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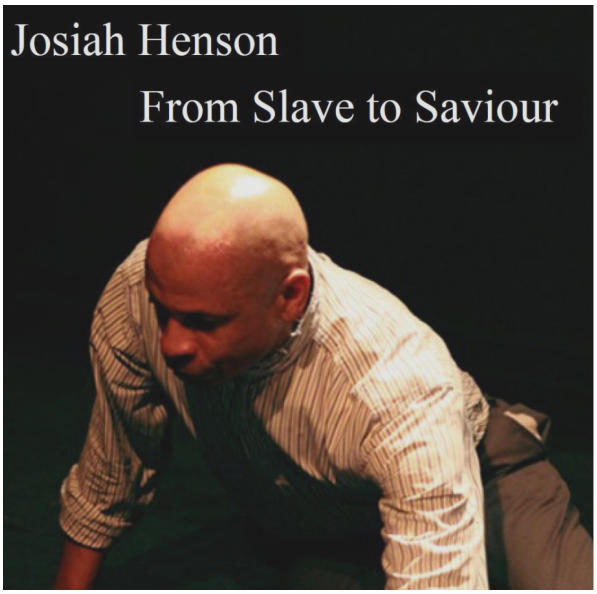
World Premiere to Benefit LLF

Josiah Henson - From Slave to Saviour is an epic tale of courage and bravery in the face of unimaginable trials. This original play, written and directed by Charles Robertson, tells the improbable story of Josiah Henson – a dynamic, driven man with exceptional intelligence and unyielding principles, who overcame incredible odds to escape from slavery and improve the lives of hundreds of freedmen through his long life.



A Triumphant Life Story

Rosemary Sadlier, past president of the Ontario Black History Society, says, "This creative play, relying on the superb acting of Cassel Miles, his dancing, movement and incredible voice work, makes it easy to begin to feel that you do know who Henson was and what motivated him." The collaboration between Robertson and Miles brings to life a story that should not be forgotten.

The LLF will receive $10 from each ticket sold when the promo code 'LLF' is used to purchase tickets online or by phone. Tickets are on sale now for the one-night only performance October 23 at the Grand Theatre.

Josiah Henson - From Slave to Saviour

Wednesday, October 23
7:30 pm
Grand Theatre

Written & Directed by
Charles Robertson

Starring
Cassel Miles

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218 Princess Street

Use the promo code "LLF" and $10 will be donated to the Foundation.

Projects

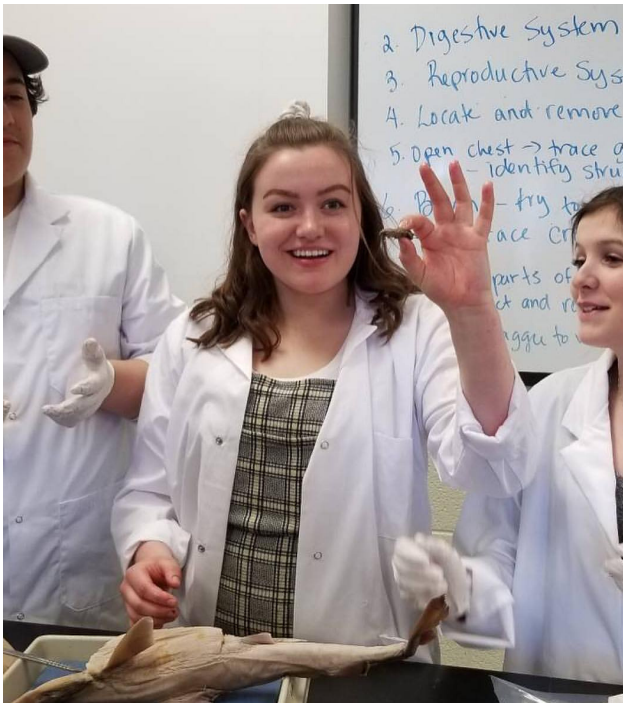
Sustainability ~ Mentorship ~ Pay-it-Forward

Napanee District Secondary School
NASA (Napanee Academic Science Association)

