

About the Directory

Organizations are listed alphabetically. Websites are listed directly under the organization's name.

All organizations listed have profile pages, projects and events listed on the Neighbourhood Arts Network website at www.neighbourhoodartsnetwork.org.

You can find even more organizations, projects and events listed on the site, which also includes over 150 individual artists.

Activity locations are listed as Central (Old City of Toronto, York, East York), East (Scarborough), West (Etobicoke), North (North York), or All. For a listing of organizations by area, please see page 36.

For information on becoming a member of the Network, please see page 38.

“From street safety to reclaiming parks for community use to engaging disaffected teens, artists bring fresh, creative energy into Toronto’s neighbourhoods. We are working to help Toronto become a more creative and more liveable city and we believe community-engaged arts programs will play a major role in neighbourhood transformation city-wide”

Claire Hopkinson

Executive Director of Toronto Arts Foundation

“Community-based arts help invigorate and animate the city. The Neighbourhood Arts Network represents a way to capitalize on the potential of the local arts scene to build more vibrant, liveable communities – communities where people want to live and work and businesses want to invest.”

The Honourable Michael Chan

Minister of Tourism and Culture

918 Bathurst

www.918bathurst.com

918 Bathurst Centre for Culture, Arts, Media & Education is an 8,000+ square foot, not-for-profit community arts centre located in Toronto's vibrant Annex neighbourhood one street light north of Bloor. The Centre produces programming and other unique initiatives that serve the artistic, creative, intellectual and professional development of individuals in the arts, education and cultural industries and many other fields. As a facility for educational opportunities, cultural exchanges, special events, theatre performances and challenging art exhibitions, we are inclusive, interdisciplinary, and multidisciplinary. We invite people, groups and organizations to contact us with programming ideas to be held at our venue or to rent our space outright to host their own initiatives.

Contact: info@918bathurst.com 416-538-0868

Address: 918 Bathurst Street, Toronto, M5R 3G5

Locations of activity: Central

AFAC Art For All Canada

www.artforallcanada.org

AFAC works with artists to produce and maintain ever changing original art collections for display in public places for the pleasure of all, providing a continually changing supply of beautiful images to adorn selected walls / display cases. For All Canada charges no commissions to artists and arranges for their work to be seen and enjoyed in business and public settings, we appreciate the support of our sponsors. We run an Annual Artist Conference with presentations and demonstrations to help artists learn more about art mediums and marketing opportunities. This conference is run and attended by artists and is a great networking opportunity to meet artists from all over Ontario.

Contact: sheila@artforallcanada.org 416-756-3221

Address: Don Mills /Finch, Toronto, M2H 1Y7

Locations of activity: All

Aiding Dramatic Change in Development

www.adcid.org

We facilitate the accessibility of theatre, and art as powerful forces for change, particularly to those in marginalized communities. To work on artistically challenging projects where community and cultural dialogue remain at the core. We also conduct evaluations and/or research in collaboration with all of our community partners to monitor and evaluate effectiveness, improve knowledge translation, and inform the work of stakeholders.

Contact: stephen@adcid.org 416-823-4957

Address: 1000 King Street West, Toronto, M6K 3N1

Locations of activity: All

Akwaba Cultural Exchange

www.akwabacultural.com

A forum for cultural activities and interaction through educational programs-workshops & artistic events.

Contact: akwaba.exchange@yahoo.ca 416-938-2320

Address: 644 Willmott Crescent, Milton, L9T 6E9

Locations of activity: All

All The Kings Voices

www.allthekingsvoices.ca

All The King's Voices is a mixed-voice semi-professional vocal ensemble that performs a wide variety of music from classical to contemporary.

They have performed at Roy Thomson Hall, Glenn Gould Studio and Toronto Centre for the Arts, and were featured on CBC Radio, JAZZFM and CityTV. The choir has presented several great classical works with the Mooredale Orchestra and Talisker Players and for the Symphony Orchestra of Canada. They have appeared with such internationally acclaimed singers as soprano Measha Bruggergosman, tenor Ben Heppner and jazz singer Salome Bey. The choir has also performed for several charities including the Childrens Wish Foundation and Doctors Without Borders. Amateur and professional singers are invited to join at anytime. Sight-Singing and Vocal/Choral Technique Courses are also offered.

Contact: king44@sympatico.ca 416-225-2255

Address: 5350 Yonge St., Toronto, M2N 5R5

Locations of activity: Central, North

Art City Toronto

www.artcitytoronto.ca

Art City is a not-for-profit organization committed to providing free and accessible art programs to the children of St. James Town. The creative skills encouraged at Art City promote the development of creative thinking, problem solving, interpersonal skills, confidence and respect in our children, thereby facilitating their future success as members of the St. James Town community and society at large.

Contact: artcitytoronto@gmail.com 416-944-0315

Address: 545 Sherbourne Street Unit 4, Toronto, M4X 1W5

Locations of activity: Central

Art Starts

www.artstarts.net

Art Starts is committed to arts-based community development in the City of Toronto. Art Starts uses the arts as a vehicle to encourage social change in at-risk neighbourhoods. We offer high quality, responsive and relevant creative opportunities to those who do not have access – namely people living in underserved and stressed communities. We bring together professional artists with people from various neighbourhoods and create projects and programs in all artistic media, with all ages, with artists and participants from various ethnic backgrounds. We reflect the cultures of the neighbourhood and build bridges among them.

Contact: info@artstarts.net 416-656-9994

Address: Yorkdale Community Arts Centre, Yorkdale Shopping Centre, 3401 Dufferin St, Lower Level, Toronto, M6A 2T9

Locations of activity: Central, East, North

Art Works Art School

www.artworksartschool.com

Art Works Art School, celebrating its 14th year in the Bloor West Community, is a community based art school whose mandate is to introduce adults, teens and children to the enriching world of art in a positive, creative and healthy environment. Adult programs offer a variety of art lessons for novices as well as more experienced in a supportive and structured environment. Teen classes focus on portfolio preparation for high school, college and university. Children's programs emphasize development of visual awareness and self-expression, confidence in problem solving and comfort with materials.

Contact: info@artworksartschool.com 416-766-0662

Address: 238 Jane St.(north of Bloor/south of Annette), Toronto, M6S 3Z1

Locations of activity: Central, West

Artbarn School

www.artbarnschool.com

Since 2005 Artbarn School has been offering creative art experiences to adults and children in North Toronto. We have developed unique programming in EcoArt for children. Our walls have provided an exhibition venue for many local artists. Our vision for Artbarn School is to utilize neighbourhood environments to provide inspiration for the study of art. Our goal is to educate all ages to be more sensitive to the beauty of the natural and built environment. The art history of many cultures underlies and drives all our programmes. Scholarships are granted to children aged 5 to 12 based on financial need and the artistic potential of the child.

Contact: info@artbarnschool.com 416-518-6108

Address: 250 Eglinton Avenue West, Toronto, M4R 1A7

Locations of activity: North

ArtBridges

www.artbridges.ca

ArtBridges/ToileDesArts is a new, free nationwide web-based social network and interactive information hub for community arts projects/programs/organizations/resources working in under-resourced and under-serviced communities across Canada. ArtBridging [ahrt-brij-ing] verb. Creating networks and collaborations between community arts projects / programs / organizations / resources with the outcome being positive benefits to communities that need hope and opportunity the most.

Contact: sconnell@artbridges.ca 877-278-3002

Address: 215 Spadina Ave, Toronto, M5T 2C7

Locations of activity: All

Arts Etobicoke

www.artsetobicoke.com

Arts Etobicoke's mission is to engage all people in West Toronto with the arts and artists in their own community. To achieve this goal, we provide programs and services designed to increase the accessibility of the arts for residents of Etobicoke, reach and involve special and diverse audiences, create broad community awareness of local arts organizations and artists and develop partnerships and networks to foster and sustain local arts activities. Arts Etobicoke has long been recognized as one of Canada's finest community arts councils in large part because of innovative and quality programming.

Contact: info@artsetobicoke.com 416-622-8731

Address: 4893A Dundas St West, Toronto, M9A 1B2

Locations of activity: West

Arts for Children and Youth

www.afcy.ca

Arts for Children and Youth's mandate is to engage young people living in priority neighbourhoods in high quality, accessible arts educational programming that is meaningful, relevant and collaboratively developed with community and education partners. AFCY positions programs in **under-resourced** schools and community venues as a means to build community and empower marginalized children and youth to reach their full potential through the arts and social contributions. Our mission is to ally with **high priority communities** and empower marginalized young people by engaging them in hands-on, community and school based arts education programs that respect and act on existing cultural and community activity, resulting in participatory action and social awareness.

