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### Message from the Chair and the President

Every year, Toronto Arts Council funding supports 21,000 performances, exhibitions, screenings and festivals in this city. All this activity and creativity is fundamental to the growth of our city: it celebrates the full diversity of Toronto: it gives every Torontonian the opportunity to engage both with ideas and with each other; it creates an oasis of positivity in an increasingly polarized climate. Toronto's commitment to the arts helps make our city a beacon to the world.

As board members, we are proud to be Toronto Arts Council's stewards and advocates, and are privileged to support an incredible breadth of artistic projects and organizations. Together with our colleagues, most of them artists themselves, we discuss the challenges facing our sector and find new ways in which TAC can tackle these important issues.

Toronto Arts Council has a longstanding practice of upholding equity as a core value and in 2017 we were proud to implement our Equity Framework. In it, we outline key equity principles and practices, affirming our commitment to work towards a more inclusive community.

Part of what makes TAC such an exceptional organization are the artists that make up the staff, jury members, committee members and board directors. It is truly an artist-centered organization – one that has the success of our city's artists and arts organizations at the heart of its operations.

Our thanks to all our board members, particularly the passionate and committed chairs of our committees who dedicate so many volunteer hours to grants adjudication: Cara Eastcott, chair of the Community Arts Committee: Louis Laberge-Côté, chair of the Dance Committee: Alissa York, chair of the Literary Committee; Avo Leilani and David Dacks, co-chairs of the Music Committee: Lauren Howes and Gaëtane Verna, co-chairs of the Visual/Media Arts Committee: and Soheil Parsa, chair of the Theatre Committee. We would also like to extend our sincere appreciation to outgoing board members Aileen Carroll, Josh Grossman, Devon Ostrom, and Councillors Josh Colle, Shelley Carroll and Paula Fletcher.

We also gratefully acknowledge the many hours of thoughtful and considered work that our jury and committee members have put in over the course of the year. Without their passion and dedication to the arts, TAC's mandate could not be fulfilled. We are incredibly grateful to each and every individual who has contributed so meaningfully to our artistic community.





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Susan Crocker, C.M. Chair Toronto Arts Council

Nova Bhattacharya President Toronto Arts Council

### Message from the Director & CEO

It is once again my great pleasure to report on recent activities of Toronto Arts Council as we support Toronto's extraordinary artists and organizations.

As you peruse these pages, I hope it is evident to you, as it is to all of us here, how fundamentally important the This is why support for Toronto's artists, through arts are to our well-being, and how much they contribute funding increases to Toronto Arts Council, is so vitally to our city. The arts bring communities together; tell our important. It allows us to strategically broaden our stories, reflect our lives and our society back to us, and support, reach every ward of the city and help to bring offer a place where beauty, expression, passion and over 21,000 performances, exhibitions and other arts engagement take pride of place. events to life. I applaud Toronto City Council and our arts community for their support.

Toronto Arts Council, through its programs, not only supports the creative potential of our artists, but enhances the well-being of each and every resident whose life is made better by having access to the transformative power of the arts. Our city's artists and arts organizations are making Toronto a centre of creativity; they give all Torontonians opportunities to experience art and engage with their neighbours.

People of many cultures have made Toronto their home – and for years they have been enjoying the arts together at galleries, music concerts, dance performances, and so much more. These are the places that Toronto's communities come to share energizing, joyful and thought provoking experiences.

And yet, Toronto's artists, while among the most celebrated and highly skilled of our city's residents, are also among the poorest with average incomes

well below the poverty line. We must do better. Our artists - innovators and creators - bring prosperity to Toronto, creating the vibrant communities so attractive to business and tourists.

I would like to thank the tremendous staff – a group of passionate, dedicated and deeply knowledgeable individuals with whom I have the pleasure of working every day. As Toronto Arts Council continues to grow, I look forward to working with our staff, our board, our jury and committee members and our incredible artists towards building an arts city, neighbourhood by neighbourhood, block by block.



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Claire Hopkinson, M.S.M Director & CEO Toronto Arts Council

Toronto Arts Council (TAC) is the City of Toronto's funding body for artists and arts organizations. 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 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.

### **Priorities**

In 2016, Toronto Arts Council released a strategic plan that will guide and support TAC's operations until 2025. Four strategic priorities were identified:

- New investment that realizes the potential of Toronto's artists and arts organizations
- Strong partnerships that extend opportunities, reach and profile of Toronto artists
- Urban leadership that speaks with a compelling voice for a creative, equitable and thriving city
- Responsive granting that reflects the city, embraces technology and builds on success.



