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Grants awarded for March 15, 2024, Deadline – Equinox Program for Indigenous Artists

Fredericton, May 3, 2024 – The New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) has released the results of the March 15, 2024 deadline for the Equinox program for Indigenous Artists. **Eight (8) grants** were awarded by a jury composed of professional artists, totaling **\$39,891.35**.

The **Equinox program** supports Indigenous artists, curators, and groups to engage in artistic creation and professional development. Eligible projects can range from 1- creation and presentation of artistic work, 2- research and development, and 3- activities that support and strengthen the Indigenous arts community. For more information on this program, visit artsnb’s [website](#).

Creation of new works

Melcolm Beaulieu	Fredericton	Multidisciplinary Arts	\$4,891.35
Brian Francis	Elsipogtog	Media Arts	\$5,000
Ann Paul	Fredericton	Visual Arts	\$5,000
Maggie Paul	Fredericton	Music	\$5,000
Dawson Sacobie	Fredericton	Music	\$5,000

Research and Development

Natasha Barlow	L’nui Menikuk	Theatre	\$5,000
Possesom Paul	Fredericton	Dance	\$5,000
Gage Perley	Fredericton	Visual Arts	\$5,000

<i>Applications Submitted</i>	<i>Grants Awarded</i>	<i>Success Rate</i>
10	8	80.0%

3 out of 8 recipients (37.5 %) had never previously received a grant from artsnb.

Distribution by artistic discipline

The number of applications submitted per discipline for this deadline of the Equinox program is as follows: 0 in architecture, 0 in craft, 1 in dance, 1 in literary arts, 1 in media arts, 1 in multidisciplinary arts, 3 in music, 1 in theatre, and 2 in visual arts. Additional information is available on the distribution of grants per artistic discipline for this competition [here](#).

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.

Funding for these programs is provided through the province’s Arts Development Trust Fund and by the Department of Tourism, Heritage and Culture. The department has also announced additional funding to the Artist in Residence program, as a response to the recommendations from the report of Premier’s Task Force on the Status of the Artist.

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