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Intercultural Youth Music and Dance Festival 2019

On **Saturday April 27th** at **Riverdale High School in Pierrefonds**, the Youth Stars will be hosting their second annual **Intercultural Youth Music and Dance Festival**. The festival will focus on **intercultural exchanges** and providing accessibility for youth of all communities who cannot afford to participate in traditional festivals due to overwhelming registration fees.

One lucky winner will have the chance to be interviewed and will perform on the Global morning show on April 29th!!!

The festival is a **family event** open to the public and geared towards youth between the ages of 6 and 20 yrs and will be hosted by media personality **Malik Shaheed**. The festival's main goal is to promote intercultural exchange through **music, theater and dance workshops, panel discussions and a showcase**.

FREE Dance, Theater & Music Workshops

The festival offers free music, theater and dance workshops. **The music workshop** will be held from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm and will focus on **song writing 101**. **The theater workshop** will take place from 1:15 pm to 2:15 pm and **will teach kids how to create exciting stories and fascinating characters using improv**. Next, **the dance workshop** from 3:45 pm to 5:00 pm hosted by internationally known dancer *Tash from Las Vegas*, who will be doing a **“A Hip-Hop Party Dance Workshop” which will teach kids the most popular dance moves**.

FREE Panel Discussion (Open to the public)

The festival will feature a panel discussion at 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm hosted by speakers from visible and non-visible minority groups. The panel will discuss **“What does Quebec need to do to become a more inclusive society”** and **“The impact of interculturalism on dance, music, beauty, fashion and pop culture”**. Tash from Las Vegas will be also discussing **“the social and historical context of American Street Dance, and it's best practices and her life experiences in the dance world”**

Showcase

Finally, the youth will have the opportunity to showcase their own music, dance, rap, singing, theatre, poetry, spoken word, and graphic art pieces to celebrate and showcase interculturalism! **The showcase is free for all participants. Free audience admission for kids under the age of 11 years old. 5\$ for High School students and adults pay 15\$.**

The Youth Stars Foundation is a non-profit organization based out of Montreal, serving a diversely linguistic and cultural youth population. The Youth Dance & Music Festival is our way of bringing Youth and their families of all walks of life together in a celebration of diversity and respect.

For more information on how to register, to become a partner or to sponsor our festival, contact us at (514)-800-9746 or info@youthtstars.org.

Sincerely, Sofia Mayorga

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