Contact: info@afcy.ca 416-929-9314

Address: 401 Richmond Street West, Suite #230, Toronto, M5V 3A8

Locations of activity: All

Avenue Road Arts School

www.avenueroadartsschool.com

Avenue Road Arts School offers visual and performing arts classes for toddlers, children, teens and adults in a relaxed and supportive environment.

Contact: kristina@avenueroadartsschool.com 416-961-1502

Address: 460 Avenue Road, Toronto, M4V 2J1

Locations of activity: Central

Bavia Arts

www.baviaarts.com

Bavia Arts, a hub for cultural and artistic activities in the heart of St Clair West hip strip, hosts an amazing roster of international artists and companies each offering their unique classes and services. Founded in 2008 by Luciano Porto, Bavia Arts has created a unique space in the city that threads the gap between artists and the public offering opportunities for authentic cultural experiences and exchanges. The facilities consist of a dance studio 1,200 sq ft sprung dance floor, two multi-use studios 380 sqft, reception/gift-shop, change rooms, sound proof music studio and private offices. We offer programming for kids, families, daycares and schools, including Brazilian drumming, capoeira and dance.

Contact: info@baviaarts.com 416-658-8980

Address: 898 St Clair Ave W, , M6C 1C5

Locations of activity: Central

Canadian Children's Dance Theatre

www.ccdt.org

CCDT is a modern dance repertory company founded in 1980 to present gifted next-generation artists in professional productions. The company has staged more than 1,000 performances from Barrie to Beijing. CCDT dancers work with celebrated Canadian choreographers in productions for audiences of all ages.

Contact: development@ccdt.org 416-924-5657

Address: 509 Parliament Street, Toronto, M4X 1P3

Locations of activity: Central

Canadian Music Centre - Ontario

www.musiccentre.ca

The CMC is the primary place to discover music by Canada's largest community of professional composers. We house a 20,000-piece free-lending library and offer a suite of public programs and interactive online resources that stimulate awareness, appreciation, performance, recording and broadcast of Canadian contemporary music.

Contact: ontario@musiccentre.ca 416-961-6601

Address: 20 St. Joseph St., Toronto, M4Y 1J9

Locations of activity: All

Canadian Stage

www.canadianstage.com

Founded in 1987, Canadian Stage is one of Canada's leading not-for-profit contemporary theatre companies. Led by Artistic & General Director Matthew Jocelyn, Canadian Stage produces innovative theatre work from Canada and around the world. Canadian Stage has a long-standing commitment to public education and enhancement programs. We are also committed to investing in theatre and the arts by nurturing and developing theatre professionals, while producing thought-provoking work and quality entertainment.

Contact: youth@canadianstage.com 416-367-8243

Address: 26 Berkeley Street, Toronto, M5A 2W3

Locations of activity: Central

Cedar Ridge Creative Centre

www.toronto.ca/culture/cedar_ridge.htm

Cedar Ridge Creative Centre is a vibrant arts and cultural hub housed in a historic mansion. Cedar Ridge offers a variety of ten-week art programs for adults, including: Watercolours, Portraiture, Drawing & Painting, Pottery, Sculpture, and Weaving. To complement our course offerings, there are a variety of special interest workshops programmed each session in disciplines such as fibre arts, printmaking, culinary arts and more. Cedar Ridge also offers a variety of inter-generational art programs where the whole family can learn together.

Contact: crcc@toronto.ca 416-396-4026

Address: 225 Confederation Drive, Scarborough, M1G 1B2

Locations of activity: East

Circus Alchemy

www.circusalchemy.com

Through fire, dance, and character work Circus Alchemy creates interactive, colourful, and fun environments for all audiences; from the very young to the young at heart, casual events or corporate galas. Our members are all committed to furthering their arts through: regular practice of technical skills, explorations of musicality and stage presence, and development of professional business skills. We aim to provide a wide variety of performances from single person acts to full length feature shows.

We also offer workshops for youth and adults, because we believe that spectacle arts are for everyone! Passionate, inspired, talented... Circus Alchemy is ON FIRE!

Contact: info@circusalchemy.com

Address: Toronto

Locations of activity: All

City of Craft

www.cityofcraft.com

City of Craft is an annual indie craft fair and exhibition in Toronto. It is also an organization that runs other crafty programming throughout the year. City of Craft is awesome.

Contact: cityofcraft@gmail.com

Address: c/o the workroom 1340 Queen Street West, Toronto, M6K 1L4

Locations of activity: Central

COBA Collective of Black Artists

www.cobainc.com

COBA presents Traditional West African dance, music and folklore; Caribbean indigenous folk dance, music and rituals in their purest forms possible for the theatrical stage. We also create contemporary works developed from an Africanist movement aesthetic that reflects African social realities in a global context.

Contact: info@cobainc.com 416-658-3111

Address: 2444 Bloor St W, 2nd Floor, Toronto, M6S 1R2

Locations of activity: All

Community Arts Ontario

www.communityartsontario.ca

Community Arts Ontario is a provincial service organization comprised of cultural centres, community arts groups, municipalities, artists and public supporters. CAO cultivates and connects the arts, artists and people across Ontario from urban, rural and remote communities, and provides network, exchange, and professional development opportunities for community arts practitioners.

Contact: cao@communityartsontario.ca 416-598-1128

Address: 354 - 401 Richmond St. West, Toronto, M5V 3A8

Locations of activity: All

Contact Contemporary Music

www.contactcontemporarymusic.ca

Contact Contemporary Music is a contemporary music ensemble and concert producing organization that highlights collaborations with other media, established and emerging composers, performances in alternative spaces, and outreach to underserved communities that stress diversity, collaboration and accessibility. In addition to concert productions, Contact Contemporary Music presents the Toronto New Music marathon at Yonge-Dundas Square and Music From Scratch, a summer workshop for youth.

Contact: info@contactcontemporarymusic.ca 416-902-7010

Address: 23-552 Church Street, Toronto, M4Y 2E3

Locations of activity: Central

Creative Spirit Art Centre

www.creativespirit.on.ca

Creative Spirit Art Centre is a public art gallery and visual art studio “dedicated to advancing the creative power in people with disabilities” . CSAC helps artists with disabilities to make, exhibit and sell their art, and to integrate artists with disabilities into the mainstream arts community. The permanent collection is: Art Brut, Outsider Art, Folk Art and art created by artists with disabilities. We house a resource and information centre on art and disabilities. We are a registered charity with Revenue Canada Charities Division and members of CARFAC, CMA, OOAG and OMA. and International Affiliates of VSA arts.

Contact: csac@creativespirit.on.ca 416-588-8801

Address: 999 Dovercourt Road, Toronto, M6H 2X7

Locations of activity: Central

Creative Village Studio

www.communitylivingtoronto.ca

Creative Village Studio is a community based art studio operated by Community Living Toronto -a recognized leader offering a full range of personalized support and services to people with an intellectual disability and their families. The vision of Creative Village Studio is to provide a supportive space for artists with varying abilities in order to enrich lives through creative expression.

Contact: htomlinson@cltoronto.ca 647-351-4362

Address: 4895 Dundas Street West, Toronto, M9A 1B2

Locations of activity: West

Creative Vocalization Studio

www.honeynovick.com

We teach creative vocalization, a unique approach for vocal self expression. We produce music and literary events including Womanvoice, National Poetry month. We represent singer/songwriter/poet Honey Novick.

Contact: creativevocalizationstudio@hotmail.com 416-782-7944

Address: Suite 208-707 Eglinton Avenue West, Toronto, M5N 1C8

Locations of activity: Central

Creative Works Studio

www.creativeworks-studio.ca

The Creative Works Studio offers healing and recovery through creative arts. Our studio provides an oasis from the daily rigors and challenges of life for people living with severe mental illnesses or addictions. A St. Michael's Hospital Inner City Health program in partnership with the Good Shepherd Non-profit Homes Inc.

