

# New Theatre Guild to produce traditional British pantomime

## Audition call and first meeting

Century Theatre Guild in the Town of Erin is the newest member of The Association of Community Theatres in Central Ontario. Formed and sponsored by The Erin Arts Foundation, the Theatre Guild's prime purpose is to produce a traditional British-style pantomime, "Cinderella", for two weekends November 26, 27, and December 2, 3, 2005.

Written by Bev Nicholas, and directed by Nick Holmes, this all-family show will follow in the tradition of pantomime, with lots of audience participation - good guys to cheer, and bad guys to boo, music to join in with, dancing to enjoy, in fact lots of fun for all. Tickets are only \$10, and are already in demand, and can be reserved by calling the Box Office at 519 855 4586.

The inaugural meeting of the Guild

will be held at Hillsburgh Community Christian Church, Main Street, Hillsburgh (Century Church Theatre) on Monday, September 12, at 7:30 pm. Anyone interested in participating is welcome to come and meet other like-minded community members. No experience is necessary, just an interest in having a good time working with a dynamic group on a great community project, using the skills you have, and possibly learning some new ones.

Auditions for actors, both principal and chorus, will follow the meeting, and producer Neville Worsnop will be looking to fill many interesting backstage jobs as well. Casting will continue Tuesday, September 13 at 7:30 at the same location. For more information call Neville at 519 855 6896, or Nick at 519 855 4034.

# Local Pond Hockey Players Can Register for First-ever National Championship

Pond hockey teams from across Halton have a shot at tasting victory at the first ever Source For Sports Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships and to see their name in lights at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The new national championship will deliver what hockey fans love about our game: fast paced, wide-open, competitive action.

Registration for the event, open to men's players 25 years and over and women players 19 years and over (as of January 1st, 2006) officially opened today at special ceremonies at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The Championships will be challenged on six acres of natural ice from January 27 to 29, 2006 at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville, Ontario.

Neil Lumsden, Executive Director, is betting the championship will attract hundreds of recreational players and fans from across Canada in a celebration of hockey's roots.

"This championship will bring together people from across the country and around the world to compete in and celebrate the purest form of hockey," said Lumsden. "Pond hockey is the great leveler. A local team that has honed its skills on the frozen ponds of Halton could be the ultimate champions."

Men's and women's teams can register until October 14, 2005 at [www.canadapondhockey.ca](http://www.canadapondhockey.ca). Teams can

consist of up to five competitors, although shifts are limited to four per side. The championship is endorsed by the World Pond Hockey Championships held each year in Plaster Rock, New Brunswick.

The championship is attracting large support from businesses across Canada including Source For Sports, the title sponsor, and presenting sponsor Yamaha Motor Canada.

The Source for Sports Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships will be played pretty much the same way our hockey forefathers intended. There will be few rules (except those focused on safety and fair play), no goalies and no on-ice officials. In all, 120 men's and women's teams will compete for a chance to have their names engraved on championship trophies hand carved out of maple. The Championship Cups are to be displayed for all to see at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Honorary chair and women's Olympic gold-medallist, Geraldine Heaney expects a strong line-up of men's and women's teams. "This takes you back to the backyard rink, the local pond. This where many hockey greats first developed their skills."

For more information on the Source for Sports Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships, including rules and format, how to register, travel information and the full schedule of events, visit [www.canadapondhockey.ca](http://www.canadapondhockey.ca).

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## Recreation Opportunities in Arts & Culture, Part 2

An earlier column covered art, dance, heritage and music. In this column we describe additional leisure activities for you and your children.

**THEATRE** In addition to attending school dramatic arts classes, talented children can take drama lessons with **Milton Youth Theatre Productions**. Highlight of the year is a professionally staged musical. **MYTP** also offers a summer theatre camp in Milton Fairgrounds. Founded 26 years ago as a community theatre group, **Milton Players** offers a 3 production dinner theatre series and provides original Murder Mysteries for service clubs and private events as a fundraiser.

**SENIORS** Milton's Senior's Activity Centre is home to many clubs providing activities in drama, carving, quilting and sewing, folk art, as well as the Kitchen Band, and the **Song Spinners**, directed by pianist Joyce Hayward. See the Community Services Guide for schedules. Seniors are obviously not limited to participation in these organized activities. They are also involved in every non-profit group in Milton and are one of our most valuable community resources.

**MUSIC PROMOTERS** Our 5 non-profit promoters bring high quality performers to this area, to compliment the productions of local groups. **Milton Concert Presentations** is celebrating their 20th sea-

son. For years MCP has hosted conductor Kerry Stratton and the Toronto Philharmonia Orchestra, bringing fine classical orchestral music to St. Paul's Church. In addition MCP has featured other groups such as the Toronto All Star Big Band and Peter Appleyard and friends.

**The Children's Hour** invites well-known performers to Sunday afternoon concerts at Milton Bible Church, 4 to 6 times a year. This is a low cost and effective way to introduce very young children to music and theatre, while entertaining parents and older children.

**Simply Folk** is a "home concert" concept introduced to Milton by local resident Rose Brooks. This intimate series, held in Hugh Foster Hall, features some of Canada's best folk performers. Seating only 80, the venue gives the audience a wonderful chance to experience these incredible talents up close.

Halton Museum Foundation hosts exciting music nights at their historic facility.

Georgetown Bach Chorale is a hybrid group, with local choir, and guest artists. Founded by director and pianist Ronald Greidanus, the Chorale has a very strong following in Georgetown and Caledon East, where the concerts are held, and in the neighbouring communities.

For more information on these groups visit our web site or call 905-854-4028.

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This week's Top Ten Movie Rentals brought to you by

1. Sahara	6. Ring Two
2. Monster In Law	7. Lilo & Stitch 2
3. Crash	8. Ong Bak
4. A Lot Like Love	9. Sin City
5. Beauty Shop	10. The Wedding Date

## New Releases

### Crash

Sandra Bullock, Don Cheadle, Matt Dillon  
Radically different lives of various Los Angeles residents intersect and impact each other after a car accident brings them together.

### Monster in Law

Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda, Michael Vartan  
After years of looking for Mr. Right, Charlotte Cantilini finally finds the man of her dreams only to discover that his mother is the woman of her nightmares. A recently fired national news anchor who is afraid she will lose her son the way she has just lost her career. Viola Fields determines to scare off her son's new fiance by becoming the world's worst mother - in - law. While Viola's long-time assistant Ruby does her best to help Viola execute her crazy schemes, Charlie decides to fight back and the gloves come off as the women battle it out to see just who is the alpha-female.