

CNE's model search open to all Canadians

Deadline this Friday

The CNE is holding one of the largest fashion events of the summer, including a model search.

Open to all Canadians, male or female, six years old and up, the CNE Model Search aims to showcase the diversity of Canada and promote people of all ages, shapes, sizes and ethnic backgrounds. The contest offers cash awards and great prizes from CNE's supporters and of course lots of fun. The competitors will be grouped by age and special divisions. For those interested, the application deadline is this Friday.

To request an application call 416-263-3865 or e-mail fashionevent@theex.com.

The model search will be held Aug. 30 - Sept 1.

As part of the CNE's 125th anniversary celebrations there will be fashion events held everyday beginning Aug. 15 with CNE Traditional National Costumes Fashion Show.

Designers and companies also interested in showcasing their products at the International Stage should be in contact with the CNE Fashion Event Committee by July 25. The CNE Fashion Event 2003 is to promote the fashion industry and to recognize individuals and companies that contribute to Canada's unique style.

For more information visit www.TheEx.com and click on Fashion Events or contact the CNE Fashion Event Committee at 416-263-3865.

Established in 1879, the CNE is one of the North America's largest annual fairs and a valuable Ontario attraction. It brings in more than \$35 million to Toronto each year, and last year The EX welcomed approximately 1.5 million visitors, making it the best attended summer attraction in the city. A visit to The EX costs \$10 for general admission and \$7 for seniors and children 13 and under.

Be a part of art history: cast members needed for unique opera project Friday

Final product to be displayed in Gairloch Gardens

By Craig MacBride
SPECIAL TO THE BEAVER

The Oakville Galleries needs your help.

It needs to fill the Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts with people this Friday, July 18 between 1 - 4 p.m. for an upcoming project - a video opera.

Volunteer cast members will act the parts of delegates at an international AIDS conference, listening to the singing of an aria.

The project, called *Fig Trees*, will be displayed in Oakville Galleries in Gairloch Gardens and in Centennial Square from November to January. It will be directed by John Greyson, acclaimed in both the art world and the mainstream Canadian film circle. His film *Lilies* earned four Juno awards in 1996.

Essentially, *Fig Trees* is a modern remake of writer Gertrude Stein's *Four Saints in Three Acts*, except with an enormous twist.

Revolving around Saint Teresa and Saint Ignatius, *Four Saints in*

Three Acts, according to Stein, is about the Spanish landscape and the lives of saints. The opera was put to music by Virgil Thomson.

First staged in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1934, it did remarkably well and is often thought to be the best work both Stein and Thomson ever did.

Stein contrasted saints with activists and reportedly commented that to be a "good saint" one has to do nothing, while activists continuously try to do something.

Greyson probably knew of that comment beforehand, as the twist in the opera is the introduction of Zackie Achmat, a South African AIDS activist, filmmaker and friend of Greyson's.

The director, in collaboration with musician and composer David Wall, has taken a lot of liberties with the opera, and explained that Gertrude Stein, who died in 1946, is alive in his version, writing about Achmat and martyrdom.

Achmat is one of nearly 5 million HIV-positive South Africans. He heads the Treatment Action Group and has stopped taking the medication he is fortunate to be able to afford until it is affordable to all. He said it could only be achievable if U.S. pharmaceutical companies loosened their patent policies and allowed widespread



John Greyson

sale of generic versions of their drugs.

The final product of *Fig Trees* will be a set of televisions throughout the gallery spaces, each in different environments, that will take viewers, scene by scene, through the opera and the galleries. Viewers will also be given the libretto so they can more easily follow along.

It was the structure of the Oakville Galleries that made Greyson want to do it there. "Of all the contemporary art galleries," Greyson said, "it was the only place where I could picture going from room to room."

Curator of contemporary art Mamie Fleming expects that *Fig Trees* will take the Oakville Galleries to an entirely new level as a contemporary art institution.

"Once we get this under our belts, we'll be able to do anything," she said. "This is a perfect match for our gallery."

It isn't just the enormity of the video opera either. A book and CD set, along with Greyson's libretto notes and an essay by Bongani Ndodana, a South African composer and musical director of *Ensemble Noir* who now lives in Toronto, will be available.

"We really want a mobile audience completely consumed," Fleming said. "We want an audience of participants."

One of the best ways to participate will be to show up at the Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts, 130 Navy St., on Friday afternoon at 1 p.m. and become a part of Greyson and Wall's video opera, and a part of art history.

