



2015 Annual Report

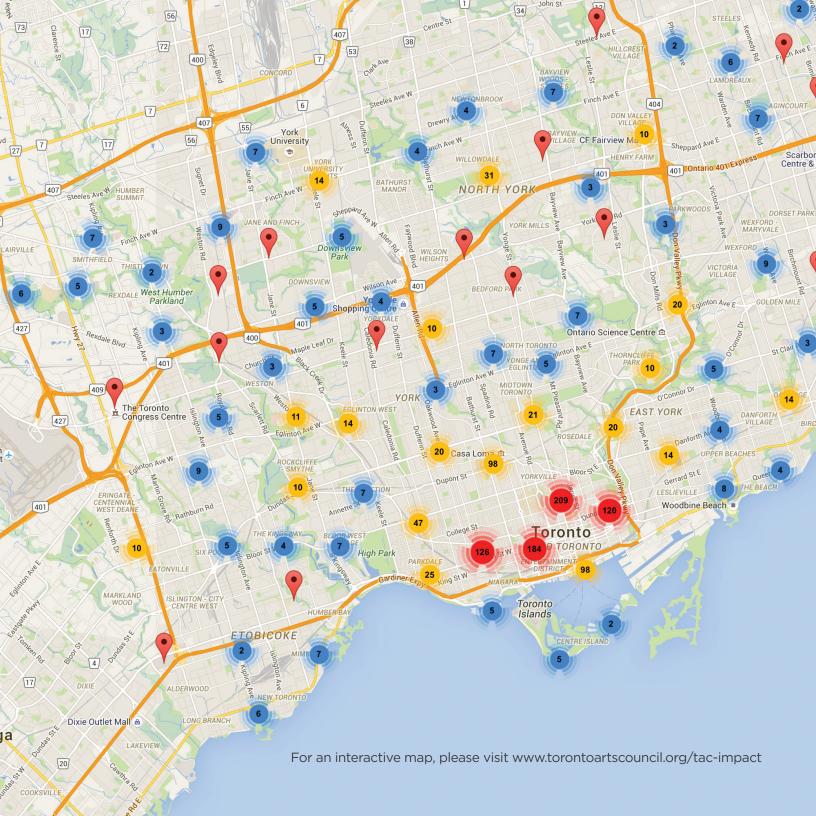




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About Toronto Arts Council:

Our Vision and Mandate

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. From the emerging artist to the most established, from celebrated institutions to arts that challenge convention, TAC is typically the first funder to offer support. Today, TAC grants lead to exhibitions, performances, readings and workshops seen annually by over 7.5 million people throughout the City of Toronto and beyond. Through its ongoing funding, TAC cultivates a rich engagement between artists and audiences. It is proud to reflect Toronto's vibrancy through the diversity of artists, arts communities and audiences that it serves.

TAC recognizes the importance of increased arts programming in every neighbourhood of the city, especially in the inner suburbs. Our vision *Creative City, Block by Block* aims to connect every Toronto neighbourhood to the transformative power of arts activity.

Letter from the Chair and President

We are pleased to present the 2015 annual report on Toronto Arts Council's programs and activities.

Toronto is a city of art! Its arts sector continues to evolve, push boundaries and embrace new ideas and practices. Toronto Arts Council is not only keeping pace with this energy, it is casting its view into the future with its new Strategic Plan.

The Plan is introduced in the following pages; it has a 9 year horizon focused on our vision of an arts-making city - one in which we are all arts-makers and city builders, working to shape a Toronto that is alive to its potential.

We would like to extend our most sincere appreciation to the chairs of TAC's committees, who dedicate their time, passion and energy to the arts community: Cara Eastcott, chair of the Community Arts Committee; Louis Laberge-Côté, chair of the Dance Committee; Alissa York, chair of the Literary Committee; Dallas Bergen and Josh Grossman, co-chairs of the Music Committee; Lauren Howes and Gaëtane Verna, co-chairs of the Visual/Media Arts Committee; and Moynan King, chair of the Theatre Committee. We also extend our gratitude to outgoing board members Janet Carding, Seema Jethalal and Moynan King for their tireless work.

We would also like to acknowledge the tremendous work of the many jury members and committee members who have helped adjudicate and steer the Council's granting programs.

Finally, we acknowledge the significant contributions to TAC and to the arts community as a whole, that John McKellar has made over the years. In his seven years as Chair of the TAC Board of Directors, John guided TAC through a time of unprecedented growth with a steadfast hand. An inspiring champion of the arts, John has spent over 50 years in volunteer roles, and we are all tremendously honoured by his service to our community. John is now a member of the Toronto Arts Foundation board, where he is honourary chair of the Creative Champions Network. Thank you, John!