# TAC impact by the numbers 2017

# **TAC Funding**

## **TAC Supports**



# **Arts Everywhere**

### 44 of 44

wards have arts programming presented by TAC funded artists and organizations

### 9.4 million

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

# It Takes a City

<b>39</b> TAC Committee Members volunteer their time	<b>29</b> board members provide governance
Almost 100 jury members adjudicate applications for TAC funding	<b>14</b> partner organizations help make TAC funding programs possible
<b>29,500</b> people volunteer at TAC funded arts organizations	

\*includes statistics collected through CADAC drawn from annually funded arts organizations



### **TAC Grants**

Toronto Arts Council funding is an investment in the health of our city. With our grants and partnership programs, we are:

#### Investing in organizations

12 Annual Operating and Multi-Year Operating programs, giving the City's arts institutions the stability and independence to thrive

#### Investing in timely projects

6 *discipline-based Projects programs*, enabling arts organizations, collectives and individuals to create and present new work.

#### Investing in artists

5 *programs for individuals*, giving them the opportunity to explore new concepts independently.

## Investing in Indigenous artists and organizations

*Indigenous Arts Projects*, to increase the creation and presentation of high-quality Indigenous art in the City.

#### Investing in cultural leaders

*TAC Leaders Lab*, enhancing leadership capacity in Toronto's arts and culture sectors.

#### Investing in arts access

Animating Historic Sites, Artists in the Libraries and Animating Toronto Parks, because all Torontonians deserve to experience the benefits of the arts.

#### Investing in innovation

*Open Door*, so that Toronto's arts organizations can continue to lead the way.

#### Investing in newcomers and refugees

*Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship* and *Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement*, to support the integration of the city's newest residents through the arts.

#### Investing in youth

*Artists in the Schools* and *ArtReach*, to encourage generations of artists and arts enthusiasts to come.

## Investing in Toronto's literary community

*What's your Story?* and *Toronto Lit Up!*, providing exposure and learning opportunities for established and emerging authors.

### Investing in capacity-building

*ArtsVest*, giving small- to mid-sized arts and culture organizations the tools and expertise to develop sponsorship opportunities.



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### **Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement**

2017 was the inaugural year of the Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship and Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement programs. Following consultations with members of Toronto's arts and settlement sectors, including newcomer and refugee artists, TAC developed unique programs to increase arts access opportunities for Toronto's newcomers and refugees.

The Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement program provides targeted support to organizations and collectives working with newcomers and refugees through the arts. There have been many studies that cite the benefits of the arts to health and well-being. The arts also play a crucial role in bridging differences and building healthy communities. Through targeted financial support for organizations that engage newcomers and refugees through art creation and participation, Toronto Arts Council is working to ensure that the many benefits of the arts can reach those who are new to the country and may be dealing with trauma.

Sick Muse Art Projects is a community arts collective dedicated to working with refugees and newcomers, specifically those who have experienced violence in their lives. With funding from the Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement program, it offered creative writing workshops entitled The Stories We Share for refugee and/or newcomer women living in Toronto.

The idea for the workshops emerged from Program Director Paola Gomez's own experience as a refugee, and the solace she took in writing. In times of confusion, pain, or loneliness, Gomez took to the pen as a way to process and heal. She wanted to bring the power of the spoken and written word to other women from all over the world, who are united in the often painful and disorienting settlement and immigration process, but who each possess their own voice and experiences.

For Gomez, the value of the workshops went beyond the practice of writing. Coming together and sharing experiences as a group in a safe and welcoming space was just as important. By sharing one's own story through writing, and the workshop activities and discussions that followed, a sense of solidarity was formed; participants felt supported and empowered. Through art, newcomers and refugees to Toronto are working together to heal, understand and form new relationships.

"Placing refugees and newcomers at the centre by creating specific funding stream is very encouraging... It says that their view, experience and voice is also important, and that their contributions and what they have to share is valued." -Paola Gomez, Program Director, Sick Muse Art Projects

### **Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship**

The Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship program break out of my own cycle by provides funding for individual newcomer and refugee reaching out and helping to build professional artists to work with a mentor in their connections for someone else." chosen arts discipline. Artists that are new to Canada Smith says. often face barriers to the integration of their arts Participating artists and mentors practice into their new country, including language, in the program design their new funding systems, lack of knowledge of Canadian mentorships in ways that best arts institutions, and lack of networking opportunities. suit the needs of the mentee. The Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship program The one-year scope of Moneka aims to remove these barriers by matching newcomer and Smith's mentorship began artists with a mentor who can guide them in this new with Moneka becoming an chapter of their life.

