## Moncton High students produce award winning video

Lights, camera, action! Five Moncton High School students have won a national video competition with a one-and-a-half minute film about anti-racism.

Joey Sadler, Sean Coates, Marsha Sutherland, Marc Jolicoeur, and Runa Das wrote, directed and produced the video and are now in Vancouver for the awards ceremony. They also had some free time to tour the city.

"We're having a really awesome time," said Coates in a phone interview, "we're in Chinatown right now and it's raining."

The five students won the trip to Vancouver as part of their prize. Also, their video will be shown on national television as a commercial for tolerance and anti-racism. As part of the prize, Moncton High School will receive a video camera and a monitor.



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Great Big Sea and other bands will play a the awards ceremony, and Prince Charles — who is in town skiing with his two sons — will present them with their award.

. All MHS students would like to

congratulate Joey, Sean, Marsha, Marc, and Runa on their success.

March 21 was the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, and students gathered in the auditorium on Friday to observe this event.

As a special assembly organized by Sunderland and Das, MHS students were given the opportunity to become involved in the fight against racism.

There were many audio-visual presentations. Students watched the award-winning film, and also viewed Michael Jackson's Black or White music video. Also, during the playing of O Canada, students were met with many scenes that depicted the diversity of our population. A slide show to the song Why Can't We Be Friends was also shown.

Students were also fortunate to hear from guest speaker, Skip Talbot, from MAGMA. They were presented with the negative views other students in Greater Moncton have about racism.

Instead of traditionally singing the school song at the end of the assembly, students were invited to stand and sing Susan Aglukark's O Siem, which emphasizes that we're all family, even though we are different.

On a less serious note, Anti-Groping Week was a huge success! The groping police were in full force, and public displays of affection were definitely down in number. Many students participated in last week's activities, and everyone got a little more green.

The Electric Circus Theme Dance was also well attended. Thanks to the hard work of Mr. McArdle, Melissa Melanson, and other students, the scene was one full of energy and awesome decorations.

Yesterday, students assembled in the auditorium for the annual Grad Slave Auction. Approximately 10 groups of students offered their services to the highest bidder. One group of grads—Ricky Cormier, Andrew Nelson, and Jordan Lampert raised \$200 thanks to their antics. Also, the Spice Girls made an appearance and raised \$80.

The event, organized by Grad Class President Andrew MacDonald, raised about \$350 for the graduating class of 1998.

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