Contact: zuberma@smh.toronto.on.ca 416-465-5711

Address: 793 Gerrard Street East, Toronto, M4M 1Y5

Locations of activity: Central

Crisalida Cultural Project

www.crisalida.ca

Crisalida (in English chrysalis; middle point between the caterpillar and butterfly) is a non-profit arts organization whose mission is to build vibrant, healthy, civically engaged communities through innovative community-based arts practice among the diverse communities of the GTA. Crisalida is a space for personal and community development. People from different ages and walks of life converge in an artistic experience that allows them to be truly heard and acknowledged, reconnect with their roots, explore hidden talents, extend their social networks, and develop a positive sense of pride and ownership of the community where they live.

Contact: crisalida.proyectocultural@gmail.com 416-890-3271

Address: 292 Westmoreland Avenue, Toronto, M6H 3A5

Locations of activity: Central, North

Cultura

www.cultura2010.ca

Cultura will be returning for its second year at Mel Lastman Square every Friday night this summer from July 8th – August 12th. The festival includes a selection of great international food, buskers, music, performance art, and an outdoor movie. The event raises money each week for a local charity. We are seeking local musicians and performance artists. This is a great opportunity to showcase your talent with possible media exposure.

Contact: mbuhagi@toronto.ca 416-395-6411

Address: Mel Lastman Square, 5100 Yonge Street, Toronto

Locations of activity: North

Dale Hamilton Everybody's Theatre Company

www.communityengagedtheatre.ca

Everybody's Theatre Company was founded in 1989 by Artistic Director Dale Hamilton, arising out of the Eramosa Community Play Project, often described as the first all-inclusive, community-engaged theatrical production in Canada, which in turn acted as a major catalyst in the community arts movement. ETC has developed its own unique approach to community-engaged theatre, including the concept and practice of active promenade (theatrical walks), echo casting, community soundings and community comoras. Since 2005, ETC has also collaborated with Lateral Strategies, an international consulting company based in New York City, to offer creative community development workshops and trainings in Canada, the U.S, the Netherlands and Africa, with upcoming workshops in South East Asia.

Contact: dale@hsfx.ca 416-804-4410

Address: 81 Astoria, Toronto, M6N 2V6

Locations of activity: Central

DanceWorks

www.danceworks.ca

DanceWorks - celebrating past and present and embracing future choreographic voices. DanceWorks began as a collective of independent dance artists in 1977 and has grown to become Toronto's leading presenter of independent dance. Strong in the belief that dance has the power to illuminate, engage and transform all who participate, DanceWorks offers seasons of eclectic, exhilarating choreography programmed to intrigue, challenge and enthrall. DanceWorks adds to your theatrical experience with Carol's Dance Notes and post-performance conversations with artists. DanceWorks is the administrator of the CanDance Network and Dance Ontario Association.

Contact: natasha@danceworks.ca 416-204-1082

Address: 55 Mill St., Case Goods Building (74) #304, Toronto, M5A 3C4

Locations of activity: Central

Diaspora Dialogues

www.diasporadialogues.com

Diaspora Dialogues supports the creation and presentation of new fiction, poetry and drama that reflect the complexity of the city through the eyes of its richly diverse writers. Publishing and mentoring activities, as well as a monthly multidisciplinary performance festival, help encourage the creation of a literature that is vibrant and inclusive, while bringing these works to a wide audience.

Contact: info@diasporadialogues.com 416-944-1101

Address: 170 Bloor Street West, Suite 804, Toronto, M5S 1T9

Locations of activity: Central

DreBu

www.drebu.org

Founded in 2009, our vision is a vibrant and dynamic Tibetan arts and culture movement contributing innovatively within a truly diverse Canadian and global culture; a movement that promotes creativity, collaboration, openness and sustainability.

Contact: drebu.org@gmail.com

Address: 66 Gwynne Ave, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central, West

Drum Artz Canada

www.drumartz.com

Drum Artz Canada (DAC) is a registered charity committed to making music and arts programming accessible to all people regardless of age, class, race, (dis)ability or gender. With a range of educational programs headed by professional artists, DAC encourages creative expression, team building, youth leadership and self-esteem.

Contact: info@drumartz.com 416-538-6342

Address: 27 Primrose Avenue, Toronto, M6H 3V1

Locations of activity: Central

East Danforth Creative Collective

www.artofthedanforth.com

The East Danforth Creative Collective aims to facilitate the creation of diverse, cultural activities through projects that strengthen and unite communities in East Toronto. The EDCC has informally existed since September 2009, when a group of arts professionals and community members came together to produce the Art of the Danforth, a 10 day art walk in East Toronto held April/May 2010.

Contact: info@eastdanforthcreative.com 416-302-5233

Address: 91 Linsmore Crescent, Toronto, M4J 4K3

Locations of activity: East

Embracing Intersectional Diversity Project

www.tomeesojourner.com

Embracing Intersectional Diversity Project is a not-for-profit organization with locations in Toronto, Ontario and Montreal, Quebec. Our scope is national, and our reach is global. As a national organization, the EID Project provides organizational and community development training, and diversity and oppression awareness workshops to medium and large not-for profits. Our work focuses on connecting communities together, and bringing the lived experiences, narratives, knowledge, creativity, and contributions of diverse groups, including queer women of colour, youth of colour, queer youth of colour, trans folks, First Nations and Two-Spirited folks, white allies, and folks living with visible and/or 'invisible' disabilities, into the centre.

Contact: eidproject@tomeesojourner.com 514-487-3891

Address: 262 Hastings Ave, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

Emerging Arts Professional Network

www.eapnetwork.ca

Established in 2006, the Emerging Arts Professional Network is a not-for-profit Canada wide community of over 3,000 arts administrators, managers and artists at the start of their careers. The EAP Network provides an online community network, career resource and informal professional development opportunities for arts administrators, managers and artists. In addition to partnering with many local arts and arts service organizations, our popular events include an informal networking series called EAP Connects and ARTSMASH! Where the Arts & Business Collide - offering opportunities for individuals from all artistic disciplines as well as sectors outside the arts to share best practices and the how-tos behind innovative projects.

Contact: info@eapnetwork.ca

Address: 215 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, M5T 2C7

Locations of activity: All

Exhibit Change

www.exhibit-change.com

Exhibit Change is a think tank and consultancy, encouraging impact through design thinking and playful curiosity. Exhibit Change designs programming to understand landscapes and culture by partnering with community organizations in design driven community engagement strategies and creative thinking facilitation. Exhibit Change is a catalyst for stronger communities, healthier neighborhoods and empowered people.

Contact: jennifer.chan@exhibit-change.com 647-801-2426

Address: Toronto, M5B 2P7

Locations of activity: Central

Expect Theatre

www.expect.org

In 1996 Laura Mullin and Chris Tolley formed Expect Theatre, a registered charitable organization dedicated to producing cutting edge productions and programs that explore modern urban life. Over their fourteen year tenure with Expect, Mullin and Tolley's work has been seen by nearly half a million young people across Canada and the United States. With a strong focus on hip, diverse story lines, their many workshops and shows have attracted international media attention and have been embraced by a wide range of audiences, from rural east coast Canada to inner-city New York City.

Contact: info@expect.org 416-960-2202

Address: 55 Mill St, Bld 74, Studio 208, Distillery District, Toronto, M5A 3C4

Locations of activity: Central, West

For Youth Initiative

www.foryouth.ca

At FYI we aim to encourage civic engagement and increase access to educational, recreational, economic and cultural opportunities. FYI recognizes the severity of needs of the large number of marginalized and youth at risk in the communities we serve. As such, FYI is committed to provide relevant services that are initiated and managed by local youth in the immediate community. In full recognition of the barriers to full and equitable participation faced by youth FYI strives to create opportunities that involve youth in community program planning, development, decision-making and implementation.

Contact: lynn@foryouth.ca 416-785-9900

Address: 1669 Eglinton Avenue West, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

Fred Victor

www.fredvictor.org

Fred Victor is a multi-service non profit organization offering a continuum of community services, housing options and advocacy for adults who are experiencing homelessness, marginalization and poverty. We support people in their efforts to manage the stresses of life and to achieve their goals. We provide secure housing, affordable meals, individual and group support, and opportunities for learning, developing skills and expressing creativity. The art program provides a creative forum for artists to share their art, tell their stories and celebrate their talents. The art program provides flexible drop in style programming and is open to all members of the Fred Victor community.

