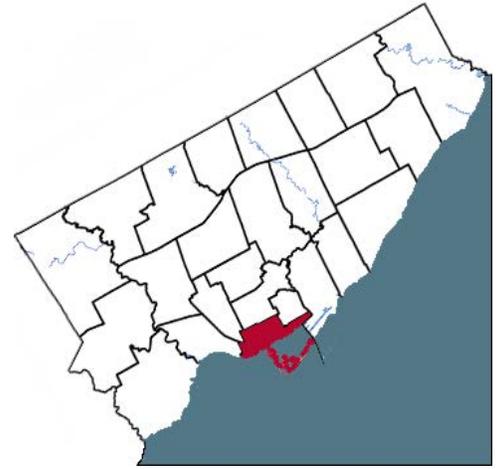
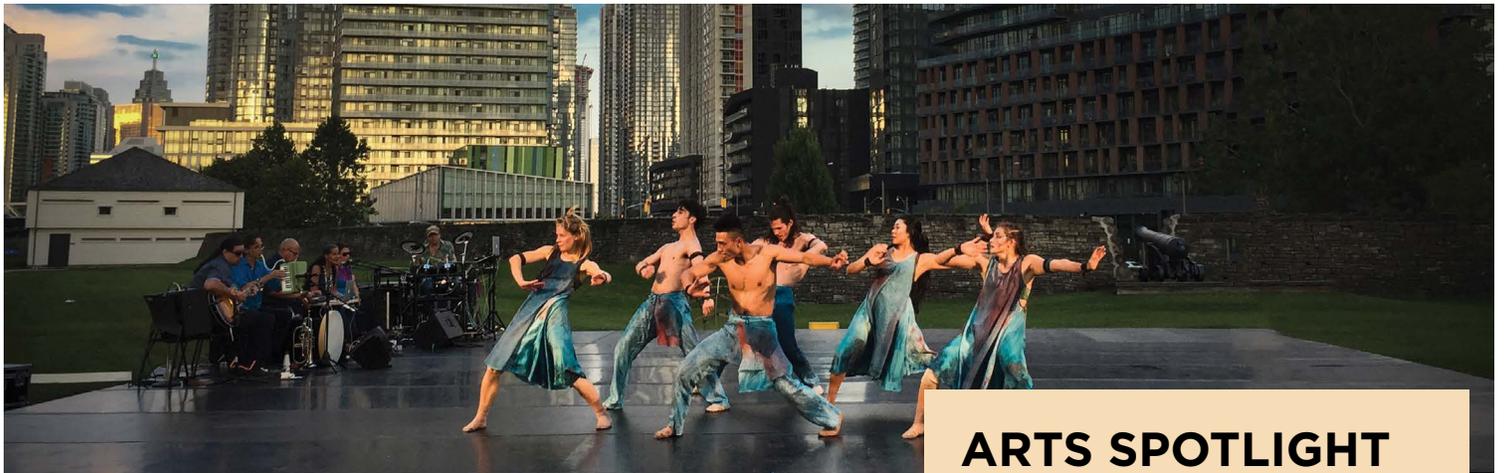


TAC FUNDED ARTS ACROSS TORONTO



WARD 10: SPADINA—FORT YORK

Approximately 380 arts activities funded in Spadina—Fort York in 2017.

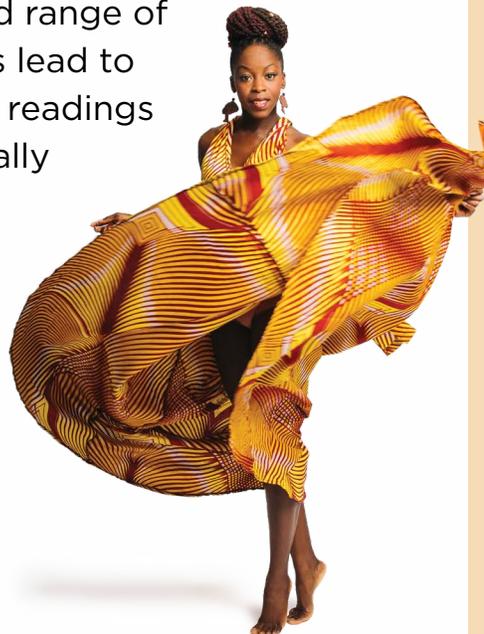


ARTS SPOTLIGHT

Ward: Spadina—Fort York
Organization: SKETCH
TAC Grant: Community Arts
sketch.ca

Created in 1996, SKETCH is a Toronto-based community arts organization that engages youth ages 16-29 who are navigating poverty, living homeless or otherwise on the margins. Their programming is designed to create opportunities, encourage community connections, and develop employment and life skills for young people. In 2017, SKETCH continued to offer free programming in a wide array of artistic disciplines including ceramics, music and culinary arts at their multidisciplinary studio located at Artscape Youngplace, 180 Shaw St (Spadina- Fort York). Through their creative and innovative programming, SKETCH is giving street-involved and homeless youth the ability to enhance their overall wellbeing, skills and connections.

Toronto Arts Council (TAC) is the City of Toronto's funding body for artists and arts organizations. Since 1974, TAC has played a major role in the city's cultural industries by supporting a very broad range of artistic activity. TAC grants lead to exhibitions, performances, readings and workshops seen annually by over 9.5 million people throughout the City of Toronto and beyond. Through its ongoing funding, TAC cultivates a rich engagement between artists and audiences.



OUR MISSION

Supporting artists and arts organizations with responsive and innovative granting programs.

OUR VISION: CREATIVE CITY, BLOCK BY BLOCK.

Working towards a vibrant and creative city where every neighbourhood is enriched by the transformative benefits of the arts.

In 2017, TAC:

- ▶ Distributed over **\$18 million** in grants
- ▶ Supported **537** arts organizations and collectives and **492** professional artists
- ▶ Funded approximately **380** activities in ward 10, Spadina—Fort York

With an application success rate of 43%, TAC funds only a fraction of the artistic activity happening in the city. With more funds, we can invest more in the organizations and artists who are helping to build our vibrant, creative city.

The arts are not only important to Toronto artists, but they are important to Toronto residents. Toronto Arts Foundation's [Arts Stats 2018](#) revealed that nearly **90% of Torontonians** believe that the arts make Toronto a better place to live, and more than **75%** of them would like to see more opportunities to attend the arts in every Toronto ward.

We are happy to talk to you further about the impact of the arts on the city, its value for Toronto residents and what Toronto Arts Council is doing to strengthen the city through the arts.

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