

EDMONTON CITY HALL 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

International Mother Language Day

February 18, 2006

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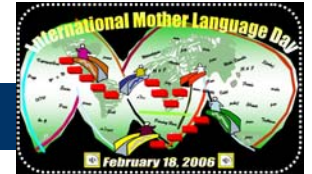
3rd International Mother Language Day

- Saturday, February 18, 2006
- City Hall, Edmonton
- From 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



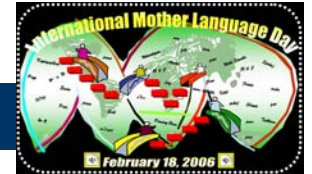
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All IHLA Schools and Mother Language Day



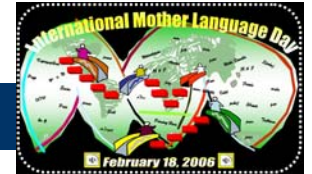
- All IHLA member schools are invited to participate and be actively involved in this event. MLD is an opportunity for all schools to showcase their programs, be visible in the community and demonstrate their educational support to language education in the province.
- In the past two years IHLA has organized this event that has been attended by about 500 people in the community.

How do IHLA schools Participate?



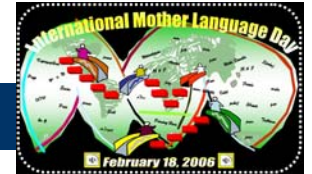
- Register your school for **two tables** that you can use to display your school programs.
- Have your students **write an essay** in the language of your school from the theme of the event and e-mail their essays to IHLA by February 3rd. *All essays will be displayed at the event, on the IHLA website and used in IHLA publications. A special certificate of recognition will also be given to all students in attendance at the event by special guests.*
- Younger Children are invited to **create posters** from the same event theme.

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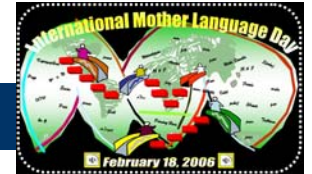
- Schools who wish to be involved in an even more challenging task can **prepare a special skit** on the same theme and will be able to perform the skit during the event.
- IHLA schools who know special **cultural performers** can also contact the IHLA office to contribute their names for a short act during the event.
- **Register your students for the day** (fax or call the IHLA office to tell us how many students in your school will be attending) **and receive a small lunch pack coupon** (free of charge if booked in advance).

Book a Display Table



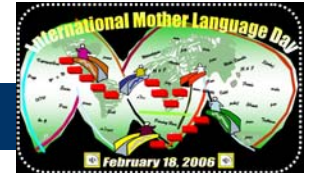
- Tables will be available for bookings – must be set up and cleaned up for the event.
 - Doors open at 9:00 a.m. for set up and the hall must be cleaned between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.
 - Schools can book two tables – by depositing **\$25.00 – FULLY REFUNDED ONCE SCHOOLS ATTEND AND EVENT IS COMPLETED. Bookings must be received by February 3rd, 2006 (form completed and amount deposited at the IHLA office).**
 - Tables can be decorated – no posting option on walls
 - A map will be distributed prior to the event to inform schools of their table location in the hall.
 - All tables will be visited by people participating in the Passport Game.

Passport Game



- Like in 2005 people in attendance will be invited to participate in the **Passport Game**.
- Children and families will be picking up a **special passport** which will contain the names of all displays of schools in attendance.
- The passports are distributed free of charge (one per person). They must be filled with stamps from each school. People are to go to the different tables and displays, participate in small activities organized by the table (questions or small tasks that each school prepares) and receive a stamp from that school.
- Once the passport is fully stamped they return to the reception desk and receive a small gift of their choice.
- This game will run between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Essay Contest

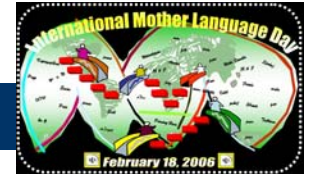


- As each year IHLA school students are invited to demonstrate their linguistic skills by writing a short essay according to the theme of the event, which this year is as follows:

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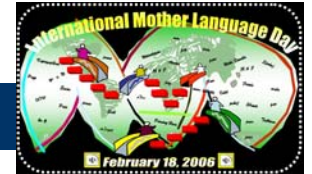
- Essays must be written in the L2 – two pages max – 12 font – double spaced.
- Essays must be also translated in English (approximate translation) and e-mailed to IHLA by **February 3rd** (ihla@telus.net)

Essay Contest



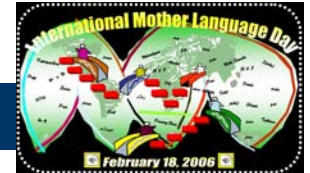
- All essay entries will be acknowledged and will remain property of IHLA – postings will appear on IHLA publications and website.
- All essays will be awarded a certificate that will be handed out by special guests during the event (at about 1:15 p.m.)
- All entries must be accompanied by a signed FOIP Form. The forms are included in this package and can be duplicated.

Poster contest



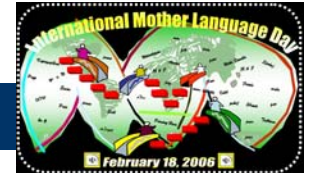
- Earlier grade students can prepare a special poster with the same theme of the essay.
- Poster sizes may vary.
- Posters must be received by IHLA by February 3rd, 2006 (they can be left at the IHLA office).
- Posters may be returned to submitters or remain with IHLA for future reference.
- Pictures of posters will be posted on the website and IHLA publications.
- All Poster contests must be accompanied by a signed FOIP form.

