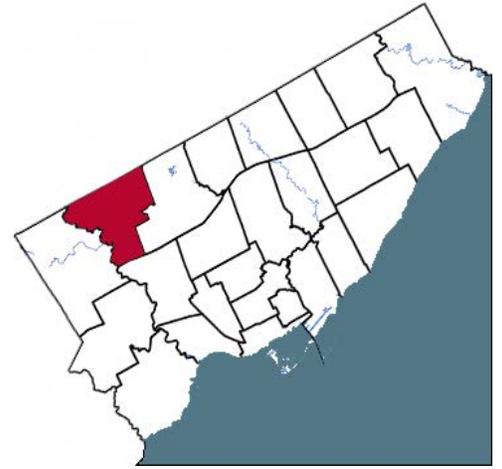
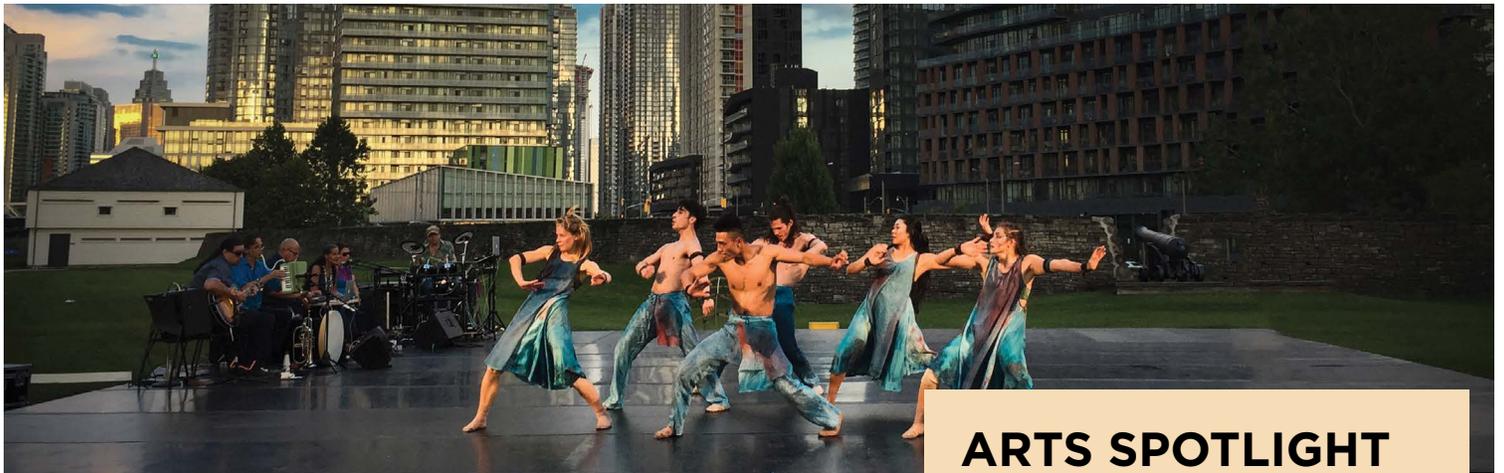


TAC FUNDED ARTS ACROSS TORONTO



WARD 7: HUMBER RIVER—BLACK CREEK

Approximately 45 arts activities funded in Humber River—Black Creek in 2017.



ARTS SPOTLIGHT

Ward: Humber River—Black Creek

Organization: Art Gallery of York University

TAC Grant: Visual/Media Arts
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Established in 2005, the Art Gallery of York University is a university-affiliated public art gallery that presents exhibitions, programs and related activities that focus on contemporary art. In 2017, the gallery continued its *Out There* program in the Jane/Finch area, which included programming at C.W. Jefferys Collegiate Institute (Humber River- Black Creek). *Out There* engages youth in a series of dance, djing, song writing, singing, storytelling, writing, and spoken word poetry workshops led by artist-educators. By providing youth with an opportunity to learn a variety of art forms, the Art Gallery of York University is supporting the development and success of students through the arts.

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 **45** activities in ward 7, Humber River–Black Creek

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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