

# Saskatchewan Organization for Heritage Languages



**Cultural**

**Advisory**

**Committee**

**Presentation**

**2009**

# SOHL FACTS

- Founded in 1985
- Focus on promoting and developing the teaching of heritage languages
- SOHL currently supports over 70 schools and organizations in Saskatchewan
- SOHL members represent over 30 languages



# Heritage Languages in Saskatchewan

Dinka Urdu Igbo  
Arabic Hungarian  
Mandarin Spanish  
Tigrina Filipino Greek  
German Ukrainian  
Cantonese Hindi  
Dari Japanese Tamil  
Persian Norwegian  
Pashtu Swedish Korean  
Polish Russian Punjabi  
Vietnamese Ruthenian  
Luganda Yoruba

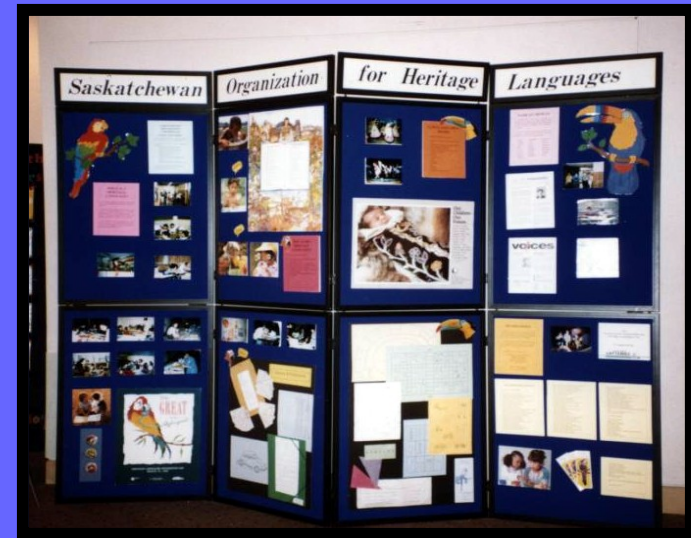


# **SOHL PROGRAMS**

# Heritage Language Teaching Program/Immersion Camps



# Heritage Language Day



- Celebrated on February 21<sup>st</sup> 2009 at Balfour Collegiate
- Featured entertainment by various language schools, displays, 50-50 draws, and greetings from various groups, including Deputy Minister Audrey Roadhouse

# Provincial Conference 2008: Year of Languages



# Mini-Language Lessons



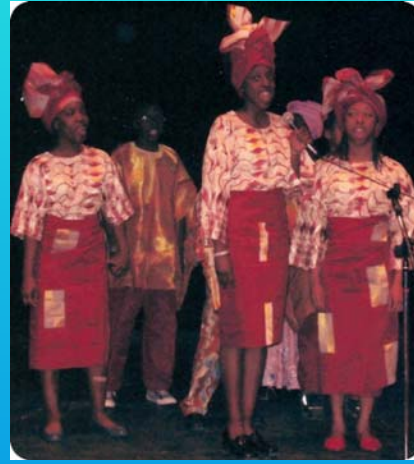
- In 2008/09 there were 50 classrooms matched up in Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, and Swift Current
- Languages taught include: Cree, Chinese, German, Japanese, Hindi, Spanish, Igbo, Hungarian, Italian, Norwegian, Punjabi, Ukrainian, Russian, and Tagalog

# Workshops



- SOHL funds both Professional Skills Development Workshops, as well as Language Specific Workshops
- Skills Development Workshops are typically delivered by MLAR in Regina and SIA in Saskatoon

# Choral Festivals



Choral Festivals are held in both Regina and Saskatoon annually

# Youth Bursaries

- SOHL awards several bursaries to deserving youth helpers in their respective heritage language classrooms
- 2008 Recipients:
  - Arnav Jatukaran** – ICA Hindi School
  - Rebecca Dravland** – Saskatoon Norwegian Language School
  - Jhena de la Cruz** – Filipino Heritage School
  - Fabian Dick** – German Language School Saskatoon

# Radio Program/Newsletter/Website

- SOHL publishes two newsletters per year
- SOHL's website is updated on a regular basis
- SOHL Connections is a Multicultural Radio Program that airs on 91.3 FM CJTR every Tuesday from 6-6:30 pm



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