



**Heritage Pavilion Stage**  
presents

*Once A Flame*

**School Tour now booking !**

Dear Educators,

**It's April 10, 1734. The old City of Montreal is burning to the ground. A 29-year old slave woman, Marie Joseph Angelique, stands accused of the deed. This true story is a compelling examination of a strong, independent woman's fight for freedom and respect and tellingly reveals her struggle to achieve her rights as an individual.**

Following a successful 24-school tour in the spring of 2007 and two sold-out public performances, **Heritage Pavilion Stage** of Peterborough is pleased to celebrate **Black History Month** by staging the young audience black history play "**Once A Flame**".

Written by acclaimed black Canadian playwright **Beau Dixon**, of "From Here to Africville", the play documents and brings to life a little known story in the annals of Canadian history. Considered one of the earliest slave narratives in Canada, the play is based on court transcripts which record Marie Joseph's own testimony, and derives its dramatic impact from her relationship with five other characters.



The play will be staged from **February 18-22, and February 25-29, 2008**. Directed by well-known Toronto director Kim Blackwell, this professionally-produced, curriculum-linked, 50-minute history play **is geared to students in Grades 5 to 12**. It is closely linked to the curricula for Grade 7 (New France), Grade 8 (Canada as a changing society), Grade 9 & 10 (diversity in society) and Grade 11 & 12 (injustice and tolerance).

Our rate schedule is intended to accommodate as many students as possible. The **minimum fee** for a performance is **\$500**. The fee includes the 50-minute play, a minimum 15-minute Question and Answer session with the cast, and one classroom study guide with integrated, cross curricular, reproducible activities for students and background information for teachers. Additional background material can be downloaded from the 2006-2007 Season link on our website.

To book a performance, or for further information, email us at [hpstage@gmail.com](mailto:hpstage@gmail.com), or phone us at (705) 876-9065.

**Rate schedule:**

3-4 classes \$500 (minimum fee)  
5-6 classes \$625  
7-8 classes \$875  
9-11 classes \$1125  
12-15 classes \$1300

**Performances**

**February 18-22, 25-29, 2008**  
9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m.  
**- at your school venue.**

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