

# Joel Assogba

**Author-Illustrator, Speaker (Trilingual = English, French, Japanese) at Queen's L.I. / Daddy Publishing & Public Speaking Inc.**

Edmonton, AB, CA

No Bullying, No Racism: I Promote Tolerance & Diversity

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## Description

Joel is an African-Canadian-Japanese, with the spirit and soul of a world citizen. He ran a language school at Queen's L.I. where he taught English and French for 17 years. He is also a writer-illustrator and a passionate public speaker. He has published many trilingual books (Japanese / English / French) and articles in Japan's main newspapers (Yomiuri, Asahi and Mainichi.) He is a regular contributor to The Japan Times ST. Author of five popular illustrated books; "The Rainbow Kids," "Wind of Freedom," "What Color are Burdocks," "I'm not a Foreigner," and "Respect for Life." He has published a bilingual book titled "Peace" (96 pages) to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the A-bomb dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. He has designed and published two colorful posters to promote multiculturalism and prevent Ijime (bullying) in Japan. He travels all over Japan to give lectures in Japanese on parenting, education of the heart, universal values, crime prevention, human rights, antiracism, nonviolence and peace... He held a special literary event for students, francophones and other invited guests in the Manulife VIP Lounge (Canada Pavilion at EXPO 2005 world exposition in Aichi, Japan), and also at Embassy of Canada in Tokyo, Japan (in 2006). He is now living in Edmonton, Alberta (Canada).

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## Availability

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist, Workshop, Host/MC, Author Appearance, Corporate Training

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## Industry Expertise

Public Relations and Communications, Writing and Editing, Education/Learning

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## Topics

Education, Human Rights, Fighting Bullying

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## Affiliations

AAO (Association of French Writers in Outaouais, Gatineau, Canada), Liberal Party of Canada

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## Sample Talks

## **Fighting against Racism/Bullying and Promoting Diversity in Schools and Communities**

Through lectures and seminars that I plan with the collaboration of PTAs and Education Boards, I try to get both adults and children in schools and communities involved in creating a society free of bullying and racism. I encourage teachers to make anti-bullying and anti-racism a part of their curriculum and identify bullies and racists early on, before they become set in their ways. Finally, help children learn that by taking care of each other, speaking out against bullies and racists , and

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## **Education**

### **College Saint Alexandre (Gatineau, Canada)**

DES (High School Diploma) General

### **Cegep of Outaouais (Hull, Canada)**

DEC (College Diploma) Human Sciences

### **University of Quebec in Outaouais (Hull, Canada)**

Bachelor's of Business Administration (Industrial Relations) Business Administration (Industrial Relations)

### **The University of British Columbia / UBC**

None Foundation Courses for Master's in Social Sciences, Business Administration & Education 1992 – 1994

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## **Accomplishments**

### **Speaker For Canada in Japan**

• Held a special literary event in French and Japanese for students and other invited guests in the Manulife VIP Lounge (Canada Pavilion at EXPO 2005 world exposition in Nagoya, Aichi, Japan)

### **Speaker at The Embassy of Canada in Japan**

• Held a special literary event in English, French and Japanese for students and other invited guests at the Canadian embassy in Tokyo (2006)

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