As you read the following pages, we invite you to discover the many programs, partnerships and collaborations that marked 2015; and to join us as we work together to support Toronto's artists and foster artistic excellence in every corner of the city.



Susan Crocker Chair Toronto Arts Council



Nova Bhattacharya President Toronto Arts Council

Letter from the Director & CEO

Toronto Arts Council is proud to support the City's artists and arts organizations as we work collectively to build a strong and vibrant city.

We have seen the transformation that arts programming brings about in Toronto and we know that Torontonians value it highly. On a large scale, the exceptional and world renowned festivals, museums and arts organizations deliver tangible, easily understood benefits to our economy and to our viability as an international destination.

On the ground and in the inner suburbs, artists are working in Toronto Community Housing, in libraries, in schools and settlement centres, and on outdoor canvasses in parks or streetscapes to bring about critical transformative change in young people, in families, in adults and in neighbourhoods.

Toronto Arts Council works to support the aspirations of all of these artists. Our funding programs – many established with recent funding increases - are having an impact in neighbourhoods across the city. Programs like Animating Historic Sites and Museums and Artists in the Library engage local residents and create new opportunities to

access new spaces and audiences, while others including the Cultural Leaders Lab and Open Door Funding are sparking new ideas, fostering collaborations and helping to shape Toronto's cultural landscape.

Much of the impetus for new programs and for a renewed emphasis on existing grant streams has been in response to the changing realities in the arts. In the coming years TAC's new Strategic Plan will ensure a continued responsiveness to artists and an ongoing commitment to excellence and access.

We are a small, dedicated and passionate team who work to adjudicate over 2000 grants and many more partnerships every year. Our research and experience, through the peerreviewed granting process, encourages us to move toward shaping a city that fully embraces participation in the arts. As we move towards a new vision of an "arts-making city" contributing to a vibrant arts ecology by creating, presenting, supporting or attending works of art, we look forward to sharing the journey with you.



Claire Hopkinson Director & CEO Toronto Arts Council

Toronto Arts Council

Board of Directors and Staff

As the arts council for the country's leading arts community, TAC is committed to being the leading municipal arts funder in both effectiveness and innovation. TAC's volunteer committee and board members reflect the changing demographics of the City and have a deep and profound knowledge of arts practice in every discipline and every neighbourhood.

2015 Board of Directors

John McKellar, CM, QC, Chair Nova Bhattacharya, President Andrew Walker, Secretary Harold Chmara, Treasurer

Dallas Bergen

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Louis Laberge-Côté

Richard Lee

Chris Lorway

Devon Ostrom

Gaëtane Verna

Jesse Wente

Alissa York

2015 Staff

Claire Hopkinson, Director and CEO Susan Wright, Deputy Director Beth Reynolds, Director of Grants

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Timea Wharton-Suri, Dance/Literary Arts Grants Officer

Toronto Arts Council

2015 Committees

Community Arts

Cara Eastcott, Chair Elle Alconcel Mark V. Campbell Erika Iserhoff Tamla Matthews Tristan Whiston

Dance

Louis Laberge-Côté, Chair Brandy Leary Kevin Ormsby Carmen Romero Robert Sauvey Cindy Cin-Ling Yip

Literary

Alissa York, Chair Donna Bailey Nurse Derek McCormack Susan Renouf

Music

Dallas Bergen, Co-Chair
Josh Grossman, Co-Chair
Patricia Barretto
Lawrence Cherney
Cynthia Hawkins
Dalton Higgins
Jeanne Lamon
Jose Ortega
Micheline Roi

Theatre

Moynan King, Chair Leah-Simone Bowen Lisa Codrington Joanna Falck John Millard Jiv Parasram Soheil Parsa Tania Senewiratne

Visual Arts/Media Arts

Lauren Howes, Co-Chair Gaëtane Verna, Co-Chair Francisco-Fernando Granados Jane Kim David Poolman



Juries

Robert Abubo Parastoo Anoushahpour Patrick de Belen Nova Bhattacharya Natasha Bood DJ Mel Boogie Andrew J. Borkowski Kotama Bouabane Leah-Simone Bowen Sandra Brewster Rich Brown Mark Brownell Katia Café-Febrissy Nicole Cajucom Anna Camilleri Kate Cayley Lisa Codrington Ryan Cunningham Jennifer Dallas Cherie Dimaline Amelia Ehrhardt Sameer Faroog nichola feldman-kiss

