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### **Profile of Funding in Alberta, 1997-98**

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**FUNDING IN ALBERTA, 1997-98**

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- In 1997-98, the Canada Council for the Arts provided grants worth \$5.5 million to the arts in Alberta. This includes almost \$860,000 in new funding in 1997-98.
- In addition to grants, almost \$367,000 in payments was provided to 578 authors through the Public Lending Right Program<sup>1</sup>.
- This brings the total amount of Canada Council funding to Alberta to over \$5.8 million.
- The Council awarded \$4.7 million to 87 arts organizations<sup>2</sup> and almost \$804,000 went to 80 artists
- Grants were awarded in every discipline - dance, music, theatre, visual arts, media (film, video and new media and writing and publishing. The largest amounts of funding went to theatre and music (\$1.6 million each), followed by visual arts (\$834,000) and writing and publishing (\$578,000).
- Almost \$2.3 million in Council funding went to artists and arts organizations in Edmonton, making up 41.4% of funding going to the province. Calgary received \$2.5 million (46.2% of the total). The remaining communities received over \$682,000 (12.5% of the total).
- 38 Alberta artists and arts professionals served as peer assessors in 1997-98, making up 6.3% of all peer assessors.
- Alberta artists and arts organizations received 5.9% of Canada Council funding. In comparison, the province makes up 8.6% of individuals in professional and technical occupations in art and culture and 9.3% of the Canadian population.
- According to the 1996 Census, there are 27,080 Albertans in professional and technical occupations in arts and culture<sup>3</sup>, up by 12% from 24,275 in 1991.

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<sup>1</sup> The Public Lending Right Program provides payments to authors whose books are held in selected Canadian libraries.

<sup>2</sup> Number of arts organizations excludes host organizations such as libraries, post-secondary institutions, bookstores and other organizations participating in the Literary Readings Program.

<sup>3</sup> These figures represent only a portion of the total culture sector labour force.



**Table 1**  
**The Canada Council for the Arts**  
**Funding to Alberta Artists and Arts Organizations by Discipline, 1997-98**

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Artists</b>	<b>Arts Organizations</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dance</b>	\$919	\$283,851	\$284,770
<b>Music</b>	\$78,560	\$1,563,740	\$1,642,300
<b>Theatre</b>	\$30,000	\$1,607,429	\$1,637,429
<b>Visual Arts</b>	\$287,000	\$546,645	\$833,645
<b>Media Arts</b>	\$190,224	\$296,700	\$486,924
<b>Writing and Publishing</b>	\$217,000	\$360,564	\$577,564
<b>Other</b>	\$0	\$17,391	\$17,391
<b>TOTAL - Alberta</b>	\$803,703	\$4,676,320	\$5,480,023
<b>TOTAL - Canada</b>			\$93,644,234
<b>Alberta as % of Canada</b>			5.85%

**Table 2**  
**The Canada Council for the Arts**  
**Funding to Alberta by City/Community, 1997-98**

<b>City/Community</b>	<b>Grants \$</b>
<b>Banff</b>	\$321,033
<b>Calgary</b>	\$2,531,204
<b>Canmore</b>	\$1,912
<b>Coaldale</b>	\$582
<b>Cochrane</b>	\$10,000
<b>Cold Lake</b>	\$275
<b>Demmitt</b>	\$1,000
<b>Drumheller</b>	\$672
<b>Edmonton</b>	\$2,266,531
<b>Fort McMurray</b>	\$3,000
<b>Grand Prairie</b>	\$3,514
<b>Hythe</b>	\$1,000
<b>Lethbridge</b>	\$210,814
<b>Medicine Hat</b>	\$7,784
<b>Millet</b>	\$16,000
<b>Mundare</b>	\$20,000
<b>Ponoka</b>	\$200
<b>Red Deer</b>	\$77,821
<b>Sherwood Park</b>	\$463
<b>Spruce Grove</b>	\$415
<b>St. Albert</b>	\$5,804
<b>TOTAL - Alberta</b>	\$5,480,023
<b>TOTAL - Canada</b>	\$93,644,234
<b>Alberta as % of Canada</b>	5.85%

