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# Grants awarded for March 15, 2025 Deadline – Equinox Program for Indigenous Artists

*Fredericton, May 27, 2025* – The New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) has released the results of the March 15, 2025 deadline for the Equinox Program for Indigenous Artists. **Ten (10)** grants were awarded by a jury composed of professional Indigenous artists, totaling **\$82,100.00**.

The **Equinox** program supports Indigenous artists, curators, collectives and groups to engage in artistic creation, professional development, and capacity building. For more information on this program, visit artsnb's **website**.

### **Creation of New Work**

| Bronson Acquin     |             |                        |              |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Mandisodza         | Fredericton | Music                  | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Oluwi Aubin-Bérubé | Fredericton | Music                  | \$ 3,000.00  |
| Quinn Cloud        | Aroostook   | Craft                  | \$ 7,600.00  |
| Blake Francis      | Natoaganeg  | Music                  | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Brian Palmater     | Cocagne     | Multidisciplinary Arts | \$ 7,500.00  |
| Kari Patles        | Natoaganeg  | Craft                  | \$ 7,500.00  |
| Ann Paul           | Fredericton | Multidisciplinary Arts | \$ 9,000.00  |
| Dawson Sacobie     | Fredericton | Music                  | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Starlit Simon      | Fredericton | Multidisciplinary Arts | \$ 10,000.00 |

### **Connections**

Gordon Sparks Rough Waters Visual Arts \$ 7,500.00

## **Results Highlights**

| Applications Evaluated | <u>Grants Awarded</u> | Success Rate  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 15                     | 10                    | 66.7 %        |
| Total Amount Requested | Total Amount Awarded  | Rate Funded   |
| <i>\$ 137,603.97</i>   | <i>\$ 82,100.00</i>   | <i>59.7 %</i> |

### 2 out of 10 recipients (20.0 %) had never previously received a grant from artsnb.

The number of applications evaluated per discipline for this program deadline are as follows: 0 in architecture, 2 in craft, 0 in dance, 0 in literary arts, 1 in media arts, 5 in multidisciplinary arts, 4 in music, 0 in theatre, and 3 in visual arts.

Additional information is available on the distribution of grants per artistic discipline for this deadline **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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