In 2017, with help from TAC's Newcomer and Refugee Artist Mentorship program partner Neighbourhood Arts Network, actor and musician Ahmed Moneka was successfully matched with Artistic Director of Driftwood Theatre Jeremy Smith. As a refugee from Iraq, Moneka needed artistic connections in his new home of Toronto. "I need help to integrate and share my artistic knowledge and experience that I brought with me from Baghdad," he explains. Moneka was looking for an opportunity to enter the industry, be a part of the artistic community, and "to help myself feel home."

Smith's interest in becoming a mentor emerged from the desire to build new connections within the theatre community. "By becoming a mentor, I was hoping to

"Jeremy Smith... made me believe more in love, because of his respect, knowledge and experience... This mentorship program returned my life again." - Ahmed Moneka



artist in residence at Driftwood



Theatre, including participation in the creative process of the 2017 production of Othello, and touring across Ontario with the production as Production Assistant. In addition, the two attend shows together, often meeting with the artists afterwards; they meet with various agents, and they've developed a workshop that brings artists of diverse backgrounds together to explore the effect of language on the rhythm of Shakespeare's work. Smith also assisted to write and develop Moneka's own work of theatre.

Through this experience, not only have new opportunities opened up for Moneka, but he has formed a lasting friendship with Smith.

"This mentorship experience has reminded me of the reason I began my journey as an artist in the first place - to share the great wonder and complexity of the world with others. I've been gifted a great bond and new friendship which invigorates and inspires me." - Jeremy Smith

### **Equity First**

Over the years, Toronto Arts Council has played an active role in promoting equity and inclusion in the arts. In 2017, we formalized our position and updated our practices with the release of the Toronto Arts Council Equity Framework.

A number of TAC's new programs were created as a result of our commitment to equity and inclusion, including:

- Accessibility Grants for projects involving Deaf artists and artists with disabilities
- ► Indigenous Arts Projects
- Newcomer and Refugee Artists Mentorship
- Newcomer and Refugee Arts Engagement
- Strategic Initiatives, focused on fostering the arts outside the downtown core

Toronto Arts Council has also introduced a voluntary Self-Identification Form for all applications, and adopted an Equity Priority Policy to ensure that artists that self-identify as belonging to one of Toronto Arts Council's equity priority groups have greater access to TAC funds. In 2018, TAC will introduce an application support fund for artists who are Deaf or have a disability and need support to complete their grant applications.

As equity is a continuous process, the Equity Framework is a "living" document that will be regularly updated. TAC will conduct an annual internal equity review to track progress and identify ongoing challenges to various areas of operations including application and adjudication processes, employment, governance, communications and outreach, and organizational culture.

Equity and inclusion are guiding principles and core values of Toronto Arts Council. TAC recognizes that Canadian art is shaped by the culture of its Indigenous peoples, by the diasporic communities that have settled in Canada from around the world, and by the diverse geographic and identity-based communities that constitute its population. We further recognize that supporting a plurality of perspectives, voices, artistic practices, cultural expressions and aesthetics is critical to the growth, sustainability and evolution of the arts sector. As such, we are committed to ensuring that all qualified artists and arts organizations are provided fair and equitable access to our programs, funds, services and decision-making processes.



### **Toronto Arts Council Board of Directors and Staff**

#### 2017 Board of Directors

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### **Toronto Arts Council 2017** Committees

The peer review process is a vital part of Toronto Arts Council's operating structure, ensuring the integrity of our adjudications and allocations of funds. As artists and cultural leaders, committee members assess hundreds of applications throughout the year in service of the arts sector. Thank you to the following committee members who volunteered their time in 2017:

#### **Community Arts Committee**

Cara Eastcott, Chair Afi Browne Mark Campbell Erika Iserhoff Joy Lapps-Lewis Victoria Mata

#### Dance Committee

Louis Laberge-Côté, Chair Norma Araiza Amanda Hancox Roshanak Jaberizadeh Kate Nankervis Natasha Powell

#### **Literary Committee**

Alissa York, Chair Chrissy Calhoun Patrick Lohier Derek McCormack Music Committee Josh Grossman. Chair (to September 2017) David Dacks, Co-Chair (from October 2017) Avo Leilani, Co-Chair (from June 2017) David Abel Amirali Alibhai Vivian Barclav Jeanne Lamon