**Table 3**  
**LIST OF CANADA COUNCIL GRANTS TO ALBERTA**  
**ARTS ORGANIZATIONS AND ARTISTS**

**GRANTS TO ARTS ORGANIZATIONS**

<b>Dance</b>	<b>\$283,851</b>	
Aboriginal Film Video Art Alliance/ The Banff Centre for the Arts	\$10,000	Banff
Alberta Ballet Company	\$60,000	Calgary
City of St Albert	\$366	St. Albert
Dancers' Studio West	\$26,785	Calgary
One Yellow Rabbit Performance Theatre	\$10,000	Calgary
The Banff Centre	\$6,000	Banff
The Brian Webb Dance Company	\$65,800	Edmonton
University of Lethbridge Department of Dramatic Arts	\$22,900	Lethbridge
Vinok Folkdance Society	\$82,000	Edmonton
<b>Music</b>	<b>\$1,563,740</b>	
Aboriginal Film Video Art Alliance/ The Banff Centre for the Arts	\$25,000	Banff
African Festival & Presentation Society of Calgary	\$10,500	Calgary
Calgary Opera Association	\$206,100	Calgary
Calgary Philharmonic Society	\$555,800	Calgary
Edmonton Composers' Concert Society	\$6,600	Edmonton
Edmonton Opera	\$57,000	Edmonton
Edmonton Symphony Orchestra	\$565,448	Edmonton
Hamm, Corey / Clayden, Andrew / Read, Ken	\$2,640	Edmonton
Lethbridge Symphony Association	\$16,800	Lethbridge
New Works Calgary	\$19,502	Calgary
One Yellow Rabbit/ New Works Calgary	\$4,000	Calgary
Pro Coro Canada	\$40,700	Edmonton
The Banff Centre	\$50,500	Banff
The Hammerhead Consort	\$3,150	Edmonton
<b>Theatre</b>	<b>\$1,607,429</b>	
Alberta Theatre Projects	\$289,200	Calgary
Association L'UniThéâtre	\$46,424	Edmonton
Calgary International Children's Festival	\$1,075	Calgary
Catalyst Theatre	\$68,600	Edmonton
City of St Albert	\$438	St. Albert
Fringe Theatre Adventures Society	\$37,800	Edmonton
Kehewin Native Performance and Resource Network	\$8,000	Calgary
Lunchbox Theatre	\$46,200	Calgary
Maenad Productions	\$346	Calgary
Northern Light Theatre	\$72,000	Edmonton
One Yellow Rabbit Performance Theatre	\$111,676	Calgary
Punjabi Art Association of Edmonton	\$39,700	Edmonton
Quest Theatre	\$56,300	Calgary
Ronnie Burkett Theatre of Marionettes	\$9,700	Calgary
Shiny Beast Theatre Collective	\$8,000	Calgary
Takwakin Theatre	\$15,000	Edmonton
The Banff Centre	\$36,000	Banff
The Citadel Theatre	\$375,600	Edmonton
Theatre Calgary	\$148,800	Calgary
Theatre Junction	\$7,000	Calgary
Theatre Network	\$150,370	Edmonton
Workshop West Theatre	\$79,200	Edmonton
<b>Visual Arts</b>	<b>\$546,645</b>	
Alberta College of Art and Design	\$2,700	Calgary
EM/Media	\$15,240	Calgary
Grant MacEwan Community College	\$2,000	Edmonton
Keyano College Visual and PerformingArts Department	\$3,000	Fort McMurray
Latitude 53 Gallery	\$36,000	Edmonton

Muttart Art Gallery	\$49,600	Calgary
Red Deer and District Museum and Archives	\$13,375	Red Deer
Society of Northern Alberta Print Artists (SNAP)	\$24,000	Edmonton
Southern Alberta Art Gallery	\$79,300	Lethbridge
Stride Art Gallery	\$30,000	Calgary
Syntax Arts Society	\$9,600	Calgary
The Edmonton Art Gallery	\$80,100	Edmonton
The New Gallery	\$28,680	Calgary
The Nickle Arts Museum	\$16,650	Calgary
Truck Gallery	\$30,000	Calgary
University of Alberta, Department of Art and Design	\$6,800	Edmonton
University of Lethbridge, Department of Art	\$12,500	Lethbridge
Walter Phillips Gallery	\$107,100	Banff

#### **Media Arts**

**\$296,700**

Aboriginal Film and Video Art Alliance	\$18,500	Banff
Calgary Society of Independent Filmmakers (CSIF)	\$48,200	Calgary
Dreamspeakers Festival Society	\$27,000	Edmonton
EM/Media	\$57,000	Calgary
Film and Video Arts Society, Alberta (FAVA)	\$73,200	Edmonton
Herland: A Feminist Film and Video Celebration	\$11,000	Calgary
Metro Cinema Society	\$22,000	Edmonton
Quickdraw Animation Society	\$31,800	Calgary
The Boreal Electroacoustic Music Society	\$8,000	Edmonton

#### **Writing and Publishing**

**\$360,564**

##### **Writing and Publishing Organizations**

\$326,506

Absinthe Literary Society	\$10,000	Calgary
Bayeux Arts Inc	\$4,000	Calgary
Book Publishers Association of Alberta	\$12,500	Edmonton
Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies	\$5,000	Edmonton
Circle of Aboriginal Controlled Publishers	\$10,000	Banff
Dandelion Magazine	\$8,400	Calgary
Fifth House Ltd	\$52,030	Calgary
Kehewin Native Performance and Resource Network	\$10,000	Calgary
Les Éditions Duval	\$7,800	Edmonton
Native Playwright's Collective	\$10,000	Edmonton
NeWest Publishers Ltd	\$63,353	Edmonton
On Spec Magazine	\$12,600	Edmonton
Red Deer College Press	\$63,700	Red Deer
The Banff Centre	\$1,630	Banff
St Albert Public Library	\$5,000	St. Albert
The Books Collective	\$49,716	Edmonton
Word Fest Banff-Calgary International Writers Festival	\$777	Calgary