Toni Francis

Jasmyn Fyffe

Danis Goulet

Penny Griffin Dalton Higgins Su Hutchinson Linda Irwin Roshanak Jaberi Molly Johnson Falen Johnson Martin Julien Hanna Kiel Erica Kopyto Adam Lazarus Brent Ledger Earl Lee Corwyn Lund Ann Macdonald Tamla Matthews Marc Merilainen Jay Millar Chris Mitchell **MOTION** Sean O'Neill Kevin A. Ormsby Dulaa Osman John Ottmann Roula Partheniou Lee "Lethal" Pham

Beatriz Pizano Emily Pohl-Weary Coman Poon Ryan Rice Jennie Robinson Jason Ryle Ivana Santilli Robert Sauvey Olive Senior Meera Sethi Rupal Shah Lucas Silveira Genne Speers Lisa Steele Penelope Stewart Rebeka Tabobondung Jose Teodoro Mary Tremonte Lezlie Wade Ann Webb Andrew Westoll Aaron Willis Gein Wong Annie Wong Cindy Yip Jacob Zimmerman



TAC impact by the numbers \$16,116,340 941 2,336

value of grants awarded

number of grants awarded

applications submitted

\$6.45

granted to the arts for each resident of Toronto

44 Wards

number of wards (of 44) in which arts programming was presented by TAC funded artists and organizations

283

grant recipients (individuals & organizations) funded for the first time in 2015

73

youth artists and youth led organizations funded in 2015

18,250

artists employed by TAC funded arts organizaitons*

\$16.33

leveraged from other sources for every dollar granted by TAC to annually funded organizations

21,000

public arts activities presented by TAC funded arts organizations

23,000

people volunteered at TAC funded arts organizations

11 million

people attended an arts event offered by TAC funded arts organizations*

\$177 million

expenditures by TAC funded arts organizations

^{*}Includes statistics collected through CADAC drawn from annually funded arts organizations.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Toronto Arts Council's Board, Committee members and staff worked throughout 2015 on the development of a new strategic plan to guide the organization for the next decade. We look forward to sharing the plan with the entire arts community as we work together to address its goals.

OUR 2025 GUIDING STATEMENT

Toronto is a city of arts-makers* — artists and residents, neighbours and friends, institutions and networks — that together make this an exciting, vibrant and creative city. Our 2025 plan gives force and brings new investment and actions to support our ideals.

We **SERVE** Torontonians by serving artists, and creating the conditions in which artistic inspiration, excellence and participation flourish.

We **RECOGNIZE** the intrinsic role that all Torontonians play in creating a city where artists thrive. We celebrate the institutions and organizations that fuel the city's creative spirit.

We **CHAMPION** the rights of all people to express, make, and share their art — and also to earn a living wage from their creative endeavours.

*Arts-making: contributing to a vibrant arts ecology by creating, presenting, supporting or attending works of art.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED...

TORONTO 2016

Current Strengths

Strong city-building

Integration of diversity

Recent increased investment

Growing confidence

TORONTO 2025

Future Aspirations

City-wide artistic activities and infrastructure

Inclusive participatory culture

Increased profile and support for artists

Greater mobility and influence

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

NEW INVESTMENT

realizing the potential of Toronto's artists and arts organizations

STRONG PARTNERSHIPS

extend opportunities, reach and profile of Toronto artists

URBAN LEADERSHIP

speak with a compelling voice for a creative, equitable and thriving city

RESPONSIVE GRANTING

reflect the city, embrace technology and build on success

2015 Highlights

TAC Cultural Leaders Lab: Investing in Toronto's Cultural Leaders

2015 was the inaugural year of the TAC Cultural Leaders Lab program. In partnership with The Banff Centre, TAC created the program to support the growth and capacity of Toronto's mid- to senior- level arts professionals. In recognizing the need for professional development in Toronto's arts and culture sector, the program brings together arts leaders from a variety of disciplines and expertise in a facilitated and collaborative learning environment.

Over ten months, a group of 18 selected fellows participated in a series of learning sessions, beginning with a one-week intensive leadership retreat in Banff. With the aim to enhance the skills, tools, networks and knowledge that will support personal leadership growth and new collaborative opportunities, the program seeks to ensure the health and success of the sector by empowering those who have the capacity to lead change.

Through this program, TAC is engaging directly with arts leaders about the challenges and opportunities facing the sector. Running an arts organization comes with many rewards as well as challenges, and providing arts leaders a space to pause, reflect and learn is essential to growth and innovation. In a group setting with leaders working across disciplines, the fellows are given the opportunity to share best practices, network, create collaborations, and form lasting friendships.

