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Grants awarded for July 1, 2019 Competition – Career Development Program

August 13, 2019, Fredericton – The New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) has released the results of the July 1st, 2019 competition for the Career Development program. A total of nine (9) grants were awarded, amounting to **\$ 17,100**. These funds were allocated as follows:

Arts By Invitation

Sonja Adams	Saint John	Music	\$ 1,900
Edward (Ned) A. Bear	Belledune	Visual Arts	\$ 300
Michel Cardin	Riverview	Music	\$ 1,400
Ralph Simpson	Fredericton	Craft	\$ 1,900

Artist in Residence

Julie Forgues	Moncton	Visual Arts	\$ 5,200
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Professional Development

Caroline Bélisle	Moncton	Theatre	\$ 2,300
Zachary Rioux	Grand Falls	Music	\$ 2,300

Professionalization & Promotion

Rebecca Belliveau	Moncton	Visual Arts	\$ 900
Emily Kennedy	Passekeag	Music	\$ 900

<u>Applications Submitted</u> 30	<u>Grants Awarded</u> 9	<u>Success Rate</u> 30.0%
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2 out of 9 awardees (22.2%) had never previously received a grant from artsnb.

The Career Development program provides financial assistance to professional artists wishing to enhance their practice through travel, study and promotion. This flexible program has **four** separate components:

- 1. Arts by Invitation** provides assistance for travel and accommodation to present work by invitation in established arts events.
- 2. Artist in Residence** is designed to support participation in residency opportunities of three months or less.
- 3. Professional Development** provides assistance to pursue short- or long-term studies or mentorships.
- 4. Professionalization and Promotion** provides assistance for professional services to better promote an artist’s work and practice.

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The New Brunswick Arts Board is an arm’s length arts funding agency with a legislated mandate to facilitate and promote the creation of art as well as administering funding programs for professional artists in the province. Most of the funding for these programs is provided through the province’s Arts Development Trust Fund and by the Department of Tourism, Heritage and Culture.