##### **Literary Readings Program - Host Organizations**

\$34,059

Aboriginal Arts Program	\$410	Banff
Absinthe Literary Society	\$804	Calgary
Alberta Playwrights Network	\$775	Calgary
Calgary Public Library	\$400	Calgary
Canmore Public Library	\$912	Canmore
Children's Literature Roundtable, Edmonton	\$288	Edmonton
Children's Literature Roundtable, Grande Prairie Alberta	\$1,811	Grande Prairie
Drumheller Public Library	\$672	Drumheller
Edmonton Public Library, Idylwyld Branch	\$705	Edmonton
Eye Rhymes Conference and Festival Organizing Committee	\$1,195	Edmonton
Grand Centre Public Library	\$275	Cold Lake
Grant MacEwan Community College, Department of English	\$536	Edmonton
Lethbridge Community College	\$1,800	Lethbridge
Lethbridge Public Library	\$595	Lethbridge
Medicine Hat College	\$200	Medicine Hat
Medicine Hat Public Library	\$2,384	Medicine Hat
Orlando Books	\$351	Edmonton
Pages Books on Kensington	\$100	Calgary
Para-Poetic Series	\$1,899	Calgary

Peace Library System, Grande Prairie	\$1,703	Grande Prairie
Ponoka Jubilee Library	\$200	Ponoka
Praxis Society / Praxis Hotline	\$200	Medicine Hat
Red Deer Public Library	\$746	Red Deer
Spruce Grove Public Library	\$415	Spruce Grove
Strathcona County Library	\$463	Sherwood Park
T.A.L.E.S. - Lethbridge	\$582	Coaldale
The Alberta College of Art, Humanities Department	\$1,625	Calgary
The Banff Centre	\$2,305	Banff
University of Alberta, Department of English	\$547	Edmonton
University of Calgary - Speakers' Committee	\$626	Calgary
University of Calgary, Dept of French, Italian and Spanish	\$200	Calgary
Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies	\$3,088	Banff
Women of colour Collective	\$400	Calgary
Writers' Guild of Alberta	\$248	Edmonton
Young Alberta Book Festival Society	\$4,599	Edmonton
<b>Other</b>	<b>\$17,391</b>	
Arts Touring Alliance of Alberta	\$13,796	Calgary
Herland: A Feminist Film and Video Celebration	\$3,000	Calgary
Women of Colour Collective	\$595	Calgary

## GRANTS TO ALBERTA ARTISTS

<b>Dance</b>	<b>\$919</b>	
Lisa Doolittle	\$419	Lethbridge
Usha Gupta	\$500	Edmonton
<b>Music</b>	<b>\$78,560</b>	
John Abram	\$500	Calgary
Roger Deegan	\$10,000	Edmonton
Corey Hamm	\$3,960	Edmonton
Judy Kang	\$1,000	Edmonton
Hope Lee	\$15,000	Calgary
Marc Patch	\$15,500	Banff
P. J. Perry	\$5,000	Edmonton
Tim Tamashiro	\$7,600	Calgary
Kathleen Yearwood	\$20,000	Mundare
<b>Theatre</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	
Lindsay Bell	\$1,000	Edmonton
Manon Beaudoin	\$10,000	Edmonton
Pierre Bokor	\$500	Edmonton
Kenneth Cameron	\$1,000	Calgary
Shomee Chakrabartty	\$6,500	Edmonton
Sandra Dempsey	\$1,000	Calgary
Paul Gelineau	\$1,000	Edmonton
Jane Heather	\$7,000	Edmonton
D.D. Kugler	\$1,000	Edmonton
Alexandria Patience	\$1,000	Calgary
<b>Visual Arts</b>	<b>\$287,000</b>	
Martin Bennett	\$5,000	Medicine Hat
Anthony Bloom	\$1,000	Canmore
Eric Cameron	\$34,000	Calgary
Janet Cardiff	\$15,000	Lethbridge
Katrina Chaytor-Rozman	\$1,000	Edmonton
Bibi Clement	\$2,000	Hythe
Christopher Cran	\$34,000	Calgary
Wendy Ehlers	\$6,000	Calgary
Norman Faulkner	\$34,000	Calgary
Somani Ferley	\$1,000	Calgary

Jennifer Gordon	\$15,000	Lethbridge
David Hoffos	\$5,000	Lethbridge
Béatrice Lefèvre	\$5,000	Calgary
Allan MacKay	\$34,000	Banff
Luanne Martineau	\$6,000	Calgary
Kathryn McKelvey	\$5,000	Calgary
Holly Newman	\$5,000	Edmonton
Steven Nunoda	\$5,000	Calgary
Gregory Payce	\$1,000	Calgary
Mireille Perron	\$1,000	Calgary
Catherine Ross	\$15,000	Lethbridge
Tanya Rusnak	\$5,000	Calgary
Paul Smith	\$15,000	Lethbridge
Laura Vickerson	\$1,000	Calgary
Peter Von Tiesenhausen	\$1,000	Demmitt
Garry Williams	\$34,000	Calgary
Clinton Wilson	\$1,000	Edmonton

**Media Arts**

**\$190,224