The monthly electronic newsletter for members of CITT/ICTS



The newly-formed Québec Section of CITT/ICTS held its first meeting December 11, 2003 in Montreal. Les membres du conseil d'administration du Centre québecois de l'Institut canadien des technologies scénographiques: Eric Mongerson, Monique Corbeil, Ron Morissette, Norberts Muncs and Gilles Benoist.

CITT Awards Nomination Deadline Approaching

VP Internal Heather Kent reminds members that the deadline is fast approaching to nominate deserving people for the annual CITT Awards, to be presented at this summer's Rendevous 2004 conference in Montréal, The nomination of candidates for the CITT/ICTS awards is driven directly by the membership and this is your opportunity to recognize excellence within our industry, the work of a mentor, colleague or someone whose work you admire. The deadline for nominations is March 15th, but please don't feel you have to wait until then.

Please take some time now to visit the CITT/ICTS website at www.citt.org to review the criteria for each Award and the nomination process. If any person, production, business or organization comes to your mind when considering the criteria, please nominate them soon. Your participation in this process is crucial to providing one of the services that makes CITT/ICTS a successful organization.

ESTA's Entertainment Technician Certification Program

CITT, along with USITT, IATSE, the International Association of Assembly Managers (IAAM) and the Themed Entertainment Association (TEA), is working with ESTA in the development of their new industry-wide Entertainment Technician Certification Program. When established, ETCP will be a voluntary personal certification process which will grant recognition to individuals whose abilities, skills and knowledge meet demonstrable standards. The program will develop exams to test identified bodies of knowledge, administer the exams, award certifications, and re-certify individuals on a regular basis. The Certification Council, ETCP's governing body, has established working groups to develop certification in two areas, electrical and rigging skills. The Working Groups are made up of experts in their areas and membership is open to any qualified person. For the latest ETCP news, check the ETCP web site.

Ian Pratt new star in **BC Entertainment Hall of Fame**

Ian Pratt has been inducted into the BC Entertainment Hall of Fame, which recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the Performing Arts and Entertainment in BC, Canada and internationally. In addition to the acclaim of his peers and colleagues, lan gets his own plaque on Granville's Theatre Row in Vancouver. Congratulations, lan! Continued on Page 2

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CITT / ICTS Section

News





What's happening out west? There's always lots of Sectional programming going on in BC and Alberta, but the news doesn't always make it back East. Rumours of an Alberta Section newsletter have reached your editor's ears, and he'd be glad to get put on the mailing list so upcoming events can be listed here in the future. wulf@citt.org

And could someone send me a better quality BC Section logo?



CITT Ontario has a new mailing address: c/o Theatre Erindale 3359 Mississauga Rd. N. Mississauga, ON L5L 1C6

This year's Corporate Showcase at the MacMillan Theatre was a sold-out success. Thanks again to Fourth Phase for the complimentary bar, and to all the other corporate members who showed off their new products to a very enthusiastic crowd.

The Student Job Fair on January 16 was also a success, thanks to the students and employers who braved the ing, Studio 313. Admission is free, and foul weather to attend.

We're planning a Fall Arrest training workshop for mid-February. If you're interested in attending, let us know whether you prefer Sunday, February 15th or Monday the 16th. Cost for the day will be around \$300 to \$350. Call 905-828-3990 or visit our section

The third annual Props Suppliers Showcase is going to be held March 1st at Dancemakers new studio in Toronto's Distillery Historic District. Thanks to Aimée Frost for the hard work she's putting into organizing it. 7:30 to 10:00 pm in the Cannery Buildas always there are door prizes.

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Le conseil d'administration s'est réuni à Montréal le 11 décembre dernier. Bienvenue à CITT / ICTS!

Upcoming Events

Nomination Deadline for Dean Ott & Debbie Boult Theatre Ontario Award February 2

www.theatreontario.org

February Freeze - Cinequip White's Industry Tradeshow February 10 Toronto www.cinequipwhite.com

Ontario Section Fall Arrest Protection Training Location TBA February 15 or 16 www.citt.org/ontario/sect_ont.htm

En Coulisse - the Solotech Dealers and Suppliers Trade Show February 18-19 Montréal

www.encoulisse.com

Ontario Section Props Supplier Showcase March 1 Toronto www.citt.org/ontario/sect_ont.htm

SMArts Stage Management Conference March 12-15 **Toronto** www.equityshowcasetheatre.com

Nomination Deadline for CITT Awards March 15

www.citt.org

New Members

CITT / ICTS welcomes the following new members:

Algonquin College Arden Theatre Alan Brodie CCI-Ontario Presenters Network Ben Chaisson Angela Dale Kris Dietrich E. A. Rawlinson Centre for the Arts Ian Hendrick

Alexis How Invisible Rival Les Industries Show Canada Industries Inc McMaster University Linsy Rotar Rose Marie Thomas Vancouver East Cultural Centre

Member News



Congratulations to William Sovie and Ricardo Rodriguez, who were married in Toronto on December 12. William and Ricardo had originally hoped to have the Governor General perform the service, but Rideau Hall happened to be booked that day, so they settled for Toronto City Hall instead. William spent his honeymoon in the Canadian Stage Co. prop shop.

Got News?

As Stageworks-e lurches towards regular monthly production, it becomes more important to get timely information to the editor for inclusion. Take advantage of this opportunity to publicize corporate member's special sales or sponsored events, section meetings, workshops and other offerings to members, and any other conferences or occurrences that might be of interest to CITT / ICTS members. Also, let the rest of us know what you're up to: new jobs, babies, marriages and other news of members' lives are always worth knowing about.

This monthly PDF newsletter will contain up-to-date news and announcements, while the quarterly printed StageWorks will contain articles of more lasting interest. Submissions for both are welcomed, and can be made to the editor or to the National Office.

Corporate News

February is industry trade show month, starting in Toronto with Cinequip White's February Freeze -- The tradeshow for industry by industry.

Over forty video, audio and lighting suppliers from across the continent showing the HOTTEST new technology for broadcast, production and theatre. Seminars on Panasonic HD and P2 and other informative topics. In the market for used equipment? Check out the best ever CICA / CSC Flea Market! Tuesday, February 10 from 2 pm to 9 pm. at Cinequip White's Toronto facility, 1040 Islington Avenue. Call 416-467-7700 or go to www.cinequipwhite.com for more info.

Then the following week it's the 6th edition of Solotech's En Coulisse, which follows the constant evolution of multimedia and provides leading-edge information in the performing arts, architecture, museums and conference facilities. A series of free seminars led by professionals rounds out the information offered to visitors. Wednesday, February 18 and Thursday, February 19, 10 am to 6 pm at the Palais des congrès, Montréal. For information, call tollfree 800-361-7721or go to www.encoulisse.com