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## **2022 City of Kingston Arts Fund Operating and Project Grant Recipients Announced**

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2022 City of Kingston Arts Fund (CKAF). CKAF is an annual fund administered by the KAC on behalf of the City of Kingston and it provides Operating and Project Grants to local arts organizations, collectives, and artists to foster creativity at all levels and enrich how Kingston residents experience and engage with the arts. Operating Grants foster sustainability among leading arts organizations by providing funding for operations and programming and Project Grants fund the creation and presentation of arts projects that engage the community and professional artists. For the first time, individual professional artists were eligible to apply to CKAF Project Grants, in addition to non-profit organizations and collectives.

This year, the total CKAF amount available was \$613,503 with \$429,451 available for Operating Grants and \$184,052 available for Project Grants. Applications were reviewed by the Grants Committee jury that was comprised of artists and arts professionals with high standing and expertise of the arts and the Kingston community. Ex-officio members of the Grants Committee support the work of the jury and bring forward broad community perspectives, provide information on the City of Kingston objectives for the CKAF program, and are present to ensure transparency and fairness in the process. Adjudication meetings were hosted on 17 May (Operating Grants) and 19 May (Project Grants).

“The City of Kingston Arts Fund is essential funding, now more than ever, to support Kingston’s arts and culture sector and increase quality of life for our community,” says Felix Lee, Executive Director, Kingston Arts Council. “Despite the challenges of the pandemic, local artists and arts organizations have continued to do innovative work that uplifts and engages us.”

### **Operating Grants**

#### **Jurors:**

Kimberly Dolan  
Kemi King  
Jane Kirby  
Denis Leroux  
Katy Littlejohn

**Ex-officio:**

Felix Lee, Executive Director, Kingston Arts Council  
Violet Tang, Grants and Programs Coordinator, Kingston Arts Council  
Jeff McGilton, Administrative Assistant, Kingston Arts Council  
Danika Lochhead, Manager, Arts and Sector Development, City of Kingston  
Jim Neill, City Councillor, City of Kingston

**Number of Applications:** 12

**Total Requested:** \$492,500

**Number of Grants Awarded:** 11

**Total Awarded:** \$429,451

**Recipients:**

Agnes Etherington Art Centre, \$75,000  
Cantabile Choirs of Kingston, \$29,329  
Centre culturel Frontenac, \$15,300  
H'art Centre, \$13,059  
Kingston Canadian Film Festival, \$47,046  
Kingston Symphony Association, \$75,000  
Kingston WritersFest, \$44,370  
Modern Fuel Artist-Run Centre, \$51,500  
Reelout Queer Film Festival, \$23,232  
Theatre Kingston, \$42,230  
Union Gallery, \$13,385

**Project Grants**

**Jurors:**

David Archibald  
Kristen Leboeuf  
Bethany Garner  
Danuta Sierhuis

**Ex-officio:**

Felix Lee, Executive Director, Kingston Arts Council  
Violet Tang, Grants and Programs Coordinator, Kingston Arts Council  
Jeff McGilton, Administrative Assistant, Kingston Arts Council  
Danika Lochhead, Manager, Arts and Sector Development, City of Kingston  
Peter Stroud, City Councillor, City of Kingston

**Number of Applications:** 22

**Total Requested:** \$287,932

**Number of Grants Awarded:** 17

**Total Awarded:** \$184,052

**Recipients:**

Concert and Workshop Series, Kingston Improvising Musicians Collective, \$12,000  
Electric Circuits Festival of Electronic Music, Performance, & Digital Art, Electric Circuits, \$11,000  
Festival of Live Digital Art, Spiderwebshow Performance, \$12,750  
HARMONIA, Salon Theatre, \$11,000  
HYDRA: A Story on Water, Calliope Collective, \$14,250  
Kingston: A Guidebook from Memory, Amanda Baker, \$9,258  
Make It Local, Orchestra Kingston, \$5,000  
Phantom Bodies: Invisible Pain & Ghostly Intimacies, Stéfy McKnight, \$7,240  
Shortwave Radio Theatre Camp, CFRC 101.9FM, \$14,250  
Skeleton Park Arts Festival, Skeleton Park Arts Festival, \$13,500  
Sounding Board: A Community Conversation, Heather Poechman, \$10,366  
Soundscapes, Sistema Kingston, \$11,664  
Spring Reverb 2023, KPP Concerts, \$8,000  
The Bourgeois Gentleman, Kingston Baroque Consort, \$7,327  
The GroudUP Dance Festival, Movement Market Collective, \$12,267  
The Juvenis Festival 2023, Blue Canoe, \$12,000  
Uncovering Canada, anARC Theatre, \$12,000

Learn more about the Operating and Project Grant recipients and read detailed descriptions of the organizations and projects funded here:

<https://www.artskingston.ca/city-of-kingston-arts-fund-2/>.

To view the 2022 CKAF Report to Council, click [here](#).

### **About the City of Kingston Arts Fund (CKAF)**

In 2007, Kingston City Council established the City of Kingston Arts Fund (CKAF). The Kingston Arts Council was contracted to administer CKAF. Each year, the KAC submits a plan for administering the CKAF and it is approved by City Council. CKAF enables the City to continue to invest in and support the arts, heritage and culture in Kingston. The City has invested close to \$8.6 million in the local arts community since 2007 through this program. Learn more: <http://www.artskingston.ca/city-of-kingston-arts-fund-2/>

### **About the Kingston Arts Council (KAC)**

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) is the region's primary resource for arts information and support. The KAC administers key funding programs, the City of Kingston Arts Fund (CKAF) and the Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development. Through communications, programming, and advocacy, the KAC promotes the creation, development, and appreciation of the arts in Kingston and supports artistic growth and engagement for arts organizations and artists. Throughout the pandemic, the KAC has directly supported artists and arts organizations by providing key programs and distributing essential funding. Learn more about the KAC, its team and Board of Directors here: <https://www.artskingston.ca/about/>.

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