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'Talented students' set to stage The Music Man

What do you do when you fall in love with someone who has obvious ethical issues?

That dilemma will be played out on stage with the latest production by Milton Youth Theatre Productions (MYTP).

The performance of 'The Music Man' will take place at the Meadowvale Theatre in Mississauga next Friday at 8 p.m. and February 17 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Students from 6 to 18 years old will take to the stage for the performance, which also includes a live pit band.

Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$10 for kids under 12.

Meredith Wilson's music and lyrics tell the story of "professor" Harold Hill, who travels from town to town, taking pre-paid orders for musical instruments and uniforms. He claims he'll teach youngsters to play and form a town band.

But Hill's scam is complicated when he becomes attracted to the local librarian, who soon sees him for the fraud he is. Although she recognizes his scheme, Marian falls in love with Harold.

It's a group of very talented students putting on the show, said MYTP director Kim Belvedere. "We're so proud of their hard work and dedication throughout the entire process of putting this play together."

She added she hopes the Milton community will support the students by attending the performance.

"It will be a great day when Milton finally gets our own professional theatre facility to showcase our local talent," she added.

For tickets, call the Meadowvale Box Office at (905) 615-4720.

For information about MYTP, visit www.miltontheatre.ca.



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BREAK A LEG: Members of Milton Youth Theatre Productions (from left) Hugh Ritchie, Leanna Ritchie, Wyatt Colton and Kathryn Goodenough gear up for next week's performance of The Music Man. The show will take place at the Meadowvale Theatre in Mississauga.

Trio of artists to perform songs of legendary Gordon Lightfoot

Three award-winning artists will come to Milton next month to celebrate the songs of musical legend Gordon Lightfoot.

Aengus Finnan, Jory Nash and Terry Tufts will perform March 30 at 8 p.m. at the Milton Bible Church auditorium, 200 Main St. E.

They'll present a musical evening interweaving a collection of Lightfoot's most beloved songs with their own original tunes inspired by Lightfoot's music.

Tickets cost \$25 in advance.

Between them, Finnan, Nash and Tufts have won the prestigious 'Songs From the Heart' award, sponsored by the Ontario Council of Folk Festivals, four years in a row.

The three singers are all included in the Beautiful CD, the first ever Lightfoot tribute album, released nationally across North America by Borealis Records and Northern Blues Music.

They've spent two seasons across the border bringing

both Lightfoot's music and the songs he inspired them to write to the United States.

This is the first time the show has toured in this form in Canada.

This concert is part of the JustMiltonFolks series, which aims to bring Canadian music to Milton in small, intimate performances.

For tickets, call (905) 876-2645 or visit www.justmilton-folks.ca.

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