"I can definitely say that I am thinking about leadership in a radically different way and the program has led me to initiate ways that I encourage a feeling of leadership within everyone I work with."

Brendan Healy

former Artistic Director, Buddies in Bad Times Theatre and Inaugural TAC Cultural



Indigenous Projects

2015 was the pilot year for the Indigenous Arts Projects program, an annual multi-disciplinary project grant specifically for Indigenous artists, collectives and organizations. Following a consultation session with representatives of Toronto's Indigenous arts community, TAC reaffirmed the need for a specific Indigenous Arts grants program.

The program is designed to increase participation in and access to Toronto Arts Council funding by Indigenous artists, while increasing the creation and presentation of high-quality Indigenous art in the City. In addition to Creation, Presentation and Dissemination grants, the program offers Indigenous Sector Development grants which provides support for projects that develop and advance the practice of Indigenous arts and artists in Toronto.

With the Indigenous Arts Projects program, TAC is taking an even more proactive role in the support of Indigenous artistic practice. In its pilot year, 11 organizations or collectives and 10 individuals received grants totalling \$200,000.

tdsbCREATES

Expanding arts access and education through Artists in the Schools

Since its launch in 2013, the Artists in the Schools program has engaged thousands of students across the Toronto District School Board through the arts. TAC partnered with the TDSB and Prologue to the Performing Arts to develop the program which consists of artist residencies in elementary schools, artist mentorships, and the tdsbCREATES Arts Festival. Through dance, drama, media arts, spoken word and visual arts, students are encouraged to activate their creativity and express themselves through art.

The tdsbCREATES Arts Festival is a public presentation of student work, and a true expression of the value of arts education. This dynamic and impressive celebration of arts and student voice increases access to the arts and demonstrates the important role that artists and teachers play in nurturing creative expression. TAC funding for this program goes directly to the artists and arts organizations participating in the festival, and to schools outside the downtown core.

"It was wonderful to see students from different neighbourhoods share, through various art forms, their diverse perspectives on the city. My students were fueled with a renewed love for the arts and a heightened awareness of the many talented professional artists who continually add to the cultural mosaic of our city."

Margaret Micallef Teacher, Ionview Public School

Spotlight on **Toronto Arts Foundation**



Toronto Art Council's sister organization, Toronto Arts Foundation, is a charitable organization which actively encourages private sector arts investment and increases access to the arts throughout the City of Toronto.

For more information on the Foundation's programs and activities or to get involved, please visit their website at torontoartsfoundation.org

OUR GOALS SPARK:

To activate public engagement with the arts, from creation to participation to appreciation.

SPARK

summer of 2016. Think music, theatre and dance...think film, art installations and a broad variety of performance. Everywhere throughout the city. And all of it completely free. #ArtsInTheParksTO / artsintheparksto.org

Toronto's parks will be coming alive as never before in the



CREATIVE CITY:

Neighbourhood Arts Network

A network of 1,600 community-engaged artists.

Making a Living, Making Art

A professional development series for artists, youth and arts organizations

Newcomer Artist Spotlight

Connecting newcomer artists to Toronto's cultural community

Learning Room

A curated resource space for online learning





We believe in creative expression and inclusive arts programming to enliven our neighbourhood and bring people together. North York Arts is a local arts service organization currently being incubated by Toronto Arts Foundation to serve and support the North York Community.



@NorthYorkArts



FAST FND ARTS

Our mandate is to unite, inspire and enhance the communities of east Toronto with the transformative power of the arts. East End Arts is a local arts service organization currently being incubated by Toronto Arts Foundation to serve and support the East End community.



@EastEndArtsTO

SPOTLIGHT:

To celebrate Toronto's creative, business and civic leaders, and to recognize artistic excellence.

VISION AWARDS

Presented through the year, the Vision Awards spotlight artistic talent in Toronto and recognize the contributions artists make to the city. #ToArtsAwards

TD Arts Diversity Award Newcomer Artist Award Neighbourhood Arts Network Seeds Funds

Emerging Jazz Artist Award presented at the Downtown Toronto Jazz Festival

TORONTO ARTS ONLINE

In 2015 we launched Toronto Arts Online, a free listings website for arts events. With this new service, users can map events and discover festivals, concerts, openings, workshops and more. With an interactive map view and the ability to filter events by discipline, Toronto Arts Online is a valuable tool that will increase awareness of arts activities happening throughout the GTA.



