

Students' work to be featured at Emancipation Day event

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This coming long weekend, the work of Sheridan students will be featured at the Emancipation Day Family Picnic, an event sponsored by the Oakville Museum commemorating August 1, 1834: the day slavery was abolished throughout the British Empire.

In addition to games, drum circles and other fun activities, the event will feature two exhibitions by Sheridan students. The first is a poster presentation exhibit by students from the General Education elective, Canada in the Making: Understanding Canadian History. The posters cover a wide variety of topics in Canadian Black History, including the Underground Railroad, Black Settlement in Ontario, the War of 1812's Coloured Corps, Black Loyalists, as well as profiles of such notables as Harriet Tubman and Mathieu deCosta. The second exhibition is a gallery of original art work created as the visual component to a research-based creative assignment in the Degree Breadth elective, Anthropology of Music. These creative works are unique interpretations of Jazz that reflect the defining nature of this music as a symbol of human global thought and metaphors for democracy, freedom of expression, and tolerance.

This free, family-friendly event celebrating Oakville's role in the Underground Railroad will be held on Monday, August 3rd from 1-4pm at the Oakville Museum located at 8 Navy Street. For more information, please see <http://www.oakville.ca/museum/programs-events.html> and don't forget to bring a picnic lunch and a lawn chair!