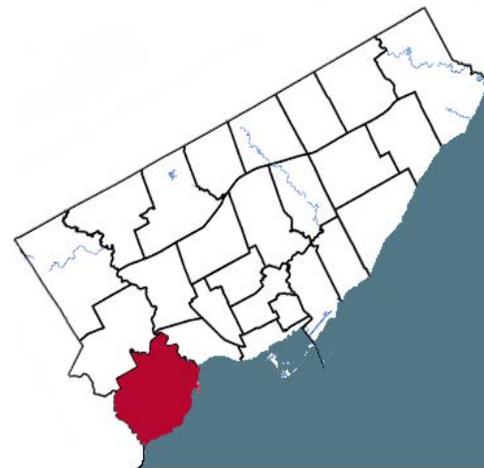
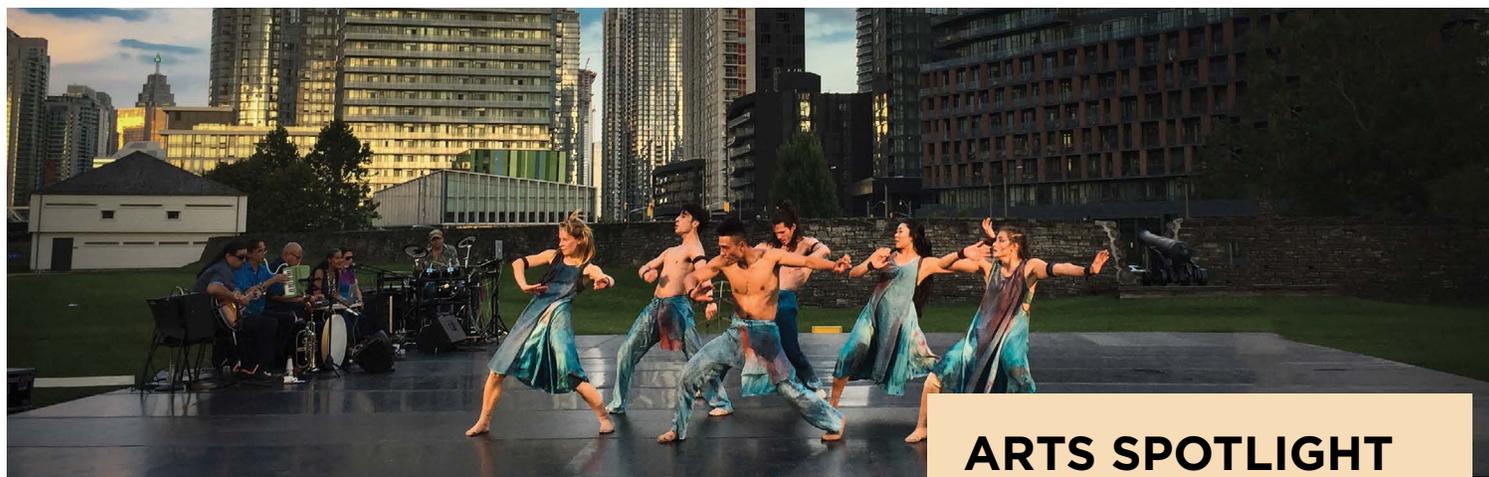


# TAC FUNDED ARTS ACROSS TORONTO



## WARD 3: ETOBICOKE—LAKESHORE

Approximately 30 arts activities funded in Etobicoke—Lakeshore in 2017.



### ARTS SPOTLIGHT

**Ward:** Etobicoke—Lakeshore

**Organization:** Drum Artz Canada

**TAC Grant:** Community Arts

[www.drumartz.com](http://www.drumartz.com)

Created in 2004, Drum Artz Canada is a music and arts organization that provides educational programs for youth, adults and families in the Greater Toronto Area. They offer lessons in world music, drumming, steel pan, break-dancing, stilt-walking, theatre and more. In 2017, Drum Artz Canada presented *Samba Kidz and Youth Troupe*, a weekly drumming class for children and youth. As Samba Kidz participants progress in their musicianship, they are invited to perform at various locations including St. Leo School (Etobicoke- Lakeshore). Through programs like *Samba Kidz*, Drum Artz Canada is giving kids and youth a positive environment to excel artistically, grow as individuals and contribute positively to the Toronto community.

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.

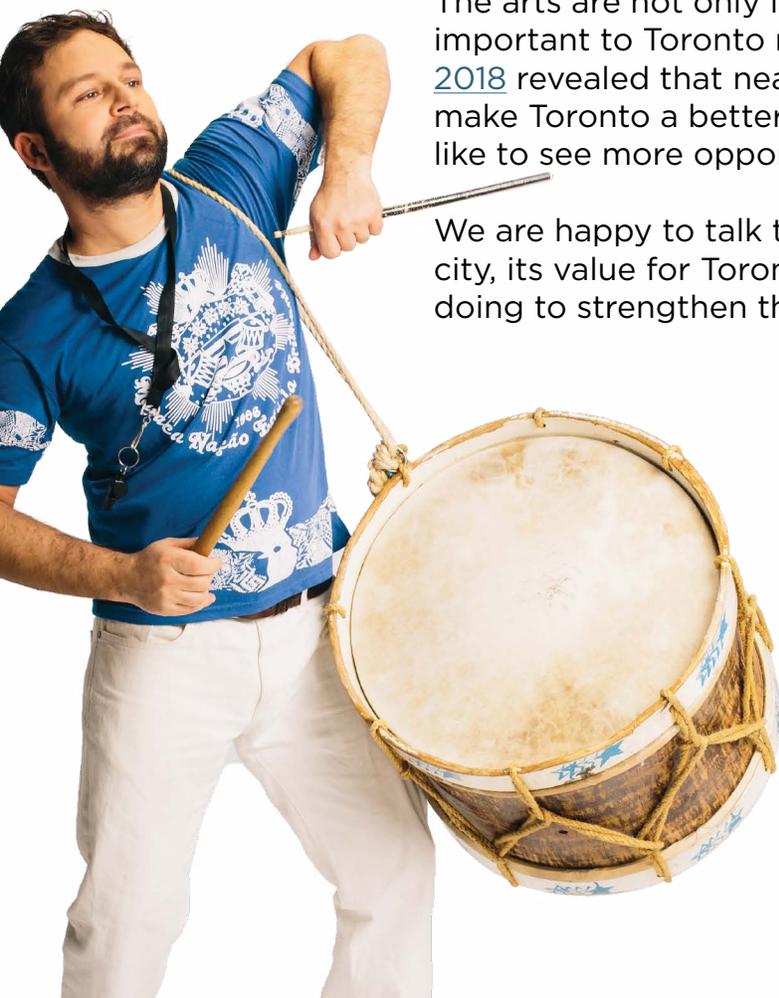
In 2017, TAC:

- ▶ Distributed over **\$18 million** in grants
- ▶ Supported **537** arts organizations and collectives and **492** professional artists
- ▶ Funded approximately **30** activities in ward 3, Etobicoke—Lakeshore

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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