SUPPORT:

To advocate and support the work of our artistic community and increase support for the arts.

UPPOR



Mayor Tory is graciously lending the name of the Office of the Mayor to help us raise \$1.5 million to make the arts accessible to neighbourhoods across the city through our initiative Arts in the Parks.

Join us on November 7, 2016.

BLOCK BY BLOCK



#ToArtsAwards

The Toronto Arts Foundation Awards recognizes artistic excellence and the contributions of artists and arts supporters, across disciplines, to Toronto. The awards are presented annually at the Mayor's Arts Lunch.

Arts for Youth Award

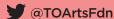
Emerging Artist Award

Roy Thomson Hall Award of Recognition

The William Kilbourn Award for the Celebration of Toronto's Cultural Life Toronto Arts and Business Award

Rita Davies and Margo Bindhardt Cultural Leadership Award

Muriel Sherrin Award for International Achievement



96% of
Torontonians
see at least one
benefit of the
arts to the City of
Toronto. (Arts Stats 2016)

We publish *Toronto Arts*Stats and *Toronto Arts Facts*annually with key information
and up to date public
opinions about the arts.



2015 Allocation Summary of Grants





Grants to Arts Organizations and Collectives

		Applications Received		Allocations Awar	arded	
		\$	#	\$	#	
	Community Arts	896,500	26	716,250	25	
		1,135,220	31	1,036,300	31	
ng	Large Insitutions	1,975,000	5	1,805,000	5	
Operating	Literary	154,100	6	140,100	6	
ŏ	Music	2,145,894	63	1,879,065	62	
	Theatre	2,831,325	46	2,592,325	46	
	Visual/Media Arts	1,973,500	37	1,718,500	36	
	Sub-total	\$11,111,539	214	\$9,887,540	211	

	Applications Rec	eived	Allocations Awar	rded
	\$	#	\$	#
Community Arts	1,119,291	106	537,400	68
	500,350	52	225,050	
Indigenous Arts	280,000	30	200,000	21
Literary	146,272	25	81,500	15
Music	738,262	99	252,250	48
Theatre	1,369,219	143	438,350	63
Visual/Media Arts	623,367	76	139,750	32
Sub-total	\$4,776,761	531	\$1,874,300	272
TOTAL	\$15,888,300	745	\$11,761,840	483

Grants to Individuals

	Applications Received		Allocations Awar	rded
	\$	#	\$	#
Dance	636,935	72	174,500	22
Music Creation & Recording	1,605,373	256	590,000	94
Visual Artists	2,370,000	334	415,000	58
Media Artists	1,396,640	182	237,000	31
Writers & Playwrights	2,414,000	342	498,000	73
TOTAL	\$8,422,948	1,186	\$1,914,500	278



Strategic Funding

		Applications Received		Allocations Awar	rded
		\$	#	\$	#
	Animating Historic Sites	569,857	30	118,000	6
	Artists in the Library	580,000	29	200,000	10
	Cultural Leaders Lab	591,657	71	150,000	18
ams	Open Door	896,001	17	508,000	12
Progra	Pan Am Partnership	50,000	1	40,000	1
TAC Programs	Performing Arts Facility Support	150,000	16	150,000	16
	Shared Charitable Platform	40,000	1	40,000	1
	Targeted Enhanced Funding	256,000	26	256,000	26
	ArtReach Toronto	745,000	70	300,000	31
SI	Artists in the Schools	105,000	1	105,000	1
Program	Business for the Arts (artsVest)	125,000	1	125,000	1
Partner Programs	Neighbourhood Arts Network	100,000	1	100,000	1
	Platform A	300,000	4	300,000	4
	Platform A - microgrants	140,837	150	48,000	52
	TOTAL	\$4,649,352	418	\$2,440,000	180

TOTAL - All Programs

	Applications Received		Allocations Awa	rded
	\$	#	\$	#
TOTAL (all programs)	\$28,960,600	2,349	\$16,116,340	941

Recipients Listing: Organizations

7th Cousins A Man Vanishes Collective A Space Gallery Acting Up Stage Company Adelheid Dance Projects African Women Acting Afrihili Cultural Association of Ontario Ahuri Theatre Aiding Dramatic Change in Development Aisle 4 Alias Dance Project Inc. Alliance Française de Toronto Aluna Theatre Amadeus Choir of Greater Toronto Amici Chamber Ensemble **AnOther Theatre Company** ANTARES Publishing House of Spanish Culture Aradia Ensemble Architect Theatre Arraymusic Ars Mechanica Art Bar Poetry Series Art Gallery of York University Art Metropole Art Museum University of Toronto Art of Time Ensemble Art Spin Toronto Art Starts Art Village ARTICLE 11 PERFORMANCE

