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Montréal's First American Sign Language Theatre

About Seeing Voices Montréal

Seeing Voices Montréal (SVM) raises Deaf awareness through the beautiful mixture of American Sign Language (ASL) and theatre. Our vision is to close the gap between the hearing and Deaf world, with the use of theatre as a common medium. To achieve this, we adapt and perform plays of well-known children's stories which can be understood by both audiences.

ASL is one of two sign languages used in Montréal, the other one being Quebec Sign Language used by the Deaf Francophone community.

For immediate release

SVM is proud to announce that its first production *Deaf Snow White* will be performed at Players' Theatre at McGill University from March 13 to 15, 2014. Rehearsals will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings starting November 9, 2013 at McGill University.

The production's playwright and director is Jack Volpe, a Montreal-native who was born Deaf. He will be assisted by *Le Trunk Collectif* artistic director Lynne Cooper.

The play will raise issues Deaf people face in a hearing world through the adaptation of the well-known story of Snow White.

The cast and crew include Deaf and hearing members; American Sign Language users and Quebec Sign Language users; anglophones and francophones. Both spoken English and ASL will be used in the play.

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