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## This Week at the Canada Pavilion

**This week:** The National Film Board of Canada holds an animation workshop for young Japanese and Canadians in the Manulife VIP Lounge; don't miss 14-year-old blues virtuoso from Peterborough, Ontario Jimmy Bowskill; see a performance by composer and flutist Ron Korb from Toronto, Ontario; Manulife hosts a three-day Model UN Forum for university students at the pavilion; enjoy a show featuring Justus, a vibrant performing group from Mississauga, Ontario and learn about this city during Mississauga 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 [info@expo2005canada.gc.ca](mailto:info@expo2005canada.gc.ca).*

### Performing on the Global Common 2 Stage

September 12: **Ron Korb (3:30 pm)**

One of the most highly respected flutists in the world, Ron Korb has travelled around the globe for years collecting and studying indigenous flutes. Reflecting jazz, Chinese, Celtic, and Latin influences, his music embodies the diverse cultures, traditions and experiences of his travels. Ron has composed gold and double platinum selling songs for major Asian artists. Ron Korb mesmerizes his audiences with dynamic performances of beautiful original music and interesting arrangements. Based in Toronto, Ron has performed at such notable venues as Montréal's Monument-National, Madison Square Gardens in New York and Heian Shrine in Kyoto. Don't miss this great Toronto musician at Global Common 2. For more information please visit [www.ronkorb.com](http://www.ronkorb.com).

September 13 (3:30 pm), 14-16 (1:30 pm): **Jimmy Bowskill**

Jimmy Bowskill, 14-year-old blues virtuoso from Peterborough, Ontario, taught himself to play and sing by interpreting by sight and sound but in his own natural style. He burst onto the music scene at the tender age of 11 when he was invited to join Canadian icon Jeff Healey onstage, and he has continued to play with top musicians ever since. Jimmy has taken Canada by storm, touring and performing across the country, notably at the world-renowned Montréal Jazz Festival and the Tremblant Blues Festival. Jimmy's incredible success story has been profiled on several national and regional television programs, and he has already released two albums. His most recent release, "Soap Bars & Dog Ears", has been nominated for a prestigious Juno Award, Canada's top honour in the world of music. What makes Jimmy Bowskill so special as a performer is not only his young age but his incredibly mature soul. Don't miss your chance to see this young performer as he takes the stage at Expo 2005. For more information on Jimmy Bowskill, please visit [www.jimmybowskill.com](http://www.jimmybowskill.com).

September 17: **Mississauga Day/Justus (3:30 pm)**

Justus is one of the most vibrant, enthusiastic performing community groups in the Mississauga area. Founded in 1975, it has flourished under the leadership of music director Gary Clipperton and has the mandate to provide entertainment to the community and promote the enjoyment of music through performance. In addition, Justus has a very active social committee, which organizes and promotes

cabaret nights, dances and other enjoyable events for our members throughout the year. As part of Mississauga Day at the Canada Pavilion, Justus will share their infectious energy and passion for music with Japanese crowds. For more information on Justus, please visit [www.streetsvillemusicorp.ca](http://www.streetsvillemusicorp.ca).

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

### September 11-12: **NFB Animation Workshop and Contest Winner Visit**

The National Film Board of Canada holds an animation workshop for young Japanese and Canadians in the Manulife VIP Lounge. Led by Canadian animator Theodore Ushev (currently making a film at the NFB) and Japanese animator Maya Yonesho, it will enable young participants to share ideas and work together to create an auteur-type animated film on the theme of diversity. The Canada Pavilion is also happy to host Olivier Breton, the young winner of the *In Vivo* competition, which invited participants to make a digital animated film on the theme of diversity and win a week for two at Expo 2005 in Aichi, Japan. Olivier will present his film at the workshop. For more information on the project, go to [www.nfb.ca/aichi](http://www.nfb.ca/aichi).

### September 14-16: **Manulife UN Forum**

This three-day Model United Nations event will be held in the Canada Pavilion's Manulife VIP Lounge and Executive Boardroom, featuring more than 30 university students from 13 countries. The event consists of a series of meetings and presentations on the theme of "Achieving Millennium Development Goals" (MDGs). The MDGs are goals that were adopted by the UN General Assembly in 2000 and are aimed at reducing world poverty and making progress on several other developmental issues by 2015. The event promises to be a wonderful international exchange and learning opportunity for the students, as well as an opportunity to raise awareness in Japan regarding MDGs and the activities of Model United Nations Japan.

### September 17: **Mississauga Day**

As part of the Canada Pavilion's Sister City days, this event will promote political, business and cultural relationships between the cities of Mississauga, Ontario and the City of Kariya, Aichi Prefecture. Hazel McCallion, the mayor of Mississauga 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. Mississauga Day at the Canada Pavilion on September 17 will provide an opportunity to promote tourism, culture and commerce in this 6<sup>th</sup> largest and fastest growing major city in Canada. A delegation from Kariya will also be present.

**Coming next week at the Canada Pavilion:** Don't miss 14-year-old blues virtuoso from Ontario Jimmy Bowskill; catch a performance by Similia, unique flute and guitar duo from Québec; award-winning children's author from Montréal, Bertrand Gauthier, reads in the Manulife VIP Lounge; celebrate the final days of Expo with Canadian rock star Sam Roberts and Jimmy Bowskill at Expo Plaza as well as a special classical concert series at Expo Hall.

**For more information, visit the Canada Pavilion Web site at  
[www.expo2005canada.gc.ca](http://www.expo2005canada.gc.ca)**

### ***Did you know...***

The Canada Pavilion at Expo 2005 welcomed its three-millionth visitor on September 9, which means the pavilion has officially doubled its initial overall objective of 1.5 M visitors before the end of Expo 2005 on September 25, a date that is still several weeks away. The lucky visitor received an all-expenses trip for two to the Northwest Territories (NWT), courtesy of NWT Tourism. NWT is world-renowned for its fantastic Aurora Borealis, or Northern Lights, which is one of the major symbols of Canada's participation in Expo 2005.