

Media Advisory



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Georges Vanier students create art for Tasmania

Students at **Georges Vanier Catholic School (820 Wilson Cres.)**, inspired by the work of Saskatchewan artists, have created masterpieces that tell a story about our province in recognition of our centennial. The artwork is being packed up on **Wednesday, June 15 in the morning** to be sent to Australia.

The students have also created a special website to share their centennial project with others—including a classroom in Australia. Many of the school's projects will be sent down under to Tasmania, Australia and there are more international opportunities on the horizon. The entire project was made possible through funding from The Saskatoon Foundation Arts Smarts Grants.

Students have also created a drama production, *100 Years of Saskatchewan Weather* and a dance production, *Saskatchewan Wind*. Both productions were filmed and digitally edited by students and are now on DVD. The DVD will also be sent to Australia.

Artist and art instructor Monique Martin wanted to get Saskatchewan art out there for the world to see. She has accomplished her mission and has given students an important lesson about their province. Monique also created a teacher resource book detailing the visual arts lessons taught during the Saskatchewan Centennial Project. The resource focuses on 10 Saskatchewan artists with two or more art activities created for each. The resource book will be given to each school division in the province in October.

<http://www.scs.sk.ca/van/Saskatchewan%20Centennial%20Project.html>

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