All volunteer actors will become part of the Friends of the Avant-Garde, Oakville Chapter, and will have the privilege of following the creative process of *Fig Trees*.

To volunteer as a cast member, call 905-844-4402, ext. 23.

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TOP THREE TO SIX NOMINEES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AUGUST 2nd
Please fill out a minimum of 10 categories. Then it's your votes that will decide the winners!

Reader's Selection Categories

<p>Best Business/Service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Accounting Firm _____ > Air Conditioning _____ > Airline _____ > Auto Glass Repair _____ > Auto Service Centre _____ > Auto Collision _____ > BBQ Centre _____ > Bank/Trust Companies _____ > Banquet Facilities _____ > Brew Your Own Beer _____ > Brew Your Own Wine _____ > Butcher _____ > Carpet/Upholstery/Cleaning _____ > Car Audio _____ > Car Wash _____ > Chiropractic Clinic _____ > Collision Repair _____ > Cosmetic/Beauty _____ > Cosmetic Surgery Clinic _____ > Chocolate _____ > Courier _____ > Cruise Company _____ > Day Care _____ > Dog Training _____ > Driving Instruction _____ > Dry Cleaners _____ > Electrical Contractor _____ > Electrolysis _____ > Employment Agency _____ > Esthetics _____ > Fitness Club _____ > Floor Covering _____ > Fresh Fruit _____ > Garage Door Service _____ > Gas Station _____ > Hair Salon _____ > Heating/Air Conditioning _____ > Home Health Care _____ > Home Renovations _____ > Hot Tubs _____ 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<p>That Certain Something</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > All Around Restaurant _____ > After Theatre _____ > Ambiance _____ > Attentive Owners _____ > Bar _____ > Bakery _____ > Breakfast _____ > Best New Restaurant _____ > Boys Night Out _____ > Breakfast Buffet _____ > Lunch Buffet _____ > Dinner Buffet _____ > Butcher Shop _____ > Casual Fine Dining _____ > Cafe _____ > Celebrity Spotting _____ > Cappuccino/Espresso _____ > Cocktails _____ > Decor _____ 	<p>> Dining with Kids _____</p> <p>> Dining with Friends _____</p> <p>> Drive Thru _____</p> <p>> Entertainment _____</p> <p>> Family Celebration _____</p> <p>> Family Restaurant _____</p> <p>> Food Presentation _____</p> <p>> Friendliest _____</p> <p>> Girls Night Out _____</p> <p>> Health Food _____</p> <p>> Innovation _____</p> <p>> Jazz Club Bar _____</p> <p>> Lounge _____</p> <p>> Lunch with Clients _____</p> <p>> New Restaurant _____</p> <p>> Night Club _____</p> <p>> Original Cuisine _____</p> <p>> Out of Town Mississauga _____</p> <p>> Out of Town Burlington _____</p> <p>> Quick Bite _____</p>	<p>> Outdoor Patio _____</p> <p>> Pub _____</p> <p>> Romantic _____</p> <p>> Service _____</p> <p>> Spiciest _____</p> <p>> Sports Bar _____</p> <p>> View _____</p> <p>> Wait Staff _____</p> <p>> Wine List _____</p>	<p>> Indian _____</p> <p>> Irish Pub _____</p> <p>> Italian _____</p> <p>> Japanese _____</p> <p>> Mediterranean _____</p> <p>> Mexican _____</p>	<p>Specialty Fair</p> <p>> Appetizer _____</p> <p>> Bagels _____</p> <p>> Beer Selection _____</p> <p>> Brunch _____</p> <p>> Bruschetta _____</p> <p>> Caesar Salad _____</p> <p>> Caesar Salad _____</p> <p>> Catering _____</p> <p>> Chicken _____</p> <p>> Coffee _____</p> <p>> Deli _____</p> <p>> Dessert _____</p> <p>> Doughnuts _____</p>	<p>> Fajita _____</p> <p>> Fish & Chips _____</p> <p>> French Fries _____</p> <p>> French Onion Soup _____</p> <p>> Hamburger _____</p> <p>> Hot Dog _____</p> <p>> Ice Cream _____</p> <p>> Pasta _____</p> <p>> Pancakes _____</p> <p>> Pizza _____</p> <p>> Popcorn _____</p> <p>> Ribs _____</p> <p>> Salad bar _____</p> <p>> Sandwich _____</p> <p>> Seafood _____</p> <p>> Shooters _____</p> <p>> Steak _____</p> <p>> Submarine _____</p> <p>> Wild Game _____</p> <p>> Wings _____</p>
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