GROUP

Artists Film Exhibition Group Arts4All Creative Society Ashkenaz Foundation Asian Arts Freedom School Asian Community AIDS Services Association for Music and Innovative Arts Axis Music Inc. b current Performing Arts Corp B.I.G. Bloor Improvement Group Baby Steps Parenting Bach Children's Chorus of Scarborough Bad New Davs performing arts Bain Arts Collective Ballet Creole Ballet Jörgen Canada Baque de Bamba Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic Barrier Free Media Alliance Batuki Music Society Birchmount Community Action Council Blue Ceiling Dance bluemouth inc. presents **BoucharDanse** Broken Heals BUCC N FLVR DANCE **COMPANY Buddies in Bad Times Theatre Butcher's Block Productions** CADA-ON Cahoots Theatre Company

Cajuca Mas Arts Producers C-A-Moorder Productions Canada Clown Canadian Children's Opera Company Canadian Contemporary Dance Theatre Canadian Film in the Schools Canadian Filmmakers Distribution Centre Canadian Lesbian and Gay Archives Canadian Men's Chorus Canadian Music Centre Canadian Rep Theatre Canadian Roots Exchange Canadian Society of Children's Authors, Illustrators and Performers Canadian Stage CanAsian Dance Festival CANORAA INC. **CANVAS Programs** Canzine Arts Festival CARFAC Ontario CaribbeanTales International Film **Festival** Cathedral Bluffs Symphony Orchestra Cecilia String Quartet Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery Central Neighbourhood House/ The Neighbourhood Group Central Toronto Youth Services

Centre for Indigenous Theatre Charles Street Video Chiaroscuro Reading Series Children's Peace Theatre Chinese Artists Society of Toronto Chocolate Woman Collective Choirs Ontario Clav and Paper Theatre COBA Collective of Black Artists Coleman Lemieux & Compagnie Common People Community Story Collective Compania Carmen Romero Contact Contemporary Music Contact Toronto Photography Festival Continuum Contemporary Music **Ensemble CORPUS** Craft Ontario Crows Theatre Cue6 Theatre Company Inc. Culchahworks Arts Collective Dance Collection Danse Dance Immersion Ontario Dance Matters Dance **Productions** Dance Ontario Association Dancemakers **DanceWorks** Dancing With Parkinson's Inc. Dead Roads Collective Dia de los Muertos Collective Diaspora Dialogues Charitable

Society	fu-GEN Theatre Company	Performing Artists	Filmmakers of Toronto
Directors Lab North	Fujiwara Dance Inventions	Invention Squad	Literary Managers and
Dixon Hall Music School	F-You: The Forgiveness Project	Iranian Canadian Centre for Arts	Dramaturgs of the Americas,
Doris McCarthy Gallery	Gallery 44 Centre for	and Culture	Canada
Dreamwalker Dance Company	Contemporary Photography	Ismailova Theatre of Dance	Litmus Theatre Collective
Drum Artz Canada	Girls in Bow Ties	Isshin Daiko	Little Pear Garden Dance
Dusk Dances Inc.	Girls Rock Camp Toronto	IVI Magazine	Company
Earwitness Productions	Glad Day Bookshop Proud Voices	Jamii	Long Winter
East Scarborough Boys & Girls	Collective	Jayu Festival Inc	Lost Lyrics
Club	Golden Age	JD Dance	Lula Music and Arts Centre
Echo Women's Choir	group of 27	Jeunesses Musicales Ontario	MABELLEarts
e-fagia visual and media art	Hand Eye Society	Jubilate Singers	Magazines Canada
organization	Harbourfront Corporation (1990)	Jumblies Theatre	Malvern Family Resource Centre
Eight Fest Small-Gauge Film	Health Arts Society of Ontario	junctQín keyboard collective	Mammalian Diving Reflex Theatre
Festival	Heretical Objects Cooperative	Kaeja d'Dance	Group
Eldritch Theatre	Hogtown Collective	Kaha:wi Dance Theatre	Manifesto Community Projects
Elle Productions	Hope and Hell Theatre Co.	Kaisoca Pass De Torch	Inc.
Emerging Young Artists Inc.	Hot Docs Canadian International	Kapisanan Philippine Centre	Maracatu Mar Aberto
Ensemble Polaris	Documentary Festival	KasheDance	Mariposa in the Schools
Esmeralda Enrique Spanish	Human Cargo	Kemi Contemporary Dance	Mashed Collective
Dance Company	IFT (ITS A FREEDOM THING)	Projects	Mayworks Festival
Etobicoke Centennial Choir	THEATRE	Keys To The Studio	Media Arts Network of Ontario
Etobicoke Community Concert	I-Insight	Kick Start Arts Society	Menaka Thakkar Dance Company
Band	imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts	kith&kin	of Canada
Etobicoke Philharmonic Orchestra	Festival	kiy collective	Mercer Union, A Centre for
Expect Theatre	IMPACT 'n Communities	Koffler Gallery of the Koffler Centre	Contemporary Art
Expres Arte	Independent Auntie Productions	of the Arts	Miles Nadal Jewish Community
Exultate Chamber Singers	Indigenous Performing Arts	Korean Dance Studies Society of	Centre
Factory Theatre	Alliance	Canada	Mixed Company Theatre
FADO Performance Inc.	Indigenous Routes	las perlas del mar Productions Inc	MLC Dance
FAWN Chamber Creative	Indigenous Writers' Gathering	Latin American Art Projects	Modern Times Stage Company
FCJ YOUTH NETWORK	Collective	Latin St. Music	Moonhorse Dance Theatre
Feast Collective	Inner City Angels	Le Laboratoire d'Art	Mooredale Concerts
Film For Artists	Inside Out Lesbian and Gay Film	Le Theatre français de Toronto	MotionLive Collective
FRANCO-FÊTE DE LA	Festival Inc.	Le Théâtre La Tangente	Moveable Beast
COMMUNAUTÉ URBAINE DE	InterAccess	League of Canadian Poets	Muhtadi International Drumming
TORONTO	International Readings at	lemonTree theatre creations	Festival
Francophonie en Fete Corporation	Harbourfront	Les AMIS Concerts	Mural Routes Inc.
Franklin Carmichael Art Group	International Resource Centre for	Liaison of Independent	Music Africa of Canada Inc.

