues Brothers (Shake Your Tail Feather), Dirty Dancing (Time of My Life) and more as well as some fun favourites like Tom Jones's (It's Not Unusual) and the Ting Tings, "That's Not My Name." There are a few surprise numbers and the evening while not perfect will inspire those who attend with the fact that, our youth are still creative, expressive and joyous spirits despite our living in a time of social media craze and focus.

There is no reserved seating so folk are encouraged to arrive early. If you enjoy music and children, this is the show for you! The CABMN youth participants are eager to razzle dazzle you with their talent and fun.

For more information about the CABMN programs, visit [www.cabmn.org](http://www.cabmn.org).

To reach the Youth Centre call, 450-292-4886 to reach the CAB Main Office call, 450-292-3114.

The Saturday Dance program is animated by parent volunteer, Patricia Lachance and CABMN Director, Mable



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Hastings assisted by Eleanor Cote (Coordinator youth and communication). Boys and Girls groups are animated by Sarah Jersey (Coordinator youth and volunteer services) assisted by Deborah

Dimitruk (Animator).

The CABMN is always on the look out for special costumes or rare costume items...if you have something to donate, give them a call.

# RCHS launches new exhibit and summer program

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cial and cultural activities for decades. Witness to centuries of development and community spirit, the activities bring people from far and wide out of hibernation and are a great way to meet the locals, make new friends and rekindle old friendships.

Our theme this year revolves around

music, so music and musicians will be involved in most of the events.

This summer's traditional seasonal kickoff took place at the museum on Sunday May 27th at 1p.m. where tea and scones were served and Julie Miller delighted the crowd with beautiful music played on her harp.

On Sunday June 17 from 1-4 p.m. take the time for a family and friends escapade and swing by the Melbourne Market. The Ice Cream Social is a very popular come and go event, drawing large crowds that mingle and connect over fresh strawberries and ice cream, lemonade, and baked goods.

All music lovers should mark their calendars for the Sunday afternoon recitals in July at the museum. Featured local musicians will include Francine Beaubien, Julie Miller, and Isabelle Gosselin.

What could be more English than a Lawn Party? Perhaps a Gin Garden at said Lawn Party? On Saturday, August 25, the RCHS Lawn Party aims to get everyone outside and enjoy the Lawn, regardless of the weather. The museum is open for visiting and a gin garden will offer innovative takes on the traditional g&t. Non-alcoholic refreshments will also be available. At 3pm, the annual group photo will be taken on the Lawn for the archives. As for all of the RCHS activities, the more the merrier. We hope to see you this summer!

The Richmond County Historical Society (RCHS) archives and museum have been central to the region's so-



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