



## **CINÉJEUNESSE 2009**

**Starting March 16, Montreal schools to screen  
short films on discrimination**

**Wednesday, March 18 at 10 am at Concordia University  
Cinéjeunesse Spécial Migr@tions  
Five short films by 14 to 16 year olds  
on the theme of immigration**

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Montreal, March 12, 2009 — **Images Interculturelles** presents the latest **Cinéjeunesse**, part of the celebrations surrounding the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary **Action Week Against Racism**. Since 2002, Cinéjeunesse has been presenting short films from Canada, France and Belgium, raising awareness among more than 8,000 elementary and secondary students in Montreal about racism and social exclusion. The initiative points to the tremendous power of the 7<sup>th</sup> art as a tool for information and education, giving young people a voice and showing them they have the power to shape their own future.

### **New thematic workshops offered to Montreal schools throughout the year**

**Starting March 16 and running throughout the year, Cinéjeunesse** will be offering a series of new thematic workshops to elementary and secondary students in the greater Montreal area. The students will watch short- and medium-length films on issues around immigration, cultural diversity, human rights and children's rights, peace, responsible consumerism and sustainable development. Each screening will be followed by a guided discussion.

Sample workshops: ***The difference between you and me is your ship got here 400 years before mine.*** Length: 1.5 hours. Audience: Secondary (1-5) • ***Journey to the immigrant's land*** – Length: 1 hour – Audience: Elementary (6-12 years).

### **Cinéjeunesse Spécial Migr@tions**

Images Interculturelles's partners in the presentation of **Cinéjeunesse Spécial Migr@tions** for the second year in a row are Radio Canada International (RCI), the Quebec Ministère de l'Immigration et des communautés culturelles and the Quebec Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport. Young Quebecers, aged 14 to 17, took part in a 2008 RCI competition on the theme of immigration. Five teams were chosen who then worked with a filmmaking instructor to produce their own films.

The five shorts by the winning teams will be screened with the filmmakers in attendance on **Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 10am at Concordia University** (Alumni Auditorium, Henry F. Hall Building, 1455 de Maisonneuve ouest). Teachers and students will discuss the latest trends in immigration and related issues, and an **Audience Award** will be presented. The activity is open to secondary students and will be hosted by comedian and rapper **Eddy King**.

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