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Church musical

SleepTowne Mattress

Tory Johnston (left) played Winifred and Juli Heinz portrayed Marlene in the St. Paul's Phoenix Youth Theatre's production of Winifred's Bear. The group put on the musical at the Main Street church November 29, 30 and December 1.

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By FANNIE SUNSHINE The Champion

he way
Michelle
Truman
feels about the
stage is the same
way she feels
about Milton—at
home.

The 22-year-old recently landed the part

of Rusty in the musical 'Footloose', which runs until February 3 at Stage West in Mississauga.

Michelle

Truman

"We do eight shows a week," the singer/dancer said. "I absolutely love the show. It's like I'm going to a party everyday. Most of the people in the audience know the songs because they're all from

the '80s and they have already seen the movie."

From the moment she stepped onto the stage at Bishop Reding Secondary School, she knew this was what she wanted to do with her life, she said.

Recently, Ms Truman returned from Germany, where she recorded an R&B/pop style album with her girl group Envy.

"It was a side project. The album has only been released in Europe."

And prior to her European stint, she toured the Mediterranean seas on Suncruises as a vocalist.

"I'm definitely concentrating on planting my feet in Canadian soil," Ms Truman said. "What I like most about doing live performances is working off other people's energy on stage."

Her stage credits include performances in The Little Shop of Horrors, Annie and Alice in Wonderland.



