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## Local theatres engage with National Canadian Film Day

By Gordon Lambie

Tomorrow, April 19, Canada will be host to the world's biggest single-day film festival as theatres, schools, and organizations across the country help to host National Canadian Film Day 150. Organized as a part of the many different celebrations surrounding the country's 150th anniversary, the nationwide cinema extravaganza is meant to help highlight the significance of Canadian film.

The festival has over 1700 events planned from coast to coast as well as on-line streaming and network broadcast options available for people interested in exploring the world of Canadian cinema but not interested or able to leave their own homes.

Local events have been planned by National Canadian Film Day 150 partner Québec Cinéma and will be hosted at La Maison du cinéma in Sherbrooke, the Espace Culturel de Magog, the Weedon cultural centre, the St John cultural centre in Bromont, and the Mansonville town hall, with private events also having been scheduled at a number of local high schools. The programming prepared by Québec Cinéma is, not surprisingly, in French, although some of the screenings will feature English films with French subtitles or French films with English subtitles.

"Through our cinema we tell our stories, explore our cultural landscape and express our identities," said Ségolène Roederer, executive director of Québec

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## Hippity hoppity fun at the Easter Egg Hunt in Mansonville



MABLE HASTINGS

The Easter Bunny and Potton Mayor, Louis Veillon joined some of the kids gathered for the Easter Hunt on Saturday in Potton

By Mable Hastings

On Saturday, April 15 the Mis-sisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CAB) youth program held an Easter egg hunt for members of its Boys and Girls group in the common area in the center of town where a joyous group of children and adults gathered for the event.

"I had seen this type of event elsewhere," explained CAB Youth and Volunteer Coordinator, Sarah Jersey. "I was inspired to do the same type of thing on

a smaller scale for the groups that I animate alongside my co-worker, Eleanor Cote at the Centre each week," she explained.

While the event was aimed at youth from the boys and girls groups for kids ages 5-12, no youth were turned away and all were welcomed to join in the search. Thanks to the imagination of Fiona Campbell, the Easter Bunny was in attendance with a basketful of chocolate and some very large carrots to distribute amongst the smiling faces.

The event included an egg hunt with

over a thousand eggs donated by the Tigre Geant store in Cowansville. This donation really made the event possible and organizers were quick to salute the folk at Tigre Geant for their kindness in helping with children's events. There was free coffee for the adults provided by Virgin Hill Coffee which was delicious and plentiful; a much appreciated offering for parents out with their little ones on a Saturday morning. Epicerie Jacques Ducharme (Marche Richelieu)

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