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Sioux Lookout youth to perform play for community

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THE Sioux Lookout A n t i - R a c i s m Committee has announced the premiere of *Bounce*, a play created by Sioux Lookout youth about racial tensions.

The play will be performed for the community at Queen Elizabeth High School December 3 at 7 p.m. There is no charge but donations to SLARC youth programming are encouraged.

Actors in the play consist mostly of high school students, although there a few members of SLARC and recently graduated students participating as well.

"They've succeeded in creating a powerful and moving piece about racism" said Youth Against Hate Crimes project coordinator E.J. Horvath. "I've watched a transformation take place from the time this youth group began discussions about hate crimes in March to now, when they've put together a play to be proud of."

"Really, really good! I like it," was guest speaker Thomas Highway's feedback when he saw a scene from the play during his visit to the youth centre last month. Other audience members present at the time were brought to tears by the depth of feeling in the actors' performances.

Bounce is the culmination of SLARC's Youth against Hate Crimes Project which is funded by the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General's Community Hate Crimes Response Grants Program. Different phases of the project have included guest speakers, guided discussions, and an art exhibit called *Beneath the Surface*.

The actors/actresses of the SLARC performance *Bounce*.