Language Skit



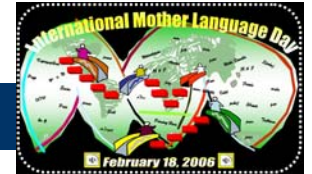
- Schools may choose to participate in the creation and performance of a language skit presentation based on the theme of the event.
- The skit will last no longer than 3 minutes and must represent ways in which language and culture learning and sharing can lower and eliminate racism at all social levels.
- Each skit may have a different title and can be performed in any chosen language.
- All skits will be performed live at the event. (between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m.)
- Skits should not count on great deal of setting requirements on site.
- Schools who choose to perform a skit must register by February 3rd, 2006.

Entertainment Contribution



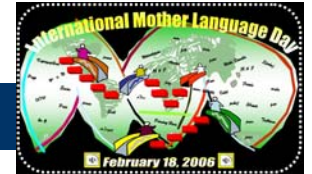
- Schools may want to register their cultural groups for an entertainment act – music, dance, performing arts.
- Each school can present no more than one group for an entertainment act.
- Each act can be no longer than 3 minutes.
- IHLA will have access to a CD player and a sound system.
- All confirmed entertainment acts must be performed on the day – no performances will be improvised at the last moment.
- All acts will be performed on a voluntary basis.
- All performances must be registered with IHLA by February 3rd, 2006.

How can my school register?



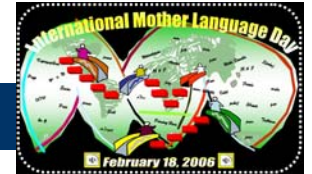
- IHLA expects your school to register in any one of the event parts or in more than one by February 3rd , 2006.
- Call IHLA now and register for your participation.
- Begin advertising the event in your community – let us know of venues and we will contact them to let them know about the event.
- Use the flyer in this package and duplicate it for more publicity.

How to Contact IHLA



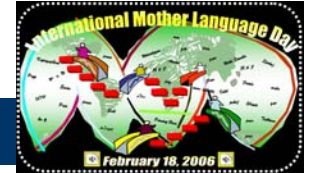
- Call the IHLA office at: 780 – 428-5510
- Fax IHLA at: 780 – 428-5549
- E-mail IHLA at: ihla@telus.net
- Visit the IHLA website: www.nahla.net
- Write IHLA at:
Room 320 - 10010 105 street
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1C4.

Volunteers Needed



- The success of this event depends on the generosity and commitment of all friends and supporters of IHLA. If your school and community can provide volunteers IHLA will be very appreciative of the support.
- Volunteers would simply need to contact the IHLA office and IHLA will schedule a pre-event meeting to arrange all tasks.
- (...IHLA meetings usually are set around good food!....)

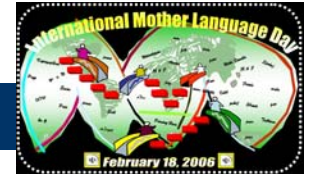
MLD CHEKCLIST



- I have registered my school for the tables (filled in and sent form +\$25.00 refundable cheque).
- I have sent a number of students who will be attending the event to receive light lunch coupons (faxed a list to IHLA).
- I have submitted my students' essays to IHLA (e-mailed the documents and sent/faxed the FOIP forms signed).
- I have submitted my students' posters (and faxed in signed FOIP forms).
- I have submitted a registration form for a language skit from my school.
- I have contacted IHLA for an entertainment contribution.
- I have contacted IHLA for volunteers to help out with the event.

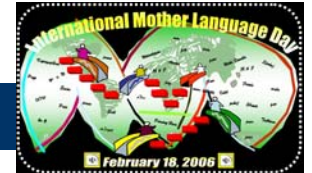
ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST OCCUR BY FEBRUARY 3RD, 2006.

Registration Forms



Use the forms in this package to register your school.

ESSAY CONTEST



I, _____,
administrator of the

_____ school of
Edmonton, wish to register
the following students to the
essay contest for the
International Mother
Language Day 2006.

STUDENTS:

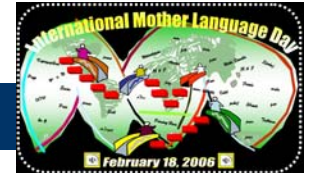
Full name

Date

Signature

Fax to IHLA by February 3rd 2006.

POSTER CONTEST



I, _____,
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_____ school of
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STUDENTS:

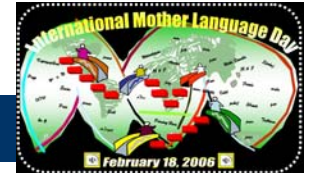
Full name

Date

Signature

Fax to IHLA by February 3rd 2006.

LANGUAGE SKIT



I, _____,
administrator of the

_____ school of
Edmonton, wish to register
the following students for the
language skit performance
for the International Mother
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STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE SKIT

Full name

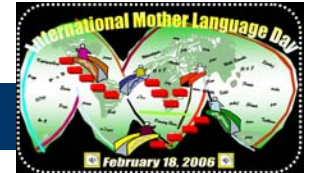
Date

Signature

Skit title: _____

Fax to IHLA by February 3rd 2006.

DISPLAY TABLE



I, _____,
administrator of the

_____ school of
Edmonton, wish to receive
two display tables for my
school for the International
Mother Language Day 2006.

Date

Signature

I include the refundable amount of \$25.00 to confirm my registration. I understand that the amount will be refunded by IHLA after the event as long as my school comes as planned and takes care of the set up and clean up of the table as described in the School Information Handout.

Fax to IHLA by February 3rd 2006.

Make sure you register as soon as possible! Do not miss this opportunity!



Everyone at IHLA hopes to see you participate in this event!

We look forward to seeing you on February 18, 2006 at City Hall!