OTTAWA BLUESFEST

Blues in the Schools

AN ANNUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM CREATED TO PROMOTE, PRESERVE AND PERPETUATE THE ART, CULTURE AND HERITAGE OF BLUES MUSIC

The Ottawa Bluesfest Blues in the Schools program offers a unique and inspiring opportunity for students of all ages to draw on the energy and experience of award-winning musicians through presentation workshops and hands-on instructional techniques.

"The kids are hungry for this. The beauty is that it is cross culture and enhances the curriculum on so many levels, with history and economics as well as the music."

Doug Tateishi, Superintendent, York District School Board

"I've never seen anything like that program anywhere here in the U.S., an organization that devotes two entire weeks to Blues in the schools. It's an incredible commitment for the students and an incredible experience for the artists."

Mary Flowers, Performer, Boulder Colorado

"This was my first year with the Blues in the Schools and I can't believe I didn't check it out earlier. It was a lot of fun and it's really great to hear all young musicians come together."

Allison Young, Student

Program Goals

- Use music to promote acceptance and to provide this opportunity to students regardless of their race, gender, or ability to afford such a program
- To promote the use of music in other areas of education including art, history, geography and creative writing
- To develop core classes into performing groups and to showcase their talent and expose them to a larger audience

Program Specifics

- To provide a two-week residency in Ottawa-area schools
- Phase 1: Assembly-style Presentations
- Phase 2: Core Group Learning Sessions
- Since its inception, Blues in the Schools has engaged tens of thousands of Ottawa-area students, from kindergarten through high school!

Fees:

Contact us for more information

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