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## **Jean-Pierre Caissie appointed new Executive Director of the New Brunswick Arts Board**

*July 4, 2022 (Fredericton)* – The New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) is delighted to announce the appointment of Jean-Pierre Caissie as its new Executive Director, effective Monday July 11, 2022. He succeeds Jocelyn (Joss) Richer, who served in this role since 2016.



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Jean-Pierre Caissie has been a cultural worker and artist in Moncton, Ottawa, and Montreal. He has worked in theatre and film festivals, has managed a music band, has been a photographer, editor, DJ, director of a filmmakers' association, and artistic coordinator of an artist-run center. Over the years, he has been involved on the boards of arts organizations and has served on the editorial boards of literary journals. At the time of his appointment as Executive Director of artsnb, Jean-Pierre was Assistant Director of the Association acadienne des artistes professionnel.le.s du Nouveau-Brunswick (AAAPNB).

"It is with great pleasure that I join the team at artsnb. Equipped with a new strategic plan about to be published, the organization is well positioned to support

New Brunswick artists and assist them as they emerge from the pandemic crisis that has particularly affected the arts and culture sector. artsnb is essential for artists and I hope to be able to contribute, among other things, by nurturing the partnerships that have been developed over the years," shares Jean-Pierre Caissie, artsnb's new Executive Director.

### **About the New Brunswick Arts Board**

An independent and autonomous public funding agency, the New Brunswick Arts Board is governed by a Board of nine voting members. artsnb's mission is to support the cultural diversity of New Brunswick by fostering excellence in the arts, facilitating artistic creation by the province's professional and emerging artists, and contributing to the appreciation and understanding of the arts. More information can be found on our [website](#).

*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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