Contact: etrentadue@fredvictor.org 416-364-8228

Address: 145 Queen St. East, Toronto, M5A 1S1

Locations of activity: Central

fu-GEN Asian-Canadian Theatre Company

www.fu-gen.org

fu-GEN is a not-for-profit theatre company dedicated to the development of professional Asian Canadian theatre artists through the production of new and established works. We want to be the ones to see the dreams of talented Asian Canadian theatre artists through to realization. We want to be the stepping-stone to their emerging and establishing careers, the place to practice and hone their craft. We want to be an integral part of their artistic journey and growth. We exist to make our artists and our stories visible in the theatre community, the Toronto community, and the Canadian community at large.

Contact: jenna@fu-gen.org 416-920-2828

Address: 207-157 Carlton St., Toronto, M5A 2K3

Locations of activity: Central

Gallery 44

www.gallery44.org

Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography is a non-profit artist-run centre committed to the advancement of photographic art. Founded in 1979 to establish a creative, supportive environment in which photography could flourish, today our centre consists of an art gallery, resource centre, darkroom and production facilities. We offer education programs, weekend workshops and gallery tours, and serve a rapidly growing membership of artists and photo enthusiasts. Our goal is to expand the understanding and appreciation of photography as an artistic medium.

Contact: info@gallery44.org 416-979-3941

Address: 401 Richmond St. W. Suite 120, Toronto, M5V 3A8

Locations of activity: Central

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital

www.hollandview.ca/centreforthearts

We are an arts organization dedicated to offering unique arts opportunities to children and youth aged 3-18 in an inclusive environment. Our programming runs year round, with weekend and after-school programs fall through spring and our Spiral Garden and Dance Theatre camps in the summer. Practicing artists lead children in music, visual arts, movement and more in our studio and garden settings. We invite children of all abilities to engage in a creative process that values the contributions of all participants.

Contact: sdobbs@hollandbloorview.ca 416-425-6220

Address: 150 Kilgour Road, Toronto, M4G 1R8

Locations of activity: North

Inner City Angels

www.innercityangels.ca

Inner City Angels brings innovative and accessible rich topic inspired interdisciplinary and visual arts programs to children in Toronto inner city and priority neighbourhood schools.

Contact: innercityangels@mac.com 416-598-0242

Address: 55 Mill St., Studio 203, Bldg 74 Distillery District, Toronto, M5A 3C4

Locations of activity: All

Ismailova Theatre of Dance

www.ismtheatreofdance.blogspot.com

Ismailova Theatre of Dance brings theatre and dance together to express sincere feelings, tell real stories, show touching characters and dreams through original choreography. Dancers and actors of Ismailova Theatre of Dance work in various dance styles such as classical ballet, contemporary dance, traditional folk dance, commercial dance, contact improvisation, musical theatre, physical theatre. The Ismailova Theatre of Dance regularly performs on various stages of the city and provides free or low cost educational opportunities in dance, acting and singing.

Contact: ismtheatreofdance@gmail.com 647-829-4839

Address: 2-32 Charles St W, Toronto, M4Y 1R5

Locations of activity: Central

Jumblied Theatre

www.jumbliedtheatre.org

Jumblied Theatre was founded by Ruth Howard in 2001 to root her artist-community collaborative work in Toronto. Jumblied makes art for, with and about people and places. We reside for several years in one neighbourhood, with interweaving phases of outreach, research, creation, production and legacy/sustainability, involving hundreds of people of all ages and backgrounds, partners from many sectors and artists from diverse disciplines and traditions. These residencies bring to life both large-scale, highly produced original productions and a multitude of creative activities along the way. Jumblied's residencies and productions have taken place in South Riverdale, Lawrence Heights, Davenport Perth, Central Etobicoke, Camp Naivel (Brampton), and currently in East Scarborough.

Contact: info@jumbliedtheatre.org 416-203-8428

Address: Cedar Ridge Creative Ctre., 225 Confederation Dr., Toronto, M1G 1B2

Locations of activity: Central, East, West

Kalaikal Creative Arts

www.kalaikal.com

Kalaikal Creative Arts also known as KCA, is a not for profit arts organization to sustain and develop Tamil arts and Artists.

Contact: publicrelations@kalaikal.com 1-800-971-3656

Address: 1770 - 250 The East Mall, Toronto, M9B 6L3

Locations of activity: West

Kapisanan Philippine Centre for Arts and Culture

www.kapisanancentre.com

The K is Toronto's premiere Filipino-Canadian arts and cultural facility. We are a gathering of hyphenates, empowering artists and entrepreneurs through positive and critical cultural identification. As a youth-driven centre with an inter-generational sphere, we are a creative collective focused on the professional development of Filipino artists and entrepreneurs. Since 2005, the K has established itself as a multi-disciplinary hub where mentors exhilarate artistic expression, professionalism and positive cultural identification into Toronto's broader Filipino community. We explore performance, design, visual and literary arts, music, film and video by means of arts-based career mentorship, arts and cultural workshops and events.

Contact: info@kapisanancentre.com 417-979-0600

Address: 167 Augusta Ave., Toronto, M5T 2L4

Locations of activity: Central

Latin American Arts Centre Collective

www.laacc.ca

The Latin American Arts Centre Collective is a not-for-profit organization created in September 2010 by four Toronto based art organizations; the Latin American Canadian Art Projects (LACAP), Alucine Latino Film and Video Festival, Alameda Theatre Company and Aluna Theatre Company. The collective's mission is to establish a physical space where Latin American art and art history can be showcased, interpreted, taught and practiced. It brings together a group of individuals working independently, but with the support of the founding art organizations, and in conjunction with them through an advisory board.

Contact: laaccollective@gmail.com

Address: 601 Christie Street, Suite 255, Toronto, M6G 4C7

Location of activity: Central

LACAP Latin American Canadian Art Projects

www.lacap.ca

LACAP (Latin American Canadian Art Projects) is a Toronto-based, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the implementation of various cultural art projects, which promote the unity of the Latin American population in Canada. LACAP fosters economic development and the well being of artists and the community at large. Our vision is to support artists in their careers, contribute by strengthening the local arts industry and helping build a sense of community.

Contact: lapac@bellnet.ca 416-656-5687

Address: 255 - 601 Christie Street, Toronto, M6G 4C7

Locations of activity: Central

Lakeshore Arts

www.lakeshorearts.ca

Lakeshore Arts is a not for profit community arts organization that promotes art making, celebrates local artists and uses art as a catalyst to engage, entertain, educate and inspire.

Contact: lakeshorearts@bellnet.ca 416-201-7093

Address: 2422 Lake Shore Blvd. West, Toronto, M8V 1C4

Locations of activity: West

Mariposa In The Schools

www.mariposaintheschools.ca

Mariposa in the Schools has been sharing and passing on tradition-based performing arts experiences to children and youth since 1969. As an arts education program our professional artists provide music, dance, storytelling, spoken word and puppet theatre performances and workshops that feature oral cultural traditions from around the world, as well as interdisciplinary collaborations and teacher education. These tradition-based art forms celebrate, critique and share knowledge, demonstrating the value of cross-cultural understanding and intergenerational continuity and ultimately contribute to building caring, joyful communities.

Contact: info@mariposaintheschools.ca 416-462-9400

Address: 55 Mill St. Case Goods Bld.# 74, Studio 203, Toronto, M5A 3C4

Locations of activity: All

Mayworks Festival

www.mayworks.ca

Mayworks Festival of Working People and the Arts is a multi-disciplinary arts festival that celebrates working class culture. Founded in 1986 by the Labour Arts Media Committee of the Toronto and York Region Labour Council, Mayworks is Canada's largest and oldest labour arts festival. The Festival was built on the premise that workers and artists share a common struggle for decent wages, healthy working conditions and a living culture. Mayworks' goal is to promote the interests of cultural workers and trade unionists, and to bring working-class culture from the margins of cultural activity onto centre stage.

Contact: coordinator@mayworks.ca 416-599-9096

Address: 25 Cecil Street, Toronto, M5T 1N1

Locations of activity: Central

Mixed Company Theatre

www.mixedcompanytheatre.com

Mixed Company Theatre produces innovative, socially relevant drama as a tool for positive change. Founded as an artist-run collective in 1983, Mixed Company today uses Forum Theatre and interactive arts to educate, engage and empower audiences in schools, communities and workplaces. More than 100 Forum Theatre productions have been developed for people of all ages and backgrounds, spotlighting issues of diversity, family relationships, peer pressure, sexual and mental health (including STI and HIV under the City of Toronto's Public Health), racism, homelessness, leadership, drug and alcohol abuse, and violence. Mixed Company has toured internationally, facilitating Forum Theatre projects from Helsinki to Kiev, Istanbul to Rio de Janeiro.