#### **Theatre Committee**

Soheil Parsa, Chair Jiv Parasram Indrit Kasapi Joanna Falk Tania Senewiratne Michelle Ramsay Amy Nostbakken David Keeley

Lauren Howes, Co-Chair Gaëtane Verna, Co-Chair Georgina Jackson Jane E. Kim Ed Pien

#### Visual & Media Arts Committee



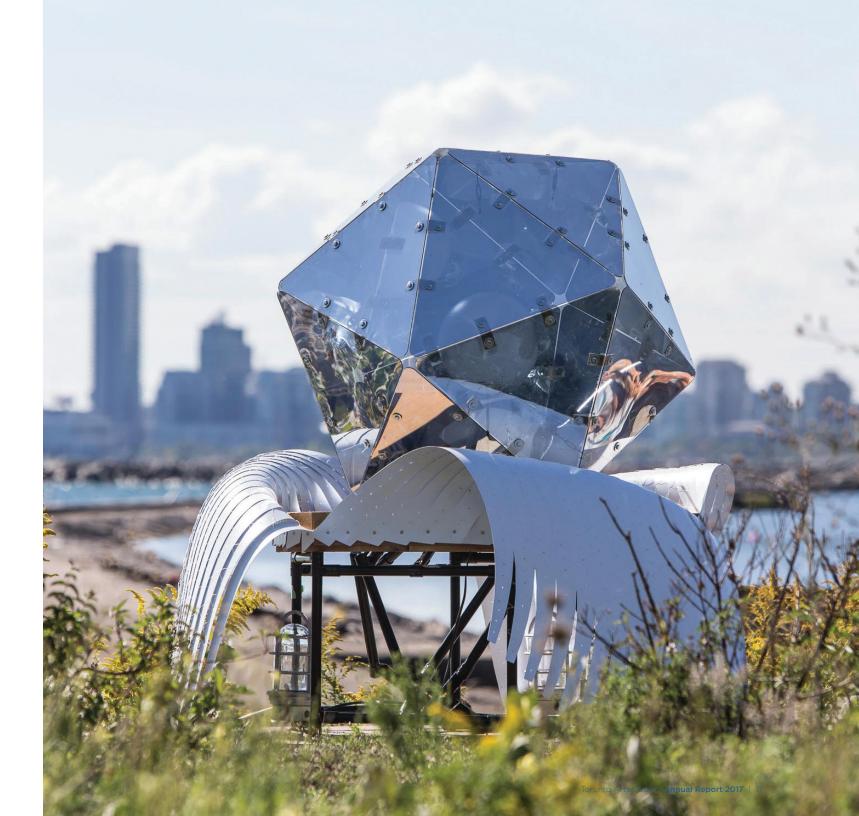
### 2017 Jurors

Toronto Arts Council's peer review process ensures that artists are serving artists. One-time juries are assembled throughout the year by TAC Grants Officers to ensure proper representation of Toronto's arts community, including balance of gender, cultural background, and stage of career. Thank you to the following jurors who assessed grant applications in 2017:

Amanda Acorn Randell Adjei Cole J. Alvis Golboo Amani Minaz Asani-Kanii Ulana Baluk Nova Bhattacharya Antoine Bourges Erin Brandenburg Noa Bronstein Rebecca Carbin Marjorie Chan Emily Cheung Emelie Chhangur So Jin Chun Miles Collyer Alison Cooley Thirza Cuthland Andrea Damiano Menon Dwarka Amelia Ehrhardt Louis Esmé Cruz Rong Fu Rebecca Gimmi Magda Gonzalez-Mora Jenn Goodwin Penny Griffin Anna Patricia Hagoriles Nicole Hamilton Amanda Hancox Jonathan Heppner Catherine Hernandez Layne Hinton Marisa Hoicka Leah Houston Ruth Howard Umair Jaffar Jessie Jakumeit Aaron Jan Anique Jordan Chris Kennedy Louis Laberge-Côté Sandra Anne Laronde Shaista Latif Sally Lee Sean Lee Angela Loft Rabindranath Maharaj Anita Majumdar Afarin Mansouri Tehrani

Lee Maracle Tawiah Ben M'Carthy Micheline McKay Immony Men Michelle Mohabeer Jesus Mora Laura Nanni Ananya Ohri Mike Ormsby Andrew Penner Pham Phuc Huy Raoul Pillay Rui Pimenta Howard Podeswa Elyne Quan Tony Rabalao Eshan Rafi Karyn Recollet Aurelie Resch Ziibiwan Rivers Aislinn Rose Brittany Ryan Jason Ryle Sarah Sands Phillips Robert Sauvey

