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Peter Sís film at Friday night's La Ronde

Peter's films were gaining international recognition and while in Los Angeles for a film festival, he was invited by an American company to work on a short animation for the 1984 Summer Olympics. Sís was ordered back to Czechoslovakia when the Eastern Bloc boycotted those games but he decided stay.

Peter's first American film was *You've got to serve somebody*, illustrating the lyrics to the Bob Dylan song. (It will be shown tonight at the ten part event at the University of Toronto.)

Sís turns to children's books

He later heard about a children's book convention, and after showing his work, was asked to illustrate the book, *Bean Boy*. Peter's work has focused on illustrating children's book since that time but he is eager to make more films.

Peter is a five-time winner of the New York Times best illustrated Book of the Year for: *Rainbow Rhino*, *Beach Ball*, *Follow the Dream*, *Komodo!* and *The Three Golden Keys*. He won the 1986 Newbery Medal for his illustrations of *The Whipping Boy*, by Sid Fleishman, and his *Starry Messenger: Galileo Galilei* was a 1997 Caldecott Honor Book.

His latest book, the beautiful *Tibet: Through the Red Box*, was released in November, 1998 and is winning strong praise.

Another Milestone in OSLA education programming

Internationally acclaimed educator Jamie McKenzie sets the stage with his views in critical thinking, information literacy and Ontario's new curriculum.

Gerry Connolly from the Ministry of Education and training shows how the Ministry is seeing these skills being developed, and how teachers can be assisted in creating information literate students.

This multi faceted session also features Marguerite Jackson, Director of Education for the new Toronto District School Board, outlines how boards need to respond to achieve these proficiencies.

Many opportunities to see Sís

A session not to be missed: #813, In Conversation with Peter Sís, runs today from 4:00 p.m.-5:15 p.m. in the CP Ontario room.

You can see his award-winning film, *You Gotta Serve Somebody*, tonight at La Ronde, 8:40, 9:10 and 9:40 p.m.

Peter Sís is also the featured guest at the Children's Services Awards Luncheon on Saturday in MTCC room 204.

Oops!

■ Our apologies to John Trafford, who is listed in the Super Conference 1999 program as Jim Trafford.

John is the recipient of the OSLA Distinguished School Administrative Award being presented on Saturday at 12:00 noon by the Honourable Dave Johnson, Minister of Education and Training.

John doesn't even know Jim.

■ The description in the Super Conference 1999 program for session # 1107 should read: The Ministry of Education has licensed a number of standard software programs for school use. Learn hands-on how to develop your own school's homepage.

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Gerry Connolly is Director, Curriculum, Learning and Teaching Branch, of the Ministry of Education and Training.

A reaction panel will include a teacher-librarian, parent and student.

This super session, #1103 takes place on Saturday in MTCC room 202 at 2:00 p.m.

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