Contact: info@mixedcompanytheatre.com 416-515-8080

Address: 157-Carlton St, Toronto, M5A 2K3

Locations of activity: All

Momentum Dance Toronto

www.momentumdancetoronto.com

Momentum Dance Toronto (MDT)'s vision is to bring together adults from different walks of life and varied dance backgrounds; to provide creative outlets through classes, teaching, choreography and performance; and to develop a sense of comraderie through dance.

Contact: info@momentumdancetoronto.com 416-556-5449

Address: Toronto Dance Theatre, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

Music for Life

www.musicforlifetoronto.com

Music for Life promotes the integration of music into everyday family life through baby/toddler classes, private lessons, and family-friendly recordings and performances

Contact: eva.vanderberg@gmail.com 647-340-7947

Address: 262 Highfield Road, Toronto, M4L 2V5

Locations of activity: Central

Opera Atelier

www.operaatelier.com

Opera Atelier holds a unique place in the North American theatre community, producing opera, ballet and drama from the 17th and 18th centuries. These productions draw upon the aesthetics and ideals of the period, featuring soloists of international acclaim, period ballet, original instruments, elaborate stage decor, exquisite costumes and an imaginative energy that sets Opera Atelier apart. Opera Atelier is not in the business of “reconstruction”, rather, each production is a new creative effort and takes its own place in history. Opera Atelier strives to create productions that would have been recognized and respected in their own time while providing a thrilling theatrical experience for modern audiences.

Contact: nancy.hitzig@operaatelier.com 416-703-3767

Address: 157 King Street East, 4th Floor, Toronto, M5C 1G9

Locations of activity: Central

Paprika Festival

www.paprikafestival.com

We are the home of the emerging artist: Toronto’s only free theatre festival celebrating the work of young and emerging artists, primarily those who are 21 and under. We provide application-based opportunities to learn more about theatre creation from the best in the business. We are an exciting and essential part of the artistic community and we are proud of what we do. And this year it’s our 10th anniversary—so you know it’s going to be crazy awesome. Now that’s hot.

Contact: info@paprikafestival.com 416-476-4762

Address: c/o Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman Avenue, Toronto, M5R 1X3

Locations of activity: Central

Peace Theatre

www.peacetheatre.org

Peace Theatre is an award-winning community arts organization, serving the children and youth of Toronto. Our work is based on the belief that conflict is inevitable, but peace is possible when people face conflict with courage, compassion and creativity. Peace Theatre offers a wide range of programming for children and youth, including in-school-time workshops, after-school programs, weekend activities and a three-week summer camp. Peace Theatre’s home is the historic Massey-Goulding Estate, owned by the City of Toronto, in the beautiful, natural ravine setting of Taylor-Massey Creek Park in east-end Toronto.

Contact: karen@childrenspeacetheatre.org 416-752-1550

Address: 305 Dawes Road, Toronto, M4B 2E2

Locations of activity: East

pounds per square inch performance

www.poundspersquareinch.ca

pounds per square inch performance (lbs/sq") is a not-for-profit charitable organization that fosters the exploration and creation of contemporary performance through the vision of its founder and Artistic Director Gerry Trentham. The company's two-fold mandate is: to assist in the creation, production and dissemination of works by Gerry Trentham. Rooted in dance and developed through interdisciplinary dialogue, Trentham's work investigates and extends the range and power of the body to reveal human experience; and to innovate and foster environments that support exploration and research into contemporary performance. The company supports process-driven training grounds, research gatherings and mentorship opportunities.

Contact: gerrytrentham@mac.com 416-738-1936

Address: 490 Adelaide St. W., Suite 201, Toronto, M5V 1T2

Locations of activity: Central

princess productions

www.princessproductions.ca

princess productions is the keystone of Yvonne Ng's activities as an Artistic Director, Choreographer, Performer, Teacher, Presenter, Producer and Curator of contemporary dance. The organization is an incorporated, not-for-profit, charitable organization. The mission of the organization supports the activities of tiger princess dance projects and dance: made in canada/fait au canada.

Contact: yvonne@princessproductions.ca 416-533-8577

Address: 490 Adelaide St. W., Suite 201, Toronto, M5V 1T2

Locations of activity: Central

Red Bear

Red Bear is a non-profit collective of First Nations and non-First Nations educators, artists, storytellers, literacy workers and like minded souls who have a vision of using the story as a way of helping to find balance, healing and acceptance for all who live on this planet. We hold story circles, create sensory workshops for children, produce digital stories and provide a welcoming space for all who want to hear and share stories.

Contact: jimadams51@yahoo.ca 647-345-3900

Address: 14 Laws Street Unit Two, Toronto, M6P 2Y7

Locations of activity: Central

Red Dress Productions

www.reddressproductions.blogspot.com

RED DRESS PRODUCTIONS (RDP) creates and disseminates interdisciplinary art and performance projects, and works with/in communities on large-scale, community-engaged public artworks. Founded in 2005 by Artistic Co-Directors Anna Camilleri and Tristan R. Whiston, RDP is particularly interested in the interaction between community narratives and the reclamation of urban public space. RDP art projects are located at The 519 Church Street Community Center, The Co-operative Housing Federation of Toronto and Bleecker Street Co-operative, based in the Cabbagetown neighbourhood. Performances include Still Breathing Fire, Never Man's Land, and Sounds Siren Red.

Contact: redressproductions@gmail.com 416-629-8795

Address: 85 Bleecker Street, Toronto, M4X 1X1

Locations of activity: All

Red Slam Collective

www.myspace.com/redslamcollective

Red Slam Collective is poetic song stories infused with reggae hip hop, soulrock, and drum talk. A variety of themes are expressed in the pieces, but the underlying goal is to: uplift, self-identify and promote unity through Spoken, Lyricism which Arranges Meaning (SLAM).

Contact: redslamcollective@gmail.com

Address: 223-760 Lawrence Ave W, Toronto, M6A 3E7

Locations of activity: All

Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre

www.regentparkfocus.com

Established in 1990 Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre (Regent Park Focus) is motivated by the belief that community arts and participatory media practices play a vital role in building and sustaining healthy communities. Regent Park Focus seeks to increase civic engagement and inspire positive change by giving youth the tools and support to create artistic works and media productions. Youth are encouraged to work collectively to develop resources that explore issues of relevance to them and their communities. Programs include: Print Magazines, Graphic Arts, Television Broadcasting and Video production, Radio Broadcasting and Audio Arts, Music Recording, Instrumental Music Instruction and Performance, Photography and more.

Contact: adonis_huggins@camh.net 416-863-1074

Address: 38 Regent Street (Lower Level), Toronto, M5A 3N7

Locations of activity: Central

Roar in the Woods

New theatre company focusing on local creations.

Contact: rbecketgrace@yahoo.ca 647-217-2400

Address: Ward Street, Toronto, M6H 4A5

Locations of activity: Central, East

Scaramella

www.scaramella.ca

Scaramella presents a 3-concert chamber music mini-series in Toronto using period instruments. From its beginnings in 2005, Scaramella's focus has been one of innovation and revitalization, which distinguishes it from other ensembles on the early music scene, both in Canada and abroad. Scaramella's programmes can be likened to the "old wine in new bottles" metaphor: it showcases a wealth of repertoire that was written for period instruments both in old days, as well as in modern times, and its presentations are staged in a way to surprise and delight.

Contact: bm120@columbia.edu 416-760-8610

Address: 78 Laws Street, Toronto, M6P 2Y7

Locations of activity: Central

Scarborough Arts

www.scarborougharts.com

Scarborough Arts is a not-for-profit community arts organization with the mandate to serve Scarborough and east Toronto. SA provides programs and services to promote and encourage development and involvement in the arts, for the benefit of artists and the community.