Joe Savino Mike Schlosser Andrea Scott Nikki Shaffeeullah Ilana Shamoon Samyuktha Sharath Punthambekar **Riley Sims** Kristi Sinclair Autumn Smith Fiona Smyth **Rosary Spence** Cara Spooner Michelle St. John Alanna Stuart Meghan Swaby Kerry Swanson Nadine Valcin Sugith Varughese Marjan Verstappen Jamie Whitecrow Andria Wilson Sagan Yee Gili Zemer



### 2017 Allocation Summary of Grants



### Grants to Arts Organizations and Collectives

		Applications Received		Allocations Awarded	
		\$	#	\$	#
	Community Arts	951,750	24	810,750	24
	Dance	1,462,292	38	1,152,600	38
ING	Large Insitutions	1,980,000	5	1,905,000	5
OPERATING	Literary	184,100	6	160,100	
OPE	Music	2,250,425	60	1,978,715	60
	Theatre	2,872,575	48	2,692,325	48
	Visual/Media Arts	2,448,700	37	1,748,500	37
	SUB-TOTAL	12,149,842	218	10,447,990	218
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	Community Arts	1,048,409	98	557,705	54
	Dance	1,038,454	104	522,750	63

	SUB-TUTAL	4,600,936	470	2,187,513	202
	Visual/Media Arts	437,777	50 <b>476</b>	214,642	27 262
	Theatre	1,281,637	125	483,140	51
PROJECTS	Music	641,559	79	315,696	50
ECT	Literary	153,100	20	93,580	17
S	Dance	1,038,454	104	522,750	63

Grants to Individuals					
	Applications Received Allocations Awarded				
	\$ # \$ #			#	
Music Creation/Re- cording	1,919,985	291	609,981	107	
Visual Artists	2,140,000	304	455,000	65	
Media Artists	1,412,070	175	360,000	44	
Writers / Playwrights	2,428,000	340	604,000	89	
TOTAL	\$7,900,055	1,110	\$2,028,981	305	

Strategic Funding					
Applications Received Allocations Awarded				rded	
		\$	#	\$	#
	Animating Historic Sites	560,004	26	199,950	10
	Animating Toronto Parks	1,195,263	62	493,950	24
su	Artists in the Library	720,000	36	220,000	11
ograi	Indigenous Arts	279,066	25	157,000	17
TAC Programs	Open Door	1,484,200	25	727,550	13
TAC	Performing Arts Facility Support	150,000	20	150,000	20
	TAC Leaders Lab	366,667	33	200,000	18
	Newcomer & Refugee Arts Access	1,370,000	106	350,000	27
	ArtReach Toronto	837,455	85	375,000	34
su	Artists in Schools (TDSB)	130,000		130,000	1
Partner Programs	Business for the Arts (artsVest)	250,000		250,000	1
ner F	Literary Partnerships	160,000	2	160,000	2
Partr	Neighbourhood Arts Network	130,000	2	130,000	2
	North American Indige- nous Games	50,000	1	50,000	1
	TOTAL	\$7,682,655	425	\$3,593,450	181

TOTAL - All Programs			
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	Applications Received Allocations		
TOTAL (all programs)	\$32,333,488	2,229	\$18,257,93





### **Recipients Listing: Organizations**

4:3 Collective A Better World A Space Gallery Aboriginal Curatorial Collective Academy Concert Series Across Oceans Actors Repertory Company Adelheid Dance Projects African Women Acting Afro Jazz Project Against the Grain Theatre Aiding Dramatic Change in Development Akin Collective Projects Alias Dance Project Inc. Alliance Francaise de Toronto Aluna Theatre Amadeus Choir of Greater Toronto Amici Chamber Ensemble Anandam Dancetheatre Productions Anishinaabe Community Spirit Dancers Arab Community Centre of Toronto Archie Allevne Scholarship Fund Arraymusic ArsMusica Community Concerts Art Citv in St. James Town Art Gallery of York University Art Metropole Art Museum University of Toronto Art Spin Toronto Art Starts Artists Film Exhibition Group Arts4All Creative Society