The NASA mentorship program at Napanee District Secondary School fosters confidence and learning in math and sciences through a variety of workshops and one-on-one activities. The NASA mentors, who are senior science students, participate in a number of Queen's University and Loyalist College science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) outreach events, and then share their new learning with the Grade 9s as well as Grades 7 and 8 students from feeder schools.

microscope carving contest winner

The Foundation partnered with Enbridge / Union Gas to fund this project.



shark dissection

Student to boldly go where no program has gone before - GREC student turns project into business

Ryleigh Rioux, a Grade 12 student at Granite Ridge Education Centre in Sharbot Lake, turned her knowledge about drone mapping into a summer business. For the past two years, Ryleigh has been participating in the school's Above and Beyond drone program, originally funded by the Anna & Edward C. Churchill Foundation in 2016.

Ryleigh completed her drone pilot licence this spring and mapped Malcolm and Ardoch Lakes thanks to a grant from North Frontenac Township. Ryleigh said planning was perhaps the biggest part of her job. "Flying over water and collecting video data is difficult because of the reflection and refraction," she said. "I'll be controlling the take off and landing of the drone but the computer does much of in-flight deployment."

From the Chair

A new school year always brings with it the promise of a fresh start, and this is true for the Limestone Learning Foundation too.

Our Board will embark on a new strategic planning process this fall, seeking input from various stakeholders on developing a long-term plan to ensure the Foundation is accountable, equitable and sustainable. This plan will be the blueprint for enhancing learning opportunities for every student of the Limestone District School Board both now and into the future.

The LLF will be collaborating with Queen's University and Smith Business Consulting, a student-run management-consulting firm, on this important work. To that end, the Board will be suspending its usual fall grants to review the diversity of initiatives that will best serve both students and educators.

It is a privilege to recognize the service of outgoing board member John Kerslake. From 2013-2019, John served the Foundation in many capacities, but his specialty was working with project applications. His astute comments and investigative questions brought to light the promised results of each funded project helping to fulfill the Foundation's mission. Thank you, John, for your time, ensuring funds were allocated wisely, and for the rich experience you brought to the table.

Your donations to the Foundation, directly and indirectly, will continue to help make *Learning Come Alive*.

Thank you,

Katherine C. Leverette

Thank You CFKA

The Community Foundation for Kingston & Area is an important funding partner of the Foundation, and we greatly appreciate the many contributions invested in LLF projects.

Community Foundation for Kingston & Area

Lake Effects Robotics will be introducing the FIRST LEGO League to elementary students this fall thanks in part to a CFKA grant totalling $14, 870. This mentorship program incorporates elements of the arts, literacy, numeracy, and technology. Students develop critical thinking and team-building skills, basic applications in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), and even presentation skills. Teams research a real-world problem such as food safety, recycling, energy, etc. and then are challenged to develop a solution.

Student Meghan Wartman and teacher Don Wartman accepting cheque at CFKA Grants Celebration in May 2019

Team 2708 Lake Effect Robotics is a member of FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), an international organization founded to inspire young people to pursue a field in engineering. The Foundation is extremely proud of the accomplishments of these dedicated students and community members, many of whom were once students of this team.

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Save the Date!

We hope to see you next year
at our 22nd annual golf tournament
Thursday, June 4, 2020

We are pleased to report that this year we raised $60,000 net funds.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this happen!

Planned Giving

You don't have to be wealthy to give a planned gift

A financial gift of any size can change the lives of students and the school community for the better.

Public education is the cornerstone of our democracy. Your support of the Limestone Learning Foundation is an investment in a students' bright future.

Integrating charitable giving into your estate plan can help your legacy live on through the power of learning. Many people are not aware of the benefits of charitable giving through wills. The Canadian income tax system encourages gifts to charities by granting tax credits to individual donors. A small monthly or annual payment, which is tax receipted as a charitable donation, can be of great benefit to Foundation projects.

When you join planned giving through the LLF, student learning comes alive, and its impact lasts for generations.

I would like to make a donation to help provide more creative learning opportunities.

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