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KidStreet -- Back with another Outstanding Line-up of Authors and Activities

What: Children's Activity and Reading Tents, Favourite TVO Kids Entertainers and KidStreet Marketplace

When: Festival day is Sunday, Sept. 25, 2011 from 11:00am until 6:00pm

Where: Queen's Park in Downtown Toronto

Details: Once again in 2011, Owlkids, the publisher of *ChickaDEE*, *Chirp* and *Owl* magazines, is producing the KidStreet Festival Guide, packed with children's programming details and presented in a fun format with plenty of puzzles and games for these Family Fun Destinations:

Children's Activity Tent:

The Children's Activity Tent features fun for all ages, including creative crafts and interactive presentations inspired by new children's books and music.

- Join in on a Q&A session/game show with *OWL* and *ChickaDEE* editors **Craig Battle** and **Lesley Black**
- Enjoy a reading and quilt-making activity with **Nan Forler**
- Take a dance break with **Ann-Marie Williams**
- Join **Charlie** for some music and fun at the **ROCKgarden Party**
- Learn about space with **Peter McMahon** and make your own pencil eraser gravity simulator
- Draw your own comics with **David Lapp**
- Bop along to music with **Nancy Kopman!**

Children's Reading Tent:

The Children's Reading Tent is the place where children aged 3 to 12 can meet and hear their favourite authors *and* discover brand new ones. Just some of the fantastic presenters that will be on hand to read from their new releases include:

- Début children's authors **Annika Dunklee, Michael Moniz, Nicola Winstanley and Cybèle Young**
- Plus some of Canada's best known and award-winning authors, such as **Helaine Becker, Cary Fagan, Monica Kulling, Mahtab Narsimhan, and Nicholas Oldland.**

TVOKids Stage:

Favourite personalities from **TVOKids** take the stage with a day of fun-filled literacy-focused entertainment that includes music, stories, readings and interactive sessions. Children will love to dance with their favourite TVOKids personalities, and don't forget to keep an eye out for Polkaroo!

KidStreet Marketplace:

And that's not all...there are some amazing books and authors waiting to be discovered at the booths of our **KidStreet Marketplace**, along with many tasty treats for you to savour while reading your new books and magazines. It's all to be found on KidStreet – only at The Word On The Street.

About The Word On The Street:

Every year on the last Sunday in September, in the cities of Vancouver, Saskatoon, Kitchener, Toronto, and Halifax, The Word On The Street festivals unite the country in a national celebration of literacy and the written word. Annually attracting over 200,000 visitors to its Queen's Park location, The Word On The Street Toronto is the largest book and magazine festival in Canada.

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