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A new Chair and new members join the Board of Directors at artsnb

Fredericton, November 14, 2023 – During its Annual Meeting held in St. Stephen, the New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) elected **Domenic Bro** (Tracadie) as its new Chair. He succeeds Victoria Hutt, who served in this role until the end of her second mandate on the board.

Darren McLeod (Saint John) becomes artsnb's 1st Vice-Chair, **Jason Guerrette** (Edmundston), 2nd Vice-chair, and **Vanessa Moeller** (Moncton), Treasurer of the board. Furthermore, artsnb is pleased to welcome new members **Jalianne Li** (Moncton) and **Phyllis Grant** (Pabineau First Nation), who succeed **Victoria Hutt** (Florenceville) and **Hubert Francis** (Elsipogtog First Nation) whose mandates ended. Other Board members include **César Suárez** (Saint John) and **Jennifer Stead** (Florenceville).

artsnb's new Chair



Domenic Bro is an Acadian filmmaker and content creator from Tracadie. Mostly self-taught, Domenic formed, with his brother François Pierre, the duo Les frères Breau, which has created a few hundred videos since 2010 that have been seen around the globe, online, on TV, and on the big screen (documentaries, series, music videos, short films, etc.). In a short time, he has become a significant figure in Acadian contemporary arts and culture.

New members on the Board of Directors



Phyllis Grant is a Mi'gmaq artist from Pabineau First Nation. Her works include animated films, poetry and music, as well as paintings and illustrations. She has exhibited her work nationally and internationally. Her film credits include, among many, *Maq and the Spirit of the Woods* with the NFB as director, writer and animator, and *I Place You Into the Fire* as illustrator. She is the founder of the Welneweg Arts Collective, and has served as juror for the Polaris Music Prize and the Prism Prize. Phyllis holds a Bachelor of Integrated Studies from UNB with a certificate in Leadership Studies.



Jalianne Li is a multidisciplinary artist with a focus in dance. Of mixed Chinese and Scottish descent, she is based in Moncton. After obtaining her bachelor in science, she studied dance at Trinity Laban and apprenticed with Springs Dance Company (both in London, England) and founded surFace Dance in 2012. An artist in dance, theatre, and circus, she has also performed with Satellite Théâtre, Theatre New Brunswick, Connection Dance Works, Circus Stella, and Danse En L’Air. Jalianne is currently the Dance representative for the Association acadienne des artistes professionnel.le.s du Nouveau-Brunswick.

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 manage public funds and engage with a network of partners in support of a diverse, thriving, and sustainable arts ecosystem across New Brunswick. We encourage and celebrate the work of New Brunswick artists working in a broad range of disciplines and empower them to share their work throughout the province and beyond.

More information on artsnb 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.

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