Shadowland Theatre Music Mondays Community Outside Looking In Queer Songbook Orchestra Series Pan Trinbago Steelband Quilts@Creek Collective Shakespeare in the Ruff Music Toronto Organization Canada QuipTake Sherbourne Health Centre: SOY Muslimah Making Media Pandemic Theatre Quote Unquote Collective SICK MUSE ART PROJECTS R.I.S.E. Edutainment My Body is My Canvas Paprika Theatre Festival Signal Theatre Nagata Shachu Japanese Taiko Paradigm Productions Raging Asian Women Taiko Sinfonia Toronto SING! The Toronto Vocal Arts and Music Group Parkdale Activity Recreation Drummers National Shevchenko Musical Rainbow Association of Canadian **Festival** Centre Ensemble Guild of Canada Parkdale Beauty Pageant Society **Artists** Singing Out - The Lesbian and Gay Chorus of Toronto Native Earth Performing Arts Inc. Parkdale Village Arts Collective Rear View Curatorial Collective Native Women in the Arts Pax Christi Chorale **Red Dress Productions** Single Thread Theatre Company New Adventures In Sound Art Pea Green Theatre Group SKETCH Working Arts for Street-Incorporated New Music Concerts Peggy Baker Dance Projects Red Pepper Spectacle Arts involved and Homeless Youth Newcomer Girls Action Red Sky Performance Small Theatre Administrative People of Motherland-A World of Red Slam Collective Committee Cultures-Un Monde de Cultures Facility PIECE OF MINE Festival Red Snow Collective Nia Centre for the Arts Small Wooden Shoe Nightswimming Repertory Theatre Pigeon Collective Regent Park Film Festival Inc. Small World Music Society Nightwood Theatre Pink Pluto Regent Park Focus Youth Media Snack Music Collective No.9: Contemporary Art and the Pivot Readings Series Arts Centre Social Circus Circle **Environment** Planet in Focus Social Housing Latin American Regent Park School of Music Northern Visions Independent Plasticine Poetry Series Revolutions Per Minute (RPM) Tenant Association Film & Video Association Platform A reWork Productions Soulpepper Theatre Company Soundstreams Nova Dance Playwrights Guild of Canada Right Path Community Centre Pleiades Theatre southern currents film & video Obsidian Theatre Company Inc. Rina Singha Kathak Dance on the MOVE Collective Pocket Community Association Organization collective One Little Goat Theatre Company pounds per square inch Roseneath Theatre SpeakSudan Ontario Association of Art performance Rowers Pub Reading Series Inc. Spectrum Composers Collective Galleries Prefix Institute of Contemporary RT Collective Speedy Creek Productions ONTARIO PRESENTS Art Inc. Saga Collectif Spoke N' Heard PRESENCIA Open Book Foundation San Lorenzo Latin American Spur-Of-The-Moment Open Door Storytelling Project princess productions Community Centre Shakespeare Collective Open Roof Films Entertainment Inc. ProArteDanza Performance Inc. SAVAC St. James Town Family Literacy Open Studio Professional Association of Scarborough Caribbean Youth Services Opera Atelier Canadian Theatres Dance Ensemble St. Stephen's Community House Opera Five Inc. Project Creative Users Scarborough Film Festival Story Planet Opera in Concert Prologue to the Performing Arts Scarborough Philharmonic Street Voices Orchestra Toronto Public Recordings Performance Orchestra Studio 180 Theatre ORIANA Women's Choir **Projects** Setsuné Indigenous Fashion and Subtle Technologies Orpheus Choir of Toronto Textile Arts Incubator SuiteLife Arts for Youth Puppetmongers Theatre