Ashkenaz Foundation Axis Music Inc. b current Performing Arts Corp BABAE Bach Children's Chorus of Scarborough Bad Hats Theatre Bad New Days performing arts **Balance Bringers Ballet Creole** Ballet Jörgen Canada **BAM!** Toronto Youth SLAM Batuki Music Society Bengali Literary Resource Centre (BLRC) Inc **Big Pond Small Fish Art** Productions Black Artists for Black Lives Blue Ceiling Dance Bluejays Dancing Together BoucharDanse Boys In Chairs Collective Brick Literary Collective Buddies in Bad Times Theatre bug collective Burn Down The Capital CADA-ON Cahoots Theatre Cajuca Mas Arts Producers Canada Clown Canadian Children's Opera Company Canadian Contemporary Dance Theatre Canadian Dance Assembly / Assemblée canadienne de la danse Canadian Film in the Schools Canadian Filmmakers

**Distribution Centre** Canadian Foundation for Asian Culture (Central Ontario) Inc. Canadian Music Centre Canadian Roots Exchange Canadian Stage CanAsian Dance Festival CANORAA INC. CANVAS Programs Canzine Arts Festival CARFAC Ontario CaribbeanTales International Film Festival Casa Maiz Cultural Centre Inc. Cathedral Bluffs Symphony Orchestra **Caution Tape Sound Collective** Centre for Indigenous Theatre Changeup Theatre Charles Street Video Chiaroscuro Reading Series Children's Peace Theatre Chinese Artists Society of Toronto Citadel + Compagnie Clay and Paper Theatre Collective 65 Community Arts Guild Community Story Collective Contact Contemporary Music Contact Toronto Photography Festival Continuum Contemporary Music Ensemble Corpoluz Theatre CORPUS Counterpoint Craft Ontario Critical Distance Centre for

Curators Crows Theatre Cue6 Theatre Company Inc. **Dance Collection Danse** Dance Immersion Ontario **Dance Matters Dance** Productions Dance Ontario Association Dancemakers DanceWorks De bouche à oreille Dia de los Muertos Collective Diaspora Dialogues Charitable Society Diaspora Film Festival Group Directors I ab North Discord and Din Theatre Diverting the Stream Dixon Hall Music School DLT DOC Toronto Doris McCarthy Gallery Dreamwalker Dance Company Drum Artz Canada Dusk Dances Inc. Earwitness Productions Echo Women's Choir Eight Fest Small-Gauge Film Festival **Ekran Polish Film Association** Eldritch Theatre Incorporated Ergo Arts Theatre Esmeralda Enrique Spanish Dance Company Estonian Studies Centre **Etobicoke Centennial Choir Etobicoke Community Concert** Band **Etobicoke Philharmonic** 

Orchestra Evan Webber & Frank Cox-O'Connell Eva's Initiatives for Homeless Youth **Exultate Chamber Singers** Factory Theatre FADO Performance Inc. Fall for Dance North Festival Inc. Feast In The East Filament Incubator FIXT POINT Arts and Media Four Directions Festival Franco-Fête de la Communauté urbaine de Toronto Francophonie en Fete Corporation Franklin Carmichael Art Group Friends of the Pan Am Path fu-GEN Theatre Company Fuiiwara Dance Inventions GADFLY Gallerv 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography Generator Performance GHANAFEST Glad Day Bookshop Proud Voices Collective Good Hair Day Productions Harbourfront Corporation (1990) HER Creative TO Holla Jazz Performance Proiects Horizons for Youth Hot Damn It's A Queer Slam Hot Docs HotKnives HOUSE AND BODY

ICOT - Iranian-Canadian Composers of Toronto imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival IMMFR In Association In Print: Art/Lit Publishers United InDANCE South Asian Danc Arts Inc. Indigenous Fashion Week Toronto InkWell Workshops Inner City Angels Inside Out Lesbian and Gav Film Festival Inc. InterAccess International Readings at Harbourfront International Resource Cent for Performing Artists Ipsita Nova Dance Projects Iranian Canadian Centre for and Culture Ismailova Theatre of Dance Jamii **JAYU** Festival Inc JD Dance Jena Yi John B. Aird Gallerv Jubilate Singers Jumblies Theatre Junction Reads Kaeja d'Dance Kaha;wi Dance Theatre Kaisoca Pass De Torch Kapisanan Philippine Centre Keep 6 Contemporary

