



## **Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award**

The Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award is presented annually by the Nova Scotia Arts and Culture Partnership Council to a community that demonstrates the value it places on the presence of arts and culture in community life. Funded from the Nova Scotia Arts Endowment Fund, the award carries a cash value of \$10,000. The recipient will be required to use the award to continue the integration of arts and culture within the community.

### **Purpose of the Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award**

The purpose of the Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award is to promote arts and culture in Nova Scotia communities by recognizing excellence and initiative in bringing arts and culture into community life.

While the award recognizes past achievements, it provides a community with a cash infusion to enhance future arts and culture activities, thereby strengthening connections within the community through shared experiences.

*Please note:* The winning community will be given the opportunity to report on how the award money increased/improved the arts and cultural activities in their community at the following year's Creative Nova Scotia event.

### **Application Criteria**

Any Nova Scotia community can apply or be nominated by an individual or an organization for the Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award. For the purposes of this award, a "community" is defined as a village, town, city, regional municipality and can include First Nations communities through their Band Councils.

### **Application Process**

Communities must be able to demonstrate a history of support and financial investment in arts and culture activities. Applications must indicate the community's efforts to integrate and celebrate arts and culture. Applications should be made through community organizations, not-for-profit organizations or the community's municipal unit or Band Council.

### **Application Assessment**

Applications will be assessed by a panel composed of artists and cultural workers, municipal representatives and NSACPC members. The panel's membership will reflect Nova Scotia's cultural diversity.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Applications will be assessed based on the following factors:

- ▶ a history of support for and financial investment in arts and culture activities
- ▶ arts and culture activities that are accessible to all community members
- ▶ excellence and innovation
- ▶ arts and culture activities that are present in a variety of ways
- ▶ arts and culture activities that are integral to the community's identity and contribute to pride of place



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## Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award: Application Form

(to be completed by the Applicant/Nominator)

**Deadline:** September 15 (hand-delivered by 4:30pm or postmarked by September 15)

### Community Information

Name of Community \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person/title \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/Box # \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant or Nominator Information

If same as above check here:

Name of primary nominator  
or contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/Box # \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## **Applicant or Nominator's Statement**

**Attach a separate sheet answering the following questions. Please provide specific examples as they pertain to each question.**

- 1 Describe the community's artistic and cultural achievements. Provide examples that show support for and financial investment in arts and culture activities.
  
- 2 How does the community incorporate and celebrate arts and culture within the community?
  
- 3 Are arts and culture activities integral to the communities identity? Please describe.

Date and signature of applicant or nominator:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_