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Independent Auditors' Report on Summarized Financial Statements

To the Directors of

Toronto Cultural Advisory Corporation (operating as Toronto Arts Council)

The accompanying summarized financial statements, which comprise the summarized balance sheet as at December 31, 2015 and the summarized statements of revenues, expenses and changes in program balances and cash flows for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of **Toronto Cultural Advisory Corporation (operating as Toronto Arts** Council) for the year ended December 31, 2015. We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated June 1, 2016. Those financial statements, and the summarized financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on those financial statements.

The summarized financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Reading the summarized financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of Toronto Cultural Advisory Corporation (operating as Toronto Arts Council).

Management's Responsibility for the Summarized Financial Statements:

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for notfor-profit organizations.

Auditors' Responsibility:

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summarized financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements."

Opinion:

In our opinion, the summarized financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Toronto Cultural Advisory Corporation (operating as Toronto Arts Council) for the year ended December 31, 2015 are a fair summary of those financial statements, in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Hogg, Shain & Scheck P.C.

Toronto, Ontario June 1, 2016

Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Financial Statements

TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council)

Summarized Balance Sheet as at December 31, 2015

ASSETS	2015	2014
Current:		
Cash	\$ 244,037	\$ 287,873
Short-term investments	1,803,935	602,416
Amounts receivable	40,966	25,110
Due from Toronto Arts Foundation	5,390	-
Prepaid expenses	13,709	13,293
	2,108,037	928,692
Capital assets, net	549,383	766,464
	\$ 2,657,420	\$ 1,695,156
LIABILITIES		
Current:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 56,235	\$ 121,730
Due to Toronto Arts Foundation	-	33,750
Cultural Grants Program: grants payable	1,939,260	810,500
	1,995,495	965,980
Deferred contributions for capital asset purchases	 341,607	 480,475
	\$ 2,337,102	\$ 1,446,455
PROGRAM BALANCES		
Operations Program	310,264	70,939
Cultural Grants Program	10,054	1,600
	 320,318	 248,701
Approved by the Board: 1864 Director	\$ 2,657,420	\$ 1,695,156

TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council) Summarized Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Program Balances Year ended December 31, 2015

REVENUES	2015		2014	
City of Toronto grants:				
Cultural Grants Program	\$	16,041,870	\$	16,041,870
Operations Program		1,634,100		1,634,070
Amortization of capital asset grants		138,868		138,868
Other grants and contributions		55,000		40,000
Interest		48,244		59,109
Miscellaneous		86,251		115,735
		18,004,333		18,029,652
EXPENSES				
Grants and awards	\$	16,109,460	\$	16,158,349
Administration		1,488,477		1,498,135
Amortization		243,742		216,982
Adjudication costs		91,037		96,218
		17,932,716		17,969,684
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES		71,617		59,968
PROGRAM BALANCES, beginning of year		248,701		188,733
PROGRAM BALANCES, end of year	\$	320,318	\$	248,701

TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council)

Summarized Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2015

	2015	2014
Cash provided by (used in):		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operations Program	\$ 47,130	\$ 250,535
Cultural Grants Program	1,137,214	(1,131,195)
	1,184,344	(880,260)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES — Operations Program:		
Purchase of capital assets	 (26,661)	 (368,990)
INCREASE IN CASH	1,157,683	(1,249,250)
CASH AND SHORT-INVESTMENTS, beginning of year	890,289	 2,139,539
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS, end of year	\$ 2,047,972	\$ 890,289





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