

**Mushuau Players, Nukum Mani Shan School  
Davis Inlet  
presents**

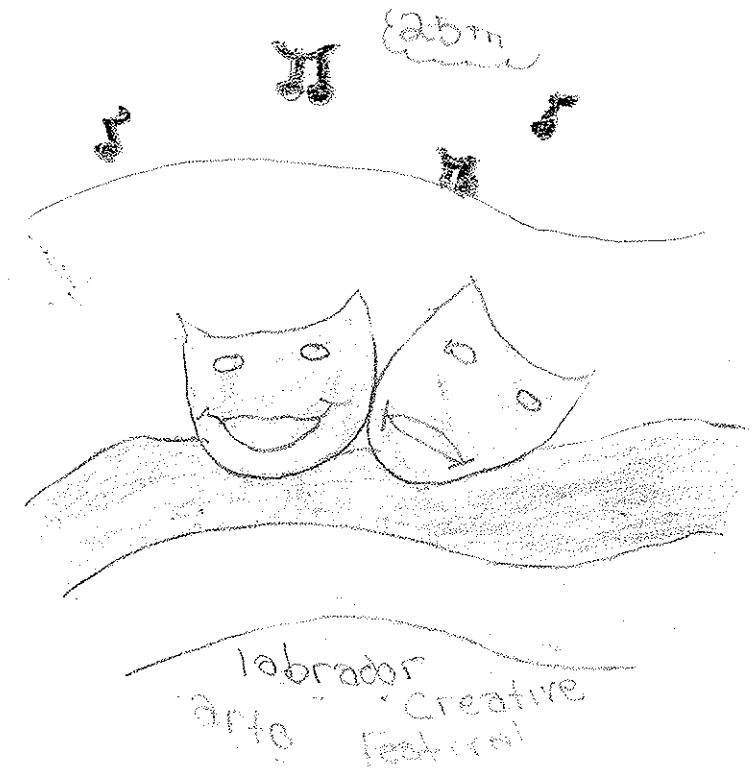
**“Journey of Hope”**

**Cast**

**Rick Hiscock  
Antonia Benuen  
Jessica Downey  
Chris Igloliorte  
Ann Philomena Poker  
Donna Poker  
Nigel Rich  
Mary Madeline Rich**

**Teacher Advisors**

**Dawn Carnell  
Betty Lou Drover**



## **“Journey of Hope”**

### **SCENE 1**

*Low coloured light shines on 4 kids pantomiming despair, anger, boredom and sniffing. “Help Me” by Kashtin playing. (90 seconds)*

*Bright light shines on 2 kids playing hockey. One player on seeing the group of 4 shows concern. He goes to the elder for help. The hockey player and the elder confront the group of kids. The elder extends a helping hand. A human chain is formed, except one lone sniffer. ( 45 seconds)*

### **SCENE 2**

*Bright light shines on the Sweat lodge. The elder and 5 kids walk slowly towards the Sweat Lodge and enter. The music stops. A solemn drum beats from within the Sweat Lodge, symbolizing the heart beat and healing. (60 seconds)*

### **SCENE 3**

*Bright colourful lights shine on the group. The song “Tshinanu” by Kashtin plays. Everyone exits the Sweat Lodge congratulating each other with handshakes and hugs. Kids put on their respective dress. They begin a celebration dance in a circle, while elder looks on with approval.*

### **SCENE 4**

*The lone sniffer looks over at the celebration and decides to join in. As he walks towards Sango with the gas bag in his hand, the elder steps into his path. The elder gestures “stop”. The music stops. The lights dim on the party.*

*The sniffer gestures to join the celebration. The elder shakes her head “No”. She points to the gas bag. This is the sniffer’s time of reckoning - looks at the other kids, looks at the gas bag, looks back at the life he wants to leave behind and looks at the elder. Slowly, he lays the bag down. The elder takes the youth by the hand and leads him to the Sweat Lodge. Both enter the Sweat Lodge and the drum is played from within for 30 seconds. Curtain closes.*

*“Tshinanu” continues to play. The performers take a bow.*