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## SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS SHINES AGAIN ON TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND ARTISTS AT THE PALAIS DES CONGRÈS Inspired teachers inspiring students!

We are pleased to announce that the 6th annual *Spotlight on the Arts* will take place on November 28th. This exceptional event brings together teachers from all over the province, as it uniquely addresses the needs of Visual Arts, Music, Dance and Drama educators in the Quebec Anglophone sector. The Spotlight provides an exciting opportunity for teachers, students, and artists to work side by side throughout a day of learning, sharing and creating together.

Keynote speaker, Hannah Beach, author of the *I Can Dance* books, will speak about look at the ways the arts, when woven into a classroom culture, enable connection, inclusion and growth, both for individuals as well as collectively. The workshops for teachers will provide hand-on explorations in all four art disciplines, and will be led by Hannah Beach, Jessica Abdallah of Geordie Productions, the Educational Programs team of the Canadian Centre for Architecture and David Eves, M.A. Curriculum and Instruction Music Education, University of Victoria. Other planned activities include a gallery walk, and a Round Table discussion entitled, *Authenticity in the Arts: Making Students Part of the Equation*.

Student participants will work with the artist group ArtUnion to paint and collage a collaborative mural, while other students will participate in a day of improvisation, storytelling and narration facilitated by acclaimed poet, Jason Selman.

The *Spotlight on the Arts* promises again to be a vibrant, hands-on, inspiring Arts experience for all participants!

The *Spotlight on the Arts* is organized yearly by MAD2. MAD2 is composed of Arts consultants and advisors from the nine English School Boards, with the participation LEARN. Its goal is to increase awareness of the importance of the four Arts – Music, Art, Drama and Dance – as well as to foster expertise in Arts Education. Its members believe that inspired art teachers inspire students to reach new heights of self-expression and self-awareness, creating true life-long learners.

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For more information and to see the full program of the event, visit (insert website URL here).