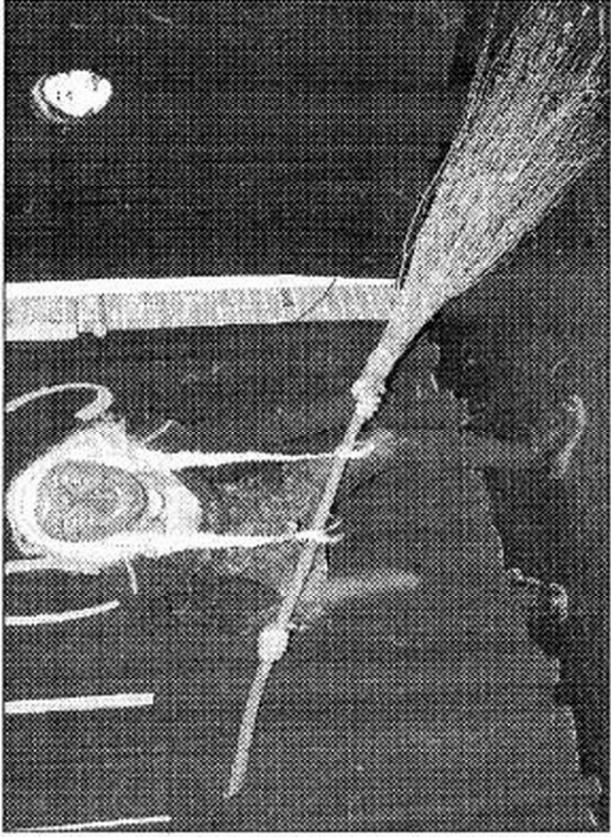


# Artists to display masks of the world at St. Camille

**St-Camille (SM)**—Halloween will be coming early to this small community of artists near Asbestos in the form of a festival of masks from around the world set for the last ten days of May.

The International Mask Festival of Quebec will be centered at the P'tit Bonheur coffee house and display masks from indigenous communities from Finland, France, the Congo, Cameroon, Belgium, as well as from native communities in Canada.

"We have actors, dancers, painters, sculptors and experts coming here to discuss and demonstrate the art and use of the mask in the past and the present throughout the world," said festival organizer Hildegund Janzing. "The mask is not only a piece of art, but also an ex-



pression of culture, religion and communication. It has its uses in both war and peace."

The festival will not be limited to St. Camille. Martin said exhibitions, lectures and performances by actors and dancers will

also be held at the Sherbrooke Cegep auditorium, the Wotton library, the Weedon cultural center and at community halls in Ham-Sud and St. Adrien from May 21st to 31st. The festival climax will be at St. Camille on Saturday, May 30 when a masked ball will be held. Only those wearing a mask will be allowed entry.

For more information, contact Martin at 819-828-0518 or 819-879-6645 or visit the festival website at [www.paysageseclates.com](http://www.paysageseclates.com).