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## This Week at the Canada Pavilion

**This week**: The Canada Pavilion hosts Toronto-based Karen Levine, internationally acclaimed author of *Hana's Suitcase*; Japan Airlines holds a Corporate Day in the Manulife VIP Lounge.

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>.

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

#### August 23: Japan Airlines (JAL) Day

JAL, a partner of the Canada Pavilion at Expo 2005, will be holding a Corporate Day in the Manulife VIP Lounge and Executive Boardroom on August 23rd. Working in collaboration with the Canadian Tourism Commission and British Columbia Tourism, the event will bring tour operators and travel agents from across Aichi to learn more about Canada as a tourist destination. For more information on JAL visit <u>http://www.jal.co.jp/en/</u>.

#### August 25: Karen Levine

The Canada Pavilion hosts Karen Levine, award-winning radio producer and author of the internationally acclaimed children's book *Hana's Suitcase*, as part of Canada's cultural program at Expo 2005. Karen's first book chronicles the true story of Fumiko Ishioka, curator of the Holocaust education centre in Tokyo, in her search for Hana Brady. Following the March 2000 arrival of a suitcase marked with Brady's name, the date of May 16, 1931, and "Waisenkind," the German word for orphan, this tale recounts Ms. Ishioka's efforts to track down the family of the suitcase's 13-year-old owner. The unforgettable bestseller has won more prizes than any other Canadian children's book in the last forty years and has been translated into twenty different languages, including to Japanese by Ms. Ishioka herself. On August 25 from 11 am to 12:30 pm students from Aichi Prefectural Chigusa High School in Nagoya will attend a reading by the author. Ms. Levine will also be reading at 2:30 pm on August 28 at the Sogo Fukushi Kaikan in Sakai City and on August 29 at 9 am (Junior High level) and 10:30 am (Elementary level) at the Canadian Academy in Kobe. For more information on this moving story visit http://www.hanassuitcase.ca.

#### Coming next week at the Canada Pavilion: Catch "Canada's Singing Cowgirl"

Marilyn Faye Parney, an award-winning international recording artist/songwriter/entertainer from Dalmeny, Saskatchewan.

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

#### Did you know...

The Canada Pavilion will surely double its initial objective of 1.5-million visitors over the six-month duration of Expo 2005 – in fact, the 2.5-millionth visitor crossed the pavilion's threshold last week!