ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Join the benefit Halloween/harvest concert for kids

By Carol Baldwin **ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR**

Kids, aged 3 to 9, can dress in their Halloween costumes, sing along with the music, and enjoy the Halloween/Harvest concert at the Region of Halton Administration Building on Saturday, Oct. 30th.

The concert will feature Cariboo Moose, and proceeds will go to the Halton Centre for Child Care.

Peter Tam, founder of Cariboo Moose and parent of one of the children attending the child-care centre, applauds the work of the non-profit day-care facility, and claims it is one of the main reasons he chooses to live in Oakville.

The songwriter is, by day, a computer engineer whose office is in California. Quite a commute for the father of three but, he says, "I like Oakville. Oakville is my favourite place. I like the day-care school, the people. You can't beat it," he says.

"I've been all kinds of places and I really haven't found anything like this. It has community centres, the Y, the education is good, and we don't have guns - that's the main reason."

Cariboo Moose, Tam's performing arts company, presents concerts for children in Ontario and California, changing its cast according to need.

"Most of the cast is kids. The interest range changes, and I change around," explains Tam. "I'm doing solo, on my own, and I like finding local people to do the rest."

And right now he is looking for a female vocalist, preferably one who enjoys working with kids.

Cariboo Moose recently cut its second CD, The All Natural Kid, which, like the first, is all original songs.

"It's half activity songs, half lullabies. We get them all worn out, then

Registration

October 18

9:00 a.m.

Kindergym (ages 2-5)

Artistic

Begins

put them to sleep," he quips. "The CD is being marketed on the net by a company in California."

The Halloween concert at the region, adds Tam, will mix some of his original tunes with a few traditional favourites - Old MacDonald and Bingo, for example.

"A lot of the songs are up-beat and familiar," Tam explains. "And there will be lots of activity songs. The concert will be about half-an-hour. That's long enough for kids."

Along with his upcoming Halloween concert, Tam is already thinking of a third CD, one that focuses on special occasion songs.

Angela Praysner, who is on the board at the child-care centre, says money raised at the Cariboo Moose Halloween/harvest concert will go to help purchase some new equipment for the centre.

Kids are encouraged to get into the mood of the concert by wearing their Halloween costumes to the show. A prize will be awarded for best costume.

Doors of the regional building on Bronte Road, just north of the QEW, will open at 10:30 a.m. Show time is at

Cost is \$5 per person or \$15 per family. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

Tickets are available at the door or in advance through the Halton Centre for Child Care at 1151 Bronte Rd., 825-6106.

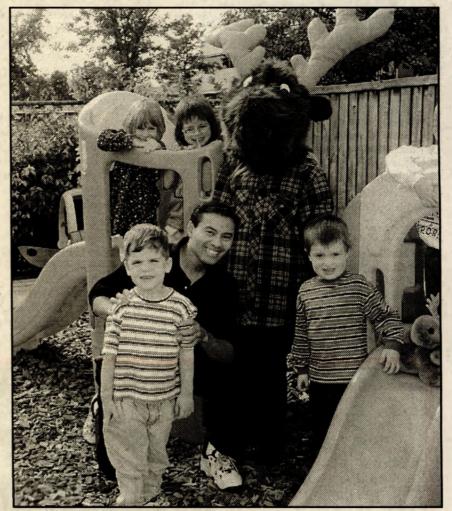


Photo by Peter C. McCusker

Peter Tam, founder of Cariboo Moose, poses in front of Cariboo with Lauren, Nicole (in back), Ryan and Andrew of the Halton Centre for Child Care.

for children, which begin this week.

11:30 a.m. or from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

6th, Nov. 13th, and Jan. 22nd.

from Jan. 26th to March 29th.

leries at 844-4402.

place on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

Oakville Galleries.

Art classes at

Oakville Galleries

begin today

Oakville Galleries is getting ready for its art classes

The innovative Parent and Child program explores art with children ages 4 to 6, accompanied by an adult. Child and adult work together to nurture creativity from 10 to

The first session runs on Wednesdays from Oct. 6th to Nov. 10th. Session two is on Thursdays from Oct. 28th to

Registrations is \$105 or \$90 for family members of

Saturdays Are for Making Art is for older children. Morning classes, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, are for ages 6 to

There are three three-week sessions beginning Oct.

An evening Teen Art program for ages 14 and up takes

The 1999 session runs from Oct. 13th to Dec. 15th, while the second session begins in the new year and runs

Programs for children aged 7 to 10 are also available on school P.A. days - Oct. 8th, Dec. 3rd, and Feb. 4th - from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with daycare available from 4 to 5 p.m. Registration is \$30 or \$25 for family members. An addi-

To register or for more information, call Oakville Gal-

9 while ages 10 to 13 create from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

tional \$5 is charged for the one-hour day care.

Registration is \$65 or \$50 for family members.

Market

we have not drawn a

Great Detective Entry Form

Send entries to: HaltonSear 1. Com

The Prize location is, (Be Very Specific):

Name:

Address:

correct winner, \$250 will be added to the prize!

(ages 5 and up) Rhythmic (ages 6 and up) 220 Wyecroft Rd. Unit 52 (8 4 2 - 3 5 3 7)



This Issue's Clue:

#4. IF YOU ARE OFF TO THE

WRONG TRACK.

RACES YOU ARE ON THE



ABBEY HEALTH FOODS

Hopedale Mall (905) 847-1938