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	KeepRockinYou
	Kemi Contemporary Dance
	Projects
а	Kick Start Arts Society
	Koffler Gallery of the Koffler
	Centre of the Arts
	Korean Canadian Symphony
	Orchestra Association
	Korean Dance Studies Society
е	of Canada
	Krafty Queers
	Kristin Fung and Sheree
	Spencer
	Labyrinth Musical Workshop
	Ontario
	Lake Effect Projects
	Le Laboratoire d'Art
	Le Theatre francais de Toronto
	League of Canadian Poets
	lemonTree theatre creations
re	Let The Silence Be Heard
	Liaison of Independent
	Filmmakers of Toronto
Art	Limitless Designs
	Literary Managers and
	Dramaturgs of the Americas,
	Canada
	Literature and Film Fan Club
	Little Pear Garden Dance
	Company
	Long Winter
	Lookup Theatre
	Loose Tea Music Theatre
	Lua Shayenne Dance Company
	Lula Music and Arts Centre
	MABELLEarts
	Making Room Community Arts
;	Making Voice
	Mammalian Diving Reflex

Theatre Group Manifesto Community Projects Inc. Maracatu Mar Aberto Mariposa in the Schools Mashed Collective Mayworks Festival M-DO Menaka Thakkar Dance Company of Canada Mercer Union. A Centre for Contemporary Visual Art Mixed Company Theatre Modern Batik Couture Modern Times Stage Company Moonhorse Dance Theatre Moonlight Mooredale Concerts Muhtadi International Drumming Festival Mural Routes Inc. Music Africa of Canada Inc. Music Mondays Community Series Music Toronto Nagata Shachu Japanese Taiko and Music Group National Shevchenko Musical Ensemble Guild of Canada Native Child and Family Services of Toronto Native Earth Performing Arts Inc. Native Women in the Arts New Ambient Modes New Blue Emerging Dance New Harlem Productions New Music Concerts Nia Centre

Nightswimming Repertory Theatre Nightwood Theatre Northern Visions Independent Film & Video Association NOWADAYS THEATRE Obsidian Theatre Company Inc. on the MOVE Collective Ontario Association of Art Galleries Ontario Library Association **Open Book Foundation Open Studio Opera** Atelier Opera Five Inc. Opera in Concert Orchestra Toronto **ORIANA** Women's Choir Orpheus Choir of Toronto Outside the March Theatre Company Inc PAN ARTS NETWORK Pan Trinbago Steelband Organization Canada Pandemic Theatre Paper Canoe Projects Paperhouse Outreach Collective Paprika Theatre Festival Paradigm Productions Parkdale Activity - Recreation Centre Parks N' Wreck Pax Christi Chorale Peggy Baker Dance Projects Phantasmagoria Collective Philip McKee Performance Projects

**Pivot Readings Series** Planet in Focus Plate It Up Collective Playwrights Guild of Canada **Pleiades Theatre** pounds per square inch performance Prefix Institute of Contemporary Art. Inc. PRESENCIA princess productions ProArteDanza Performance Inc Professional Association of Canadian Theatres Project Bookmark Canada Prologue to the Performing Arts Public Access Public Recordings Performance Projects Puppetmongers Theatre Queer Songbook Orchestra QuipTake Quote Unquote Collective **Rainbow Songs Foundation** Red Dress Productions Incorporated Red Pepper Spectacle Arts Red Sky Performance **Red Snow Collective** ReelAbilities Toronto Film Festival Regent Park Film Festival Inc. Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre Revolutions Per Minute (RPM) **Rice Roll Productions** Rina Singha Kathak Dance

Organization **Rock sin Banderas Roseneath Theatre** Rowers Pub Reading Series Inc. Salon du Livre de Toronto San Lorenzo Latin American Community Centre San Romanoway Revitalization Association SAVAC Scarborough Caribbean Youth Dance Ensemble Scarborough Philharmonic Orchestra Shadowland Theatre Shak Shak Shakespeare in the Ruff SICK MUSE ART PROJECTS Signal Theatre Sinfonia Toronto SING! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival Single Thread Theatre Company Sistering - A Woman's Place SKETCH Working Arts for Street-involved and Homeless Youth Small Print Toronto Small Wooden Shoe Small World Music Society Soaring Skies Collective Social Circus Circle (SoCirC) Somewhere There Music Presentation Soulpepper Theatre Company Sounding Out Soundstreams

southern currents film & video collective Spectrum Composers Collective Spiderbones Performing Arts Spoke N' Heard Springboard To Music St. Stephen's Community House StoryCentre Canada Street Voices Studio 180 Theatre Subtle Technologies SuiteLife Arts for Youth SummerWorks Theatre Festival Sundown Theatre Sustainable Textile Art Sustainable Thinking and Expression on Public Space (STEPS) Initiative Svrian Film Festival T.O. Hustle Sessions Tafelmusik Tangled Art + Disability **Tapestry Opera** Tarragon Theatre TB West Community Services **Temporary Collective** Textile Museum of Canada That Choir That's So Gay Collective The 1979 Group The Art Bar The Art of Time Ensemble The Artists Mentoring Youth Proiect Inc. The Broadview Collective