Contact: info@scarborougharts.com 416-698-7322

Address: 1859 Kingston Road, Toronto

Locations of activity: East

Shadowland Theatre

www.shadowlandtheatre.ca

Shadowland creates original theatre that entertains, engages, empowers, and inspires people to interact positively with each other and their environments. The company has a strongly visual style that uses puppetry, mask and spectacle to engage participants of all ages in the collective creative process. We have a studio in Parkdale and often use the Toronto Islands as our stage. We run a weekly youth theatre program and are currently involved in community explorations of the cultures, histories, traditions, and intimate relationships we have with food, gardening, and the impact of the landscape.

Contact: shadow@shadowlandtheatre.ca 416-203-0946

Address: 20 Fifth Street, Ward's Island, Toronto, M5J 2B9

Locations of activity: Central

Sharp Thinking

www.artbattleto.com

I create events...with arts, culture and community in the fore.

Contact: lavillian@gmail.com 416-876-6230

Address: 201 Christie Street, Toronto, M6G 3B5

Locations of activity: All

SKETCH

www.sketch.ca

SKETCH is a community arts development initiative engaging young people ages 15-29, who are street involved, homeless and otherwise marginalized.

Contact: phyllis@sketch.ca 416-516-5428

Address: P.O. Box 63 Stn B, Toronto, M5T 2T2

Locations of activity: Central

St Clair Artwalk

www.stclair-artwalk.org

ARTWALK, the St Clair Arts Festival and Studio Tour, is an annual community Arts Festival celebrating our diversity and cultural heritage through the arts. The mission of ARTWALK is to celebrate our diverse and vibrant community through the arts. We will engage, inspire and transform our community through inclusive, creative alliances among local businesses, artists, volunteers and neighbours.

Contact: info@stclair-artwalk.org 416-949-9421

Address: 687-693 St. Clair Ave. W., Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

St. Albans Boys and Girls Club

www.stalbansclub.ca

St. Alban's Boys and Girls Club, now serving 2000 members a year, provides a number of innovative programs and services to meet diverse community needs. At St. Alban's, we strive to maintain and strengthen our core services to children and youth while growing to meet the varied and changing needs of our community. We presently offer a variety of arts programs including a recording studio, a web/video project, dance and visual arts. We strive to form partnerships with other arts-based organizations in order to offer enriching artistic experiences to children and youth in Toronto.

Contact: serena@stalbansclub.ca 416-534-8461

Address: 843 Palmerston Ave, Toronto, M6G 2R8

Locations of activity: Central, West

The STEPS Initiative

www.stepsinitiative.com

The Sustainable Thinking and Expression on Public Space (STEPS) Initiative is a collective of artists, activists, architects and academics. We facilitate dialogue between individuals, grassroots collectives and policy makers using art to engage communities in transforming their local environments. We call this work Public Space Artivism, and its champions Public Space ARTivists. STEPS is committed to enabling the use of art to challenge and change the ways in which public spaces are currently being used, citizens communicate on environmental issues, and artists play a role in community development. We are empowering citizens to take a creative hands-on approach to their environments through a combination of research, conversation and capacity building initiatives.

Contact: info@stepsinitiative.com

Address: 215 Spadina Ave, Suite 400, Toronto, M5T 2C7

Locations of activity: All

Story Planet

www.storyplanet.ca

Story Planet is a crazy little venture that aims to bring writers, kids and artists together to create amazing stories in a variety of mediums. In the very near future, we hope to open a physical hub that will no doubt burst at the seams with creative expression!

Contact: liz@storyplanet.ca 416-893-4486

Address: 846 Palmerston ave, Toronto, M6G 2S1

Locations of activity: Central

Storytelling Toronto

www.storytellingtoronto.org

Storytelling Toronto is the creative home for storytellers and listeners. Our mission is to inspire, encourage and support storytelling for listeners and tellers. We provide courses for beginner storytellers, professionals and those in-between. Every spring we hold the Toronto Storytelling Festival.

Contact: admin@storytellingtoronto.org 416-656-2445

Address: 601 Christie Street, Suite 173, Toronto, M6G 4C7

Locations of activity: All

Studio 15

Studio 15 is a faith-based, community arts & music program, serving the Kingsview Village.

Contact: pastordarrin@kingsviewfm.com 416-248-5000

Address: 15 Kingsview Blvd., Toronto, M9R 1T5

Locations of activity: West

Studio 561

www.studio561.net

Studio 561 is a centre for artists from all walks of life, working with all types of media to congregate and network. With more than 2000 square feet of space, we provide an opportunity for artists to create, teach, perform, show their work and most importantly, do what they love. Our mission is to promote free-thinking and creativity.

Contact: aaron@studio561.net

Address: 561 Bloor St West, Toronto, M5S 1Y6

Locations of activity: Central

SuiteLife Arts For Youth

www.suitelifearts.org

SuiteLife Arts For Youth is an arts educational community outreach program whose objective is, to provide young people from our culturally diverse communities with an opportunity to explore their potential, while developing their talents and skills as creative and expressive individuals. SuiteLife Arts For Youth is accessible to young aspiring performers age 14 -20yrs., who for whatever reason cannot afford such training within the mainstream, and or may not have an opportunity to take performing arts courses in high school. SuiteLife Arts For Youth is FREE!! SuiteLife Arts provides its program in two locations: St. Christopher House, 248 Ossington Avenue and Christ Church Scarborough, 155 Markham Road.

Contact: denese.suitelife@rogers.com

Address: 30 Brookmount Rd., Toronto, M4L 3N1

Locations of activity: Central, East

Supporting Our Youth - Sherbourne Health Centre

www.soytoronto.org

Supporting Our Youth (SOY) is an exciting, dynamic community development program designed to improve the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual and transgendered youth in Toronto through the active involvement of youth and adult communities. We work to create healthy arts, culture and recreational spaces for young people; to provide supportive housing and employment opportunities; and to increase youth access to adult mentoring and support.

Contact: soy@sherbourne.on.ca 416-324-5077

Address: 333 Sherbourne St., Toronto, M5A 2S5

Locations of activity: Central

Tapestry New Opera

www.tapestrynewopera.com

Tapestry New Opera is dedicated to the creation, development and performance of new opera in Canada. The company engages artists and audiences on subjects relevant to contemporary society, and provides guidance, direction and resources for the creation of new opera, from idea to stage. Through its creative development programme, Tapestry encourages the exploration and discovery of a complex and inclusive art form, Tapestry promotes dialogue among artists, funders and audiences.

Contact: susanw@tapestrynewopera.com 416-537-6066

Address: 55 Mill St. Bldg #58 Studio 316, Toronto, M5A 3C4

Locations of activity: Central

That's Womens Work

www.thatswomenswork.com

That's Women's Work Arts Network is a non-profit arts gallery for self-identifying women artists. Its mission is to acknowledge women's work as art and women's art as work, through a social justice framework via an arts gallery and community rental space. We are open to all art forms from traditional crafts, textiles, fine arts, dance and performance to new media and interdisciplinary work. TWWAN aims to provide free and/or affordable opportunities for connection to community, professional development and sale and exhibition of art.

Contact: michelle@thatswomenswork.com 416-534-9249

Address: 2035 Dundas Street West, Toronto, M6R1W8

Locations of activity: Central

The Arts Junction

www.artjunction.blogspot.com

The Art's Junction ([artjunction](http://artjunction.com)) is an independent, local blog dedicated to arts and culture events in the Junction area of Toronto West, and Russian cultural events coming up in Toronto.

Contact: blog@sipgroup.org

Address: The Junction, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

The Assembly Hall - Toronto Cultural Services

www.assemblyhall.ca

The Assembly Hall is located on the scenic Lakeshore Grounds in South Etobicoke. This century-old building reopened in June 2001 as a multi-purpose community cultural centre, offering a performance hall, community meeting rooms and gallery space. The Assembly Hall is primarily a rental facility, providing space to many of Toronto's arts, heritage and community groups. Its mission is to serve as "a gathering place at the heart of the Lakeshore, where community and creativity are celebrated and nurtured." The Assembly Hall is available for both public and private use.

Contact: assembly@toronto.ca 416-338-7255

Address: 1 Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, Toronto, M8V 4B6

Locations of activity: West

The inPrint Collective

www.inprintstudio.ca

Made up of artists, writers, academics and anyone who shares with us some printlove, we come together as the (not for profit) InPrint Collective to support each other and promote printmaking in our communities. We are working towards eventually opening a shared eco-friendly printmaking facility (since we love the earth too) and gallery space. In the meantime, we are promoting print and printmakers through exhibitions, fundraisers, artist talks and other ways to celebrate art. The inPrint Collective is currently made up of four artists, but often works and reaches out to a multitude of other printmakers.

