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**Grants awarded for March 1, 2026 Deadlines – Artist in Residence and Career Development programs**

**Fredericton, April 29, 2026** – The New Brunswick Arts Board (**artsnb**) has released the results of the March 1, 2026 deadlines for the Artist in Residence and Career Development programs. Grants totaling **\$ 103,674.12** were awarded by juries composed of professional artists in these two (2) funding programs.

**Artist in Residence Program**

**Eight (8)** Artist in Residence grants were awarded, totaling **\$54,938.00**.

This program provides opportunities for organizations in New Brunswick to host visiting artists for up to a year, and to professional artists who seek to advance their creative work through participation in residency opportunities at home or outside the province, or for residency opportunities in Québec as per an agreement with the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec. The Department of Tourism, Heritage and Culture has granted additional investment to the remodeled Artist in Residence program which was a recommendation of the Report of the Premier’s Task Force on the Status of the Artist. Learn more about the Artist in Residence Program [here](#).

The following artists and host organizations have been awarded grants in this program:

**Individual Artists**

Maryse Arseneault	Moncton	Media Arts	\$ 500.00
Loqman Dali Youcef	Moncton	Music	\$ 8,257.00
Raphael Dely	Moncton	Multidisciplinary Arts	\$ 9,240.00
Emily Kennedy	Fredericton	Music	\$ 7,500.00
Mélanie Léger	Moncton	Theatre	\$ 9,000.00
Nihad Zeridouh	Riverview	Music	\$ 4,675.00

**Non-Profit Organizations**

Satellite Théâtre	Moncton	Dance	\$ 9,000.00
Solo Chicken Productions	Fredericton	Theatre	\$ 6,766.00

**Results Highlights**

<i>Applications Evaluated</i> 37	<i>Grants Awarded</i> 8	<i>Success Rate</i> 21.6%
<i>Total Amount Requested</i> \$268,117.30	<i>Total Amount Awarded</i> \$54,938.00	<i>Rate Funded</i> 20.5%

**2 out of 8 recipients (25.0%) had never previously received a grant from artsnb.**



The number of applications evaluated per discipline for this program deadline are as follows: 1 in architecture, 2 in craft, 2 in dance, 3 in literary arts, 3 in media arts, 3 in multidisciplinary arts, 7 in music, 7 in theatre, and 9 in visual arts.

Additional information is available on the distribution of grants per artistic discipline for this deadline [here](#).

### **Career Development program**

**Twenty-one (21)** grants were awarded for the Career Development program, totaling **\$48,736.12**.

This program, divided into 3 components, provides financial assistance to professional artists wishing to enhance their practice through travel, study, and promotion. Learn more about the Career Development Program [here](#).

The following artists have been awarded grants in this program:

#### **Arts by Invitation**

Natt Cann	Moncton	Visual Arts	\$ 1,166.00
Adam Cicchillitti	Moncton	Music	\$ 3,000.00
Jean-Michel Cliche	Fredericton	Theatre	\$ 3,000.00
Marika Drolet-Ferguson	Tracadie-Sheila	Multidisciplinary Arts	\$ 2,930.00
Blake Francis	Natoaganeg	Music	\$ 2,792.00
Carl Philippe Gionet	Caraquet	Multidisciplinary Arts	\$ 1,755.87
Éloïse LeBlanc	Cap-Pelé	Literary Arts	\$ 3,000.00
Lee McLean	New Maryland	Craft	\$ 2,600.00

#### **Professional Development**

Ranz Bontogon	Moncton	Media Arts	\$ 3,000.00
Daniel Burton	Fredericton	Literary Arts	\$ 2,250.00
Gabriel-Vincent Deslauriers	Dieppe	Theatre	\$ 3,000.00
Marika Drolet-Ferguson	Tracadie-Sheila	Visual Arts	\$ 3,000.00
Andre LeBlanc	Little Bartibog	Music	\$ 3,000.00
Chelsie Nightingale	Ward's Creek	Theatre	\$ 3,000.00

#### **Professionalization & Promotion**

Natalia Bohórquez	Fredericton	Music	\$ 2,000.00
Natt Cann	Moncton	Multidisciplinary Arts	\$ 505.25
Jon Claytor	Sackville	Literary Arts	\$ 1,388.00
Emmanuelle Jackson	Fredericton	Literary Arts	\$ 1,500.00
Phoebe Marmura	Fredericton	Literary Arts	\$ 1,849.00
Jacob Rose	St. Stephen	Music	\$ 2,000.00
Réjean Roy	Petit-Rocher	Visual Arts	\$ 2,000.00

### **Results Highlights**

<u>Applications Evaluated</u>	<u>Grants Awarded</u>	<u>Success Rate</u>
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51	21	41.2%
<u>Total Amount Requested</u> \$111,672.03	<u>Total Amount Awarded</u> \$48,736.12	<u>Rate Funded</u> 43.6%

**5 out of 21 recipients (23.8%) 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, 1 in dance, 9 in literary arts, 2 in media arts, 6 in multidisciplinary arts, 18 in music, 5 in theatre, and 8 in visual arts.

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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.*

*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 also provides 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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