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	Toronto Design Offsite Festival Toronto Downtown Jazz Society Toronto Festival of Comics and Graphic Arts Toronto Heritage Dance Toronto Jazz Orchestra Toronto Jewish Film Festival
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	Toronto Palestine Film Festival
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	Workshop
	Toronto Queer Media & Arts
	Centre
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	Festival Inc.
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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, 2017 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, 2017. We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated May 18, 2018. 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 and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### 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, 2017 are a fair summary of those financial statements, in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### Hogg, Shain & Scheck P.C.

authorized to practice public accounting by the Chartered Professional Accountants Toronto, Ontario May 18, 2018

### **Financial Statements**

TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council)

Summarized Balance Sheet as at December 31, 2017

#### ASSETS

Current: Cash Short-term investments Due from Toronto Arts Foundation Amounts receivable Harmonized Sales Tax recoverable Prepaid expenses

Capital assets, net

#### LIABILITIES

#### Current:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Cultural Grants Program: grants payable Due to Toronto Arts Foundation Deferred revenues

Deferred contributions for capital asset purchases

#### **PROGRAM BALANCES**

Operations Program Loans Program Cultural Grants Program

Approved by the Board:

2017	2016
\$ 523,077	\$ 634,164
1,886,218	1,189,449
-	24,232
252,233	320,575
18,029	15,110
8,233	14,111
2,687,790	2,197,641
87,606	302,544
\$ 2,775,396	\$ 2,500,185
\$ 19,643	\$ 73,387
2,310,006	1,887,438
4,258	-
1,887,438	
2,480,407	1,960,825
63,869	202,737
\$ 2,544,276	\$ 2,163,562
19,577	132,177
178,012	177,687
33,531	26,759
231,120	336,623
\$ 2,775,396	\$ 2,500,185
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TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council) Summarized Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Program Balances Year ended December 31, 2017

REVENUES	2017	2016
City of Toronto grants:		
Cultural Grants Program	\$ 18,179,500	\$ 18,155,621
Operations Program	1,834,100	1,834,100
Amortization of capital asset grants	138,868	138,870
Other grants and contributions	75,000	75,000
Interest	48,676	62,545
Miscellaneous	127,482	104,043
	20,403,626	20,370,179
EXPENSES		
Grants and awards	\$ 18,258,859	\$ 18,234,289
Administration	1,910,032	1,753,794
Amortization	214,938	246,839
Adjudication costs	125,200	118,952
	20,509,129	20,353,874
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(105,503)	16,305
PROGRAM BALANCES, beginning of year	336,623	320,318
PROGRAM BALANCES, end of year	\$ 231,120	\$ 336,623

TORONTO CULTURAL ADVISORY CORPORATION (Operating as Toronto Arts Council) Summarized Statement of Cash Flows Year ended December 31, 2017 \_\_\_\_

Cash provided by (used in): **OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Operations Program** Cultural Grants Program

INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH

CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS, beginning of ye

CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS, end of year

Cash and short-term investments comprise: Cash Short-term investments

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	2017	2016
	\$ 156,017 429,665	\$ (189,242) (35,117)
	585,682	(224,359)
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year	1,823,613	2,047,972
	\$ 2,409,295	\$ 1,823,613
	\$ 532,077	\$ 634,164
	1,886,218	1,189,449
	\$ 2,409,295	\$ 1,823,613



Cover: in time, a solo show by Anisa Tejpar choreographed by Hanna Kiel (2017). Set Design by Joe Pagnan, Lighting by Simon Rossiter Gzowski and Video Design by Jacob Niedzwiecki; photo by Francesca Chudnoff.

Page 1: CORPUS Dance, House Guests (2017), featuring dancers Takako Segawa, Jolyane Langlois and Indrit Kasapi; photo by Jae Yang-Page 5: Dancemakers, Leisure Palace by Resident Artist Amanda Acorn (2017). Pictured dancers: Mary-Dora Bloch-Hansen, Ann Trépanier, Amanda Acorn; photo by Andrew Williamson

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