



### **Visitors To The Canada Pavilion Are Invited To Meet The Six Canadians That Are At The Heart Of The Pavilion Presentation**

Six Canadians have agreed to lend their voices and stories to the Canada Pavilion experience at Expo 2005. These six diverse storytellers represent the major regions of Canada—British Columbia, the Prairies, Ontario, Québec, the Atlantic Provinces and Nunavut. They each demonstrate Canada's unique cultural and environmental diversity.

These storytellers will travel individually to Japan throughout the course of Expo 2005 to provide visitors to the Pavilion an opportunity to meet real Canadians, which will greatly complement the virtual experience of Canada that the pavilion provides. The Canadians will take part in media events, as well as participate in several special activities at or around the Canada pavilion.

**Jennifer Toulmin**, who has been playing the title role in the Charlottetown Festival's production of "Anne of Green Gables—The Musical!" since 2002 will be at Expo from **May 3 to May 10**. Central to her visit will be Anne of Green Gables Day on May 5<sup>th</sup>, a special celebration of the beloved Canadian heroine. Other Anne-related events are planned throughout the week in conjunction with Jennifer's visit. She will spend time at the pavilion interacting with the public, providing pavilion visitors with a unique opportunity to meet a real Canadian face to face. A virtual exchange through the Canada Interactive Network Cyber Explorer Stations in the pavilion is also being planned in collaboration with the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic between Jennifer, a group of Japanese youth and a group of Canadian students in Halifax.

Each of the six Canadians will visit the Canada Pavilion over the course of the summer. **Dr. Randall Gossen**, Vice-President in charge of Safety, Environment and Social Responsibility for Nexen, an Alberta oil company, was the first to travel to Japan from **April 13 to April 20**. **Grace Fan**, a landscape architect and urban designer from Vancouver, British-Columbia, will visit Japan from **June 2 to June 9**. **Jean Lemire**, filmmaker and biologist who works out of Madeleine Islands in Quebec will be in Japan in **June**. **Idil Moussa**, from Toronto, Ontario, will be at the pavilion during Celebrate Canada week, from **June 28 to July 5**. **Kirt Ejesiak** from Iqaluit, Nunavut, will be joining us at the Canada pavilion from **August 2 to August 9**, which will be Nunavut Days at the Canada Pavilion.

For more information on the six Canadians storytellers and their visits to the Expo visit the [www.expo2005canada.gc.ca](http://www.expo2005canada.gc.ca) website. To request an interview, please contact the Communications team at the Canada Pavilion at 0561 64 5788. Media can also contact us by e-mail at [info@expo2005canada.gc.ca](mailto:info@expo2005canada.gc.ca)