Enjoy performances tonight by:



Ace Burpee

Ace is the most recognized voice on Virgin 103.1, Winnipeg's number one hit music station. A passionate connector and leader, Ace is extensively involved in community events in Manitoba. We are thrilled to welcome him back for a hat-trick performance as emcee for our 17th annual YHA night.



Mimoza Duot

This incredibly talented singer from Sisler High School was a finalist in YTV's The Next Star and performed in The Next Star: Supergroup. She has played high profile gigs in Manitoba including her own "An Evening with Mimoza" in which she raised over \$4,000 for victims of typhoon Yolanda. Mimoza has scored a deal with a management company out of Toronto and is currently working on finishing her album.



Dane Bjornson

Fourteen-year-old singer and songwriter Dane Bjornson released his debut EP, "Lucky Day" in the fall of 2012. He has been performing on many acting and musical stages around Winnipeg. Recently, Dane appeared on YTV's Next Star and Next Star: Supergroup. He was also named one of Ace Burpee's most fascinating Manitobans of 2011.



Paige Prescott

This gifted 15-year-old has been performing in talent shows and musicals since she was 10. Paige has been featured on YTV's The Next Star, and has recently started to showcase her folksy musical stylings on her own YouTube channel. You're going to love "Let her go", her duet with Dane Bjornson.



Exclusive

There's no end of talent in this dynamic group of dancers from St. John's High School. Under the guidance of their teacher Romeo Suban, Exclusive delivers energetic, awe-inspiring performances. They were a knockout onstage at We Day 2011 and we are thrilled to have them perform for us.



In the Heights

Every soaring note you'll hear from this group tonight is pure a cappella. Teacher Avonlea Armstrong directs this powerful 12-member group from Collège Sturgeon Heights Collegiate. We are so fortunate to have them on our stage.

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Greetings from the Emcee

Ace Burpee – Virgin 103.1

Student Greetings

Adefikunola Adetoro, 2013 YHA Winner, Fort Richmond Collegiate

"O Canada"

Tayman Turner, École Neil Campbell School

"Like That"

St. John's High School Dancers "Exclusive"

MTS Greetings

Paul Olson, President, The Manitoba Teachers' Society

Chairperson's Remarks

Beatrice Walker, YHA Committee Chair, MTS Executive Member

YHA Individual Award

Presented to Avery Skog, Morris School, Morris Introduced by Melissa Beer, School Division Staff

YHA Individual Award

Presented to Clare Dodds, École River Heights School, Winnipeg Introduced by Sheila Kellington, Friend

YHA Individual Award

Presented to Loizza Aquino, Henry G. Izatt Middle School Introduced by Brandi Nicholauson, Teacher

YHA Individual Award

Presented to Raelee Fehr, Roseau Valley School, Dominion City Introduced by Meaghan O'Hare, Teacher

"Let Her Go" by Passenger

Dane Bjornson and Paige Prescott

"Held" by Natalie Grant

Mimoza Duot

YHA Group Award

Presented to Team Paige and Friends, Beaumont School Introduced by Nina Logan, Teacher

"Butterfly" by Mia Makaroff

"Fireflies" - by Owl City, arranged by Suba Sankaran In the Heights, Collège Sturgeon Heights Collegiate

Join us for a reception In the Fairmont Winnipeg lobby after the show!



Benevolent, bright and bold

The 17th Annual Young Humanitarian Awards

We honour Manitoba public school students whose acts of compassion and caring inspire and encourage us to do the same.

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Meet the 2014 Young Humanitarian Award Winners



Avery Skog

With a YouTube video and an ambitious plan to build a school in a developing country, Morris School's Avery Skog launched his Brick by Brick campaign. The Grade 4 student's goal? To sell 500 paper bricks at \$20 each. "It's just not fair" he says, "that so many kids can't go to school". Avery bought the first two bricks with his own money, then partnered with another school group to launch a fundraiser called "a week of change." He has spent many hours sending emails, preparing talks and mobilizing the community to promote his cause. "At first, I wasn't confident I could make it," says Avery. Recently, he reached his goal of \$10,000.



Clare Dodds

Nurturing and connecting are Clare's strong suits. Whether it's packing school kits for war-affected kids in Syria, or serving meals at Siloam Mission, the Grade 7 student at École River Heights School genuinely enjoys school and community service. She is an integral part of the Butterfly Effect Club at her school and is deeply aware of the effects of poverty and marginalization, and how kids are affected by world crisis. Clare loves to see people smile and doesn't hesitate to speak up for the less fortunate.



Loizza Aquino

Loizza has an educated heart and some mad digital skills. As a Grade 9 student at Henry G. Izatt Middle School, she spearheaded a \$4,000 fundraising effort for a school building in Kenya, worked to raise funds for 2010 and 2013 victims of typhoons in the Philippines, and distributed Day of Pink t-shirts to Grade 4 students as a welcome to her middle school. She films and posts videos encouraging young people to talk about issues they face - and she encourages everyone to speak up for what's right. A promoter of good digital citizenship, Loizza was granted a meeting with Education Minister James Allum to propose a student advocacy group on technology use in Manitoba schools.



Raelee Fehr

A humble soon-to-be graduate of Roseau Valley School, Raelee is passionate about mental health. "Students with mental health issues need safe spaces," she says, "places where they can get resources and not be judged." Raelee coordinated the school's Out of the Blue mental health campaign for the last two years. She's also done humanitarian work in Ecuador, raising money herself through an after-school position as a cashier, odd jobs and various fundraisers. This August, Raelee heads to Nicaragua.



Team Paige and Friends

Emotions are close to the surface when young Paige Andrusko, Kyle Mingotti, Hope Croatto and Juliana Marucci talk about their motivations for raising money for cancer research. They don't want anyone to get cancer. Grade 4 students at Beaumont School, Team Paige and Friends threw themselves into an awesome Movember campaign, making and selling colourful mustaches at lunch and raising \$1,757.

Who have they helped?

Here are just some of the people, programs and organizations that benefitted from the work of this year's Young Humanitarian Award recipients.

- Students struggling with mental health issues
- Manitoba's homeless
- School children in Kenya
- Philippine victims of typhoons
- Prostate cancer research
- War-affected school children in Syria
- Out of the Blue campaign outoftheblue-jasonsdesblues.ca/en/
- Me to We metowe.com
- Movember ca.movember.com
- Day of Pink Campaign dayofpink.org
- Siloam Mission Siloam.ca
- Lunches with Love facebook.com/luncheswithlovewinnipeg

The Manitoba Teachers' Society wants your feedback!

What did you think of the 2014 Young Humanitarian Awards?

We would love to know what you thought of tonight's event. If you have any suggestions or comments, please share them with us via email at **yha@mbteach.org** or using Facebook or Twitter:



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You can learn more about the annual Young Humanitarian Awards at www.mbteach.org/YHA/yha/html

Know anyone who should be nominated in 2015?