

Academy golden with Artslink

The concert band and children's choir from the York Durham Academy for the Performing Arts have achieved gold standings at the Artslink Music Alive festival.

The festival, which began March 23, has a non-competitive format, where adjudicators drawn from the music industry grade each performer or group.

More than 12,000 York Region residents will have participated in the festival by the time it ends May 4. They

will have come to sing, perform in choirs, bands or jazz ensembles, play an instrument or show their skill in composing music.

Artslink events are held throughout the region.

Stouffville sites are EastRidge Evangelical Missionary Church, Christ Church Anglican and St. Brigid's Catholic School. Local politicians are participating by taking on master of ceremony duties. Mayor Sue Sherban was at EastRidge Missionary Church this week; Councillor Harry Bowes was at Christ Church Anglican last week.

Annie, orphans moving to Vaughan

The York Durham Academy for the Performing Arts' latest production, *Annie*, takes to the stage with more than 40 cast members from Whitchurch-Stouffville and neighbouring municipalities.

The academy's fourth musical of the season is set in modern-day America, where the spunky young orphan triumphs over life's adversities.

Annie is portrayed by Miranda Clayton, 11, and Madeleine Eddy, 12. Each stars in two of the four performances. The Daddy Warbucks role is brought to life by Toronto actor Ross MacNaughton.

There are 26 children and 18 adults in the cast, including senior students 16 and older. They perform well-known songs such as *Hard Knock Life* and *Tomorrow*.

DOG SHARES SPOTLIGHT

Annie's dog, Sandy, is portrayed by a real-life canine, Yashshiku Tornado Warning, who answers to the name Tory.

There is more than one family involved in the academy. Kim Stanford, who plays orphanage owner Miss Hannigan, has two children performing. Her daughter, Ceileidgh Stinger is in *The*

Music Man, which is at the Vaughan City Playhouse at the end of May. Her son, Michael is in the academy choir.

Barb van Zante is sewing costumes while her daughter, Sydney Bracken, rehearses for her role in *The Music Man*.

Annie runs from April 29 to May 1 at the Vaughan City Playhouse. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m. and there are 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sunday.

Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$19 for students and seniors. To order, call 905-640-0823, ext. 3 or log on to www.y-shows.ca

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Subject: Request to amend the Official Plan of The Regional Municipality of York by The Town of Markham – Highway 404 North Employment Area

File No.: ROPA 46

Date of this Notice: April 14, 2005

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

The Regional Municipality of York

A public meeting will be held in accordance with Section 17(15) of the Planning Act, as amended, to inform the public and receive comments on this proposed Amendment to the Official Plan for The Regional Municipality of York:

Wednesday, May 4, 2005

1:30 PM

Committee Room A

York Region Administrative Centre
17250 Yonge St., Newmarket

Purpose and effect of this Amendment: The Town of Markham has requested an amendment to the Regional Official Plan to expand the existing urban boundary to facilitate a new employment area on the Highway 404 corridor.

For additional information:

Background information will be available for inspection at the York Region Planning and Development Services Department (see address and telephone numbers at the end of this notice) from 8:30 am to 4:30 p.m. on regular business days. Please contact Karen Whitney, Senior Planner, at extension 1505 for additional information. Refer to the Subject information and File No. at the top of this notice.

Approval Process:

Following the public meeting, the Council of The Regional Municipality of York may, if it chooses, adopt the proposed Amendment and give notice of the decision to adopt the Amendment.

Pursuant to Ontario Regulation 525/97, made under the Planning Act, applications for amendment to the Official Plan for The Regional Municipality of York commenced on or after January 19, 1998, are exempt from the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Once notice of decision is given, if you have objections to this amendment you may file with the Clerk of The Regional Municipality of York, within the time specified in the notice of decision, a notice of appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board.

NOTE:

1. If a person or public body that files a notice of appeal of a decision of The Regional Municipality of York in respect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or does not make written submissions to The Regional Municipality of York before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.
2. If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Official Plan Amendment you must make a written request to the Clerk of The Regional Municipality of York in care of the address at the end of this notice.

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make oral or written submissions either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Amendment. Written submissions, referring to the Subject information and File No. at the top of this notice, should be made to:

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