

# THROUGH OUR EYES FILM CLUB

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Elia Middle School has been offering an exceptional film education programme called **Through Our Eyes Film Club**, a pilot program that offers students hands-on experience to learn about the filmmaking process and also make seven short films. Through the program students will be able to write, produce and direct their own short films that share stories as seen from their perspective. Award-winning Toronto based filmmakers Sudz Sutherland and Jennifer Holness (Doomstown), are spear-heading this initiative based on their interest to inspire youth to experience the world of filmmaking.

### **THE PROCESS**

On a weekly basis the students have been exposed to top industry professionals in all the 'key' areas of film production including directing, writing, producing, cinematography, music composition, editing, hair and make-up, wardrobe, acting and special effects/animation. Using this knowledge they will then be guided towards successfully completing seven one minute 'mobisode' short films.

### **THE FILM SHOOT**

On June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, between the hours of 10am-7pm, the students will be shooting their short films. They will need the following assistance to ensure a successful shoot:

- film crew volunteers
- minivans and cars for transportation (for whole day or to run errands)
- Adult supervisors

The film shoots will be supervised and coordinated under the direction of Mark Caine, Shakura S'Aida Schmed, Suds Sutherland, and Jennifer Holness.

Completed films will be premiered at the Innoversity Creative Summit at a gala event in September 2006. Selected films will also be entered in children's film festivals worldwide. It is our hope that 'Through Our Eyes Film Club', will provide our youth with the inspiration and motivation to discover their artistic talents and nurture the growth of aspiring young filmmakers.

If you like to volunteer to assist with the film shoot, or if you have any questions about this film initiative, please contact Shakura S'Aida Schmed, Through Our Eyes Facilitator at 416.828.9578 or by email at [shakura@innoversity.com](mailto:shakura@innoversity.com).

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