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Lockview Public School Playwrights Are a Hit

What began as a creative writing exercise for Intermediate students at Lockview Public School became an introduction to the wonderful world of playwriting. Students in Ms. Ford's English class wrote one minute plays, which were submitted to Lyndesfarne Theatre Projects' One Minute Play Competition for the James Street Reading Festival.

Eight student playwrights were honoured with a performance of their work, including Case Newman and Jamie Miotto, "The Legend of Old Man Jenkins", Devin Ascott and Blake Wieler, "Lost in the Sahara", Sylvester Campanella and Matthew Kornelsen, "The Real Mushroom Kingdom" and Brad Dean's and Jesse Dunits, "The Man Who Dated a Carrot".

Kelly Daniels, director of Lyndesfarne Theatre Projects, was so impressed with the quality of the students' work that she visited Lockview Public School's Good News Assembly on October 1 to present Dean and Dunits with an Honourable Mention for their work, remarking that, it "stood out for its originality, humour, and unpredictable ending." Daniels, along with her husband and Shaw Festival actor Ric Reid, also performed "The Man Who Dated a Carrot" to the thoroughly entertained students and staff.

Principal Candy McMillian said of the Intermediate student playwrights, "All the students are to be congratulated for their work writing their plays."

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