Contact: info@inprintstudio.ca 416-899-1323

Address: 296 Oakwood Ave, Toronto, M6E 2V6

Locations of activity: Central

The School of Toronto Dance Theatre

www.schooloftdt.org

For over 40 years, The School of Toronto Dance Theatre has been passionately committed to the training and education of young dancers in the art of contemporary dance. We dedicate ourselves to investing in the artistic potential of youth for the development of the art form. The School provides well-trained and educated dance artists to further developments in the field, supports the professional development of faculty and guest artists so that they may further their artistry and provide excellent and relevant instruction to students, and advocates for dance and for education in the arts within the dance community and to the public-at-large.

Contact: info@schooloftdt.org 416-967-6887

Address: 80 Winchester Street, Toronto, M4W 1B2

Locations of activity: Central

The Theatre Centre

www.theatrecentre.org

The Theatre Centre, currently located in the heart of Toronto's West Queen West neighbourhood, develops, presents and produces new work that seeks to challenge, inspire, provoke and push the boundaries of live contemporary performance. The Theatre Centre is committed to supporting artists and developing new ideas through its Residency Program, presenting and producing new works that cover and cross a range of disciplines, collaborating with national and international artists to bring new work to Toronto and take local work abroad, and to providing affordable rental space to independent arts organizations and community groups who need it.

Contact: info@theatrecentre.org 416-534-9261

Address: 1087 Queen St. West, Toronto, M6J 1H3

Locations of activity: Central

Theatre Direct

www.theatredirect.ca

Theatre Direct is one of the country's leading innovators in theatre and arts education for and inspired by young people. Founded in 1976 and boasting a consistently award-winning track record, the company initiated an expansion of its community based programming including the creation of an Education Centre and Drama School with its move to the Wychwood Barns where it now operates a fully equipped 100 seat theatre and an education studio.

Contact: info@theatredirect.on.ca 416-537-4191

Address: 601 Christie St., Unit 174, Artscape Wychwood Barns, Toronto, M6G 4C7

Locations of activity: All

Theatre Ontario

www.theatreontario.org

Theatre Ontario is a charitable, not-for-profit association of community, educational and professional theatre organizations and individuals who are dedicated to the development and maintenance of high quality theatre. Theatre Ontario encourages and promotes theatre throughout Ontario by delivering a range of programs, services and resources for our members, theatre artists, organizations, administrators and the general public. Theatre Ontario provides theatre practitioners throughout Ontario with training and information to enhance and support their art form.

Contact: info@theatreontario.org 416-408-4556

Address: 215 Spadina Avenue, Suite 210, Toronto, M5T 2C7

Locations of activity: All

Theatre Passe Muraille

www.passemuraille.on.ca

TPM provides guidance, expertise, space and opportunity to people, artists and companies while aspiring to embody compassion, respect and integrity in all our actions. Our building is a cauldron for all kinds of activity. There are music concerts, dance, comedy and a wide variety of performing arts activities, plus readings, workshops, installations, craft shows, public talks or debates and local community meetings. We are venturing outside our building to explore the neighbourhood with work that is embedded in its surroundings, showcasing stories from our community. Our future focus lies in welcoming the local community into the space and erasing any stigma, intimidation or unawareness of what this theatre is.

Contact: info@passmuraille.on.ca 416-504-7529

Address: 16 Ryerson Avenue, Toronto, M5T 2P3

Locations of activity: Central

Threshold Theatre

www.thresholdtheatre.ca

Founded by Co-Artistic Directors, Suzanne Hersh and Mark Cassidy, and currently based in the St. Clair West/Oakwood Village area of Toronto, Threshold Theatre is known for its inventive adaptations, exciting site-specific works and fresh approach to scripts. Along with presenting dynamic and innovative theatre, we are dedicated to connecting with our community through workshops, classes, readings, forums, and festivals.

Contact: mark@thresholdtheatre.ca

Address: Atlas Avenue, Toronto, M6C 3P2

Locations of activity: All

TIFF Volunteer - Intern Resources

www.tiff.net/volunteer

Our year-round volunteers are an essential part of TIFF (Toronto International Film Festival), working on ongoing initiatives in almost every department. They have a unique opportunity to be exposed to cinema from across Canada and around the world. Our goal is to engage with a group of friendly, knowledgeable, dependable volunteers invested in achieving TIFF's mission: to transform the way people see the world through the moving image. Although the most direct way to become an active TIFF volunteer is by first joining us during a seasonal Festival volunteer programme, we do accept general applications. Stay informed about all volunteer opportunities by subscribing to our TIFF Volunteer Newsletter at www.tiff.net/volunteer.

Contact: volunteer@tiff.net 416-967-7371

Address: 2 Carlton Street, Suite 1600, Toronto, M5B 1J3

Locations of activity: Central

Toronto Animated Image Society

www.tais.ca

The Toronto Animated Image Society is a non-profit, artist-run centre that explores and promotes the art of animation and supports animators as artists. Over the past 25 years, TAIS has encouraged the exchange of information, facilities, ideas and aesthetics within Toronto's animation community through workshops, screenings, art exhibits, commissioning projects and by providing affordable access to a specialized animation studio.

Contact: tais@bellnet.ca 416-533-7889

Address: 102 - 60 Atlantic Ave, Toronto

Locations of activity: Central

Toronto Artscape

www.torontoartscape.on.ca

Artscape is a not-for-profit, urban development organization that revitalizes buildings, neighbourhoods, and cities through the arts. Artscape projects provide affordable space for creativity while generating positive cultural, economic, social, and environmental impact. While Artscape's real estate development activities are focused in Toronto, it also shares knowledge with other urban centres and communities across Canada and around the world.

Contact: sue@torontoartscape.on.ca 416-392-1038

Address: (Office) 171 East Liberty Street Suite 224, Toronto, M6K 1X2

Locations of activity: Central

Toronto Jewish Film Festival

www.tjff.com

The Toronto Jewish Film Festival is the world's largest Jewish content film festival, offering a window to and a mirror of the diversity of the Jewish experience across the world. The 19th Annual Toronto Jewish Film Festival will be held at various venues across the city from May 7 - 15, 2011.

Contact: debbiew@tjff.ca 416-324-8459

Address: 19 Madison Avenue, Toronto, M5R 2S2

Locations of activity: Central

TRIO416

We aim to promote equal access to musical instruction, artistic engagement and creativity, and musical performances. We offer tuition-free violin, cello, and piano lessons to children and youth living in Toronto Community Housing residences, and organize admission-free performances for the entire community.

Contact: info@axismusic.ca 647-705-9925

Address: Eglinton East-Kennedy Neighbourhood, Toronto, M1K 4H6

Locations of activity: East

Turtle House Art/Play Centre

Turtle House is a small, but unique art-based organization in Toronto, designed primarily for children and families from refugee backgrounds to explore their creativity, play, express themselves and make meaningful connections. The Turtle House program is multifaceted – it incorporates art and recreation for children (5-12 years of age) as well as a discussion group for the parents to connect with each other and to gain necessary information on how to navigate the system of their new home. Turtle House offers a free program with additional supports, such as TTC fares, refreshment and interpreters to diminish barriers to participation.

Contact: turtlehouse@sympatico.ca

Address: c/o OCASI, 110 Eglinton Ave. W. Suite 200, Toronto, M4R 1A3

Locations of activity: All

UNITY Charity

www.unitycharity.com

UNITY Charity, an arts-based alternative education organization, implements school and community programs which help youth from 10 to 18 express their stress and develop skills for success. UNITY empowers youth to make better choices as leaders, mentors and positive community role models leading to more productive citizens, safer schools, and healthier communities. UNITY engages youth through dialogue with artist educators using break dancing, spoken word poetry, graffiti art and beat boxing and helps youth by connecting life skills to something they enjoy and artistic skills to express their stress while providing a safe environment to share personal experiences both positive and negative.

Contact: directory@unitycharity.com 416-938-9693

Address: 2300 Yonge St, #1602, Toronto, M4P 1E4

Locations of activity: All

University Settlement Music and Arts School

www.universitysettlement.ca

University Settlement Music and Arts School, founded in 1921, provides quality, affordable music and dance programs to children, teens, adults and seniors from the Grange neighbourhood as well as the greater Toronto area. We function in the belief that arts education should be a right, not a privilege, and that lessons should be available to everyone, regardless of age, ethnicity, perceived talent, disability or ability to pay. We currently offer individual instruction in a wide variety of instruments and group classes for children in dance, recorder ensemble, drumming circle, ear training, theory and children's choir. Our adult programs include a community choir, ear training classes and a chamber music program.

Contact: anne.yardley@usrc.ca 416-598-3444

Address: 23 Grange Road, Toronto, M5T 1C3

Locations of activity: Central

Up Your Nose and In Your Toes Productions

www.morroandjasp.com

Up Your Nose and In Your Toes Productions (UNIT) is a non-profit theatre company dedicated to breaking social norms and identifying the flaws that we, as a society, work hard to cover up. Through energetic and unapologetic work (often clown) mixed with a covert and multi-disciplinary approach, we seek to help people rediscover joy, truth and creativity, not as a passing moment but as an important part of everyday life. We hope to heal the world one smile at a time.

Contact: heather@morroandjasp.com 416-784-3663

Address: 535 Lawrence Ave W, Toronto, M6A 1A3

Locations of activity: Central

Upfront Theatre Foundation

www.rastafest.com

The Foundation is a non-profit organization serving children and youth in the Jane Finch community. We operate an audio video production studio in the Keeles plaza.

Contact: masani9@yahoo.com 416-624-6349

Address: 1290 Finch Ave. West, Unit 17, Toronto, M3J 3K3

Locations of activity: North

UrbanArts

www.urbanartstoronto.org

UrbanArts is a non-profit Community Arts Council focused on enhancing neighbourhoods by engaging youth in community development through the arts. Our mandate is to promote, engage and facilitate cultural and community development opportunities between artists, arts organizations and community members and community organizations. Programs include After School Arts Program (ASAP), Graffiti Transformation, S.T.E.P. U.P, Beats.Mind.Movement, Dream Building, and BrownBricks.

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Address: 19 John Street, Toronto, M9N 3W5

Locations of activity: West

Working Women Community Centre

www.workingwomenc.org

Working Women Community Centre is a non-profit and charitable organization that provides immigrant women and their families with opportunities to improve the quality of their lives through self-development and community action.

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Address: 5 Fairview Mall Dr., Willowdale, M2J 2Z1

Locations of activity: North

Organizations by Area:

EAST (Scarborough):

AFAC Art For All Canada	Mixed Company Theatre
Aiding Dramatic Change in Development	Peace Theatre
Akwaba Cultural Exchange	Red Dress Productions
ArtBridges	Red Slam Collective
Art Starts	Roar in the Woods
Arts for Children and Youth	Scarborough Arts
Canadian Music Centre – Ontario	Sharp Thinking
Cedar Ridge Creative Centre	STEPS
Circus Alchemy	Storytelling Toronto
COBA Collective of Black Artists	SuiteLife Arts For Youth
Community Arts Ontario	Theatre Direct
East Danforth Creative Collective	Theatre Ontario
Emerging Arts Professional Network	Threshold Theatre
Inner City Angels	TRIO416
Jumblies Theatre	Turtle House Art Play Centre
Mariposa in the Schools	UNITY Charity

NORTH (North York):

AFAC Art For All Canada	Inner City Angels
Aiding Dramatic Change in Development	Mariposa in the Schools
Akwaba Cultural Exchange	Mixed Company Theatre
All the Kings Men	Red Dress Productions
ArtBridges	Red Slam Collective
Art Starts	Sharp Thinking
Artbarn School	STEPS
Arts for Children and Youth	Storytelling Toronto
Canadian Music Centre – Ontario	Theatre Direct
Circus Alchemy	Theatre Ontario
COBA Collective of Black Artists	Threshold Theatre
Community Arts Ontario	Turtle House Art Play Centre
Crisalida Cultural Project	UNITY Charity
Cultura	Upfront Theatre Foundation
Emerging Arts Professional Network	Working Women Community Centre
Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital	

WEST (Etobicoke):

AFAC Art For All Canada	Emerging Arts Professional Network
Aiding Dramatic Change in Development	Expect Theatre
Akwaba Cultural Exchange	Inner City Angels,
ArtBridges	Jumblies Theatre
Art Works Art School	Kalaikal Creative Arts
Arts Etobicoke	Lakeshore Arts
Arts for Children and Youth	Mariposa in the Schools
Canadian Music Centre – Ontario	Mixed Company Theatre
Circus Alchemy	Red Dress Productions
COBA Collective of Black Artists	Red Slam Collective
Community Arts Ontario	Studio 15
Creative Village Studio	The Assembly Hall
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CENTRAL (Old City of Toronto, York, East York):

918 Bathurst
AFAC Art For All Canada
Aiding Dramatic Change in Development
Akwaba Cultural Exchange
All the Kings Voices
ArtBridges
Art City Toronto
Art Starts
Art Works Art School
Arts for Children and Youth
Avenue Road Arts School
Bavia Arts
Canadian Children's Dance Theatre
Canadian Music Centre – Ontario
Canadian Stage
City of Craft
Circus Alchemy
COBA Collective of Black Artists
Community Arts Ontario
Contact Contemporary Music
Creative Spirit Art Centre
Creative Vocalization Studio
Creative Works Studio
Crisalida Cultural Project
Dale Hamilton Everybodys Theatre Co.
DanceWorks
Diaspora Dialogues
DreBu
Drum Artz Canada
Embracing Intersectional Diversity Project
Emerging Arts Professional Network
Exhibit Change
For Youth Initiative
Expect Theatre
Fred Victor
fu-GEN Asian-Canadian Theatre Co.
Gallery 44
Ismailova Theatre of Dance
Inner City Angels
Jumblies Theatre
Kapisanan Philippine Centre for Latin
American Canadian Art Projects
Latin American Arts Centre Collective
Mariposa in the Schools
Mayworks Festival
Mixed Company Theatre
Momentum Dance Toronto
Music for Life
Opera Atelier
Paprika Festival
pounds per square inch performance
princess productions
Red Bear
Red Dress Productions
Red Slam Collective
Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre
Roar in the Woods
Scaramella
Shadowland Theatre
Sharp Thinking
SKETCH
St. Albans Boys and Girls Club
St Clair Artwalk
STEPS
Story Planet
Storytelling Toronto
Studio 561
SuiteLife Arts for Youth
Supporting Our Youth Sherboure Health Ctr
Tapestry New Opera
That's Womens Work
The Arts Junction
The inPrint Collective
The School of Toronto Dance Theatre
The Theatre Centre
Theatre Passe Muraille
Theatre Direct
Theatre Ontario
Threshold Theatre
TIFF Volunteer - Intern Resources
Toronto Animated Image Society
Toronto Artscape
Toronto Jewish Film Festival
University Settlement Music and Arts School
Turtle House Art Play Centre
UNITY Charity
Up Your Nose and In Your Toes Prod.

Interested in becoming a member?

Do you or your organization develop or program community-engaged art within the City of Toronto? Interested in sharing resources, gaining skills and networking with like-minded individuals? You should be a member of the Neighbourhood Arts Network! Our over 350 members include individuals and organizations whose interests or mandates embrace the idea of community engagement and accessibility of the arts. Joining is easy - and free!

As a member of the Network you are joining a community of individuals and organizations committed to enriching and developing Toronto's neighbourhoods through the arts. Our members are involved in:

Promotion & Advocacy: through our centralized, interactive website; communications with city councillors; printed materials such as posters, postcards and member directories distributed through libraries and community centres; through videos and online profiles highlighting various arts projects throughout the city.

Networking: through an ongoing series of networking events throughout the city; regular newsletters and our constantly updated, member-driven website.

Professional Development: through ongoing workshops, seminars, and larger forums.

Research & Resource Sharing: through round table discussions; interviews and consultations with artists; publishing and sharing information on funding, policy, and best practices; encouraging bartering and resource sharing through our website and newsletter.

Building Partnerships: with city builders, social services agencies, libraries, community and health centres, business improvement associations and others who share the desire to enhance Toronto's neighbourhoods through the arts.

Questions? Contact Skye Louis, Network Coordinator at skye@torontoarts.org or 416-392-6802 ext. 212

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