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# This Week at the Canada Pavilion

**This week**: Discover the storytelling magic of Matthew Nuquingaq, Inuit performer from Iqaluit, Nunavut; enjoy a performance by the Ottawa Suzuki Music Exchange Students; set your eyes on beautiful samples of Aboriginal jewellery at an event hosted by International Trade Canada; learn about sister cities Kamloops, British Columbia and Uji, Kyoto Prefecture in the Manulife VIP Lounge and take in a performance by the Kamloops Pipe Band & Dancers.

For more information on these activities or to request an interview with any of the participants, please contact the Communications team at the Canada Pavilion at 0561 64 5788. Media can also contact us by e-mail at <u>info@expo2005canada.gc.ca</u>.

# Performing on the Global Common 2 Stage

July 9-10: **Matthew Nuqingaq (1:00 pm)** Matthew Nuqingaq is an Inuit performer and artist from Iqaluit, Nunavut. A singer, drummer and storyteller, Matthew is also well known for his incredible silver jewelry, which will be displayed at the Takashimaya Nagoya department store from July 6-12 as part of the Canada Pavilion's Aboriginal Jewelry Event. Don't miss this unique chance to get to know Nunavut, Canada's newest territory, as Matthew Nuqingaq performs for Expo visitors.

July 12: Ottawa Suzuki Music Students (1:00 pm) Thanks to a cultural exchange, 12 musicians aged 16-17 from Ottawa, Canada's capital, will be in Aichi to perform for Expo audiences. The Suzuki Music students were selected to participate in this initiative through the YMCA's Japan-Canada Youth Exchanges program, funded by the government of Canada. This group of violinists, violists, cellists and flutists play at a high level -- many of the students have even performed with one of Canada's top maestros, Mr. Pinchas Zukerman at the National Arts Centre Orchestra in Ottawa. In choosing the music for their Expo performance, the students kept the theme of "Nature's Wisdom" in mind. Be sure to catch this diverse group of youths who represent not only Canada's rich linguistic and cultural diversity, but also its emerging talent! For more information please visit http://www.suzukimusic.ca/aichi/index.htm.

July 15: **Kamloops Day / Highland Dancers (1:00 pm and 3:00 pm)** Part of the Canada Pavilion's Sister City days, the Kamloops Pipe Band & Dancers from British Columbia will wow Expo audiences with their performance of traditional Scottish dancing and bag piping. Come discover this art form, one of the oldest forms of folk dance, and get a taste of multicultural Canada!

### Visiting this Week in the Manulife VIP Lounge of the Canada Pavilion

#### July 6-12: Cultural Trade/Aboriginal Jewellery Event

Organized by International Trade Canada (ITCan), this event will seek to promote

Aboriginal jewellery and fashion products in Japan by hosting a booth at the Takashimaya Department store in Nagoya where the work of a Canadian aboriginal artist, Matthew Nuqingaq, will be displayed. On July 11, ITCan will also host a meet-and-greet reception at the Canada Pavilion with contacts and buyers in Japan to further promote these products. For more information please visit <u>http://www.itcan-cican.gc.ca/jewl\_promo-en.asp</u>.

#### July 14-15: Kamloops Days

Part of the Canada Pavilion's Sister City days, this two-day event will promote political, business and cultural relationships between the cities of Kamloops, British Columbia and Uji, Kyoto Prefecture. The mayor of Kamloops will visit the Canada Pavilion with a special delegation as part of annual sister-city trip to Japan to participate in a series of meetings, receptions, presentations and pavilion tours. Kamloops Days at the Canada Pavilion on July 14-15 will provide an opportunity to promote tourism, culture and commerce in this beautiful West Coast city. A delegation from Uji will also be present.

# **Special Event**

#### July 13: Temporary Pavilion closing

The Canada Pavilion will be temporarily closed on the morning of Wednesday, July 13 due to an official visit. The pavilion will reopen to the public at approximately 11:30 am.

**Coming next week at the Canada Pavilion:** Learn about Canada's agricultural sector at an event hosted by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; discover the work of France Daigle, award-winning author of short stories from Moncton, New Brunswick.

# For more information, visit the Canada Pavilion Web site at www.expo2005canada.gc.ca

#### Did you know...

Two Canadian companies, Camanagh Technologies and Spheral Solar have won the Expo 2005 100 Eco - Tech awards for their innovations in environmental technologies!