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## Postponement of the 2021 gala for the Lieutenant-Governor's Awards for High Achievement in the Arts

*Fredericton, November 1, 2021* – After careful consideration and in the current context concerning the COVID-19 pandemic, the New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) has taken the decision to postpone the gala for the 2021 Lieutenant-Governor's Awards for High Achievement in the Arts until the Spring of 2022.

We are eager to celebrate the achievements of the 2021 laureates! They are: Mathieu Léger in visual arts, Daniel H. Dugas in French literary arts, and Sandra Le Couteur in performing arts.

## More about the Lieutenant-Governor's Awards for High Achievement in the arts

The Lieutenant-Governor's Awards for High Achievement in the Arts are designed to recognize the outstanding contribution of New Brunswick artists. One award of \$20,000 is conferred every two years in each of the following three categories: Visual Arts (including architecture, fine craft, media arts and photography), Performing Arts (including dance, music and theatre), and Literary Arts (including literary translation, literary performance, spoken word and storytelling, alternating between French and English from year to year). To learn more about the awards and the 2021 laureates, visit our <u>website</u>.

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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.

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