

Canada-Indonesia Youth Exchange Celebrates 10th Anniversary

Two days of special events in Jakarta, including speech and sports competitions, a folk festival, a photographic exhibit and a cultural evening, climaxed the 1983/84 youth exchange between Canada and Indonesia, the tenth of its kind since this highly successful program began in 1975.

Senator Jacques Hébert, President and founder, and Réal Bérubé, Chairman of Canada World Youth, were on hand for the festivities as guests of the Indonesian Government and were informed of Indonesia's satisfaction with the youth exchange program by several Indonesian high officials, including the State Minister for Youth and Sports, Mr. Abdul Ghafur. While in Jakarta, Senator Hébert also signed a protocol agreement governing the 1984/85 exchange.

The 1983/84 exchange had the largest number of participants ever, with 66 Indonesians and 66 Canadians participating. Participants were divided into two teams, and each Canadian twinned with an Indonesian.

The exchange began in Canada, where one team was sent to British Columbia and the other to Manitoba for three months. The participants engaged in community work such as tree planting, farmwork, daycare centre and cafeteria services.

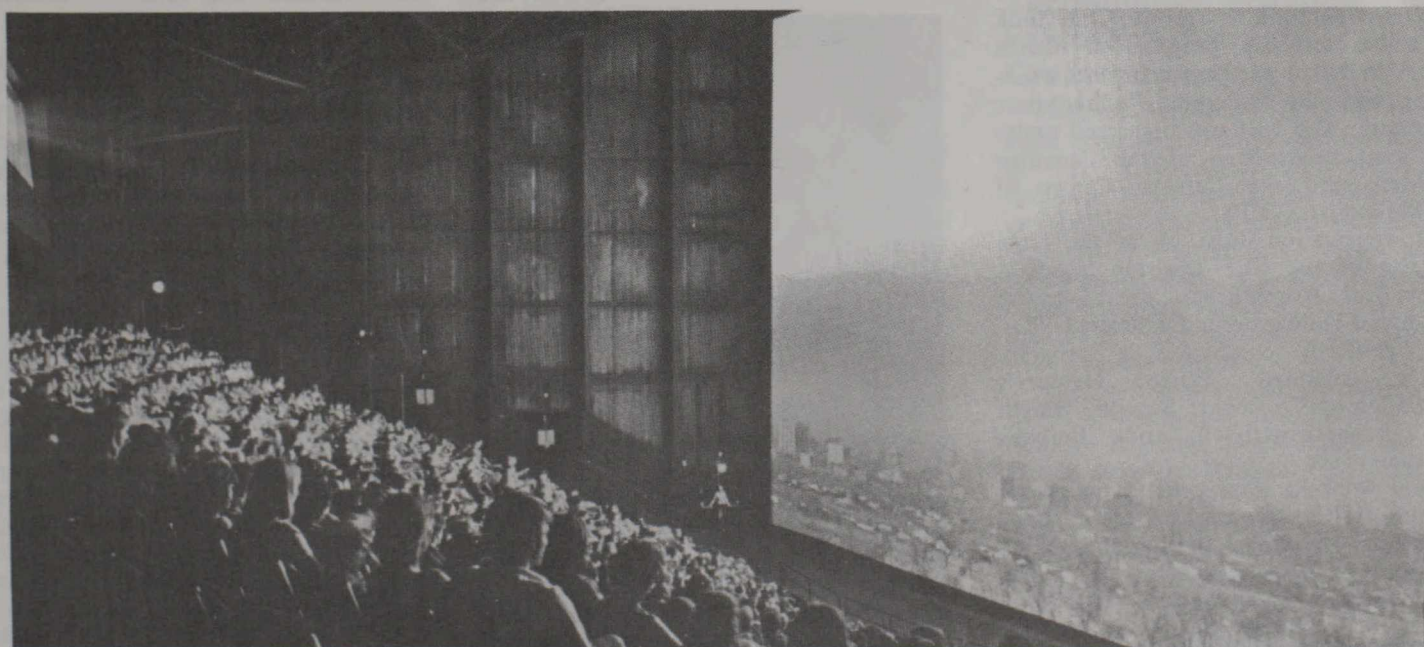


During his visit to Indonesia to attend the ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs Jean Chrétien held talks with Indonesian President Suharto. President Suharto expressed his appreciation to Mr. Chrétien for Canadian cooperation with Indonesia and discussed developments in the Pacific area. The President was also invited to come to Canada, where he has been once in the past.

The entire group then spent three months in Indonesia. The groups were assigned to eight different villages in two provinces on the island of Kalimantan. There, participants lived with host families and worked in small development projects funded by the Indonesian

Government and identified by village committees.

Projects included road improvement, latrine construction, vegetable gardens related to nutrition improvement classes, children's playground construction and clean water supply systems.



Taman Mini Indonesia, Jakarta's premier amusement park, inaugurated its new theatre on April 19, 1984, in a ceremony attended by President and Mrs. Suharto, Indonesian officials and members of the diplomatic corps. The theatre is equipped with the Imax system, a high fidelity motion picture system created and developed by Imax Systems Corporation of Toronto.

Imax uses state of the art technology to create very large movie images of unsurpassed clarity and impact, together with a sophisticated sound system, thus making possible the design of advanced theatres with screens of unprecedented size.

Imax picture systems were first installed in Ontario Place in Toronto, and are now being used in several theatres in Canada, the United States, Argentina and now Indonesia. The Indonesian contract is valued at \$1 million.