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Dug Stevenson, Mayor Neil Ellis and Gary Magwood cut a traditional roll of film to mark the opening of the third annual Belleville DocFest. The official opening presentation at the Empire Theatre was followed by a screening of *20 Feet from Stardom*.

(Right) Georgette Fry gives an outstanding performance, backed up by Shout Sister, that left the crowds on their feet at the opening gala of Belleville's DocFest. Fry started the Shout Sister 12 years ago and now there are hundreds of women in the choirs in several cities. Photo by Adrienne Powell



Photo by Sarah Visser

Maija Thompson, Eric Lucas and Alexandra Bell do their makeup before the preview performance of *Leading Ladies* at the Pinnacle Theatre in downtown Belleville.



(Right) Local artist Graham Robertson inspects his sculpture. Natural light from the window enables the artist to spot imperfections that are not visible under fluorescent light. Photo by Gabrielle Smith



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Naomi Guilbert, a member of Fubuki Daiko, a Japanese drumming group from Winnipeg, Man., performs for school children in January at Maranatha Church in Belleville.