

# The Heritage Play Tour: Ourstory

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### Sunshine Theatre Productions

Based on the lore and memories of local Townshippers, Ourstory tells the tale of a prospector who, like the Ancient Mariner is doomed to wander for some unknown reason and “tell” his story.

Collaborators Sarah Biggs, Maurice Crossfield, Doug Hooper and Laura Teasdale have fashioned the musical theatre piece from research and interviews with people who remember the characters and lore of our townships history. The prospector is a sort of time traveler who allows the audience to experience through drama, mime, masks, dance and different theatrical styles, historical scenes that make up our history – Ourstory. Actors, Kate Wisdom and Ralph Steiner will complete the cast.

There are the trans-border brothel, Queen Lil’s, the Party Line Murder, the totally bilingual marriage of the Lennons, Lost Nation, the cogniakers of Dunham, the Chaplin curse and the Ballad of Johnny Rhicard – a living legend. With songs by Laura and Sarah the show is full of local reference and we will recognise these Townships characters.

The play will be produced by Sunshine Theatre Productions and directed by Laura Teasdale. Ourstory will tour to Radio Village Hall for a recording for radio 99.1 FM on Thursday, October 27 at 8 p.m. Families are invited to a Saturday matinee on Oct 29 at the Brome Lake Community Centre at 2 p.m. Shows will also take place in Foster (Creek Church) on Friday, Oct 28 at 7 p.m. and in Cowansville (Nov 5) and Sutton (Nov 2) as well as schools in the area. **In Stanbridge East the show will take place Oct 30 at 2 p.m. at the Musee Missisquoi as part of the Tournee Carrefour culturel.** Sunshine Theatre thanks Brome-Missisquoi CLD, Ville de Lac Brome, Townshippers’ Foundation and Wordfest for supporting this project.

Tickets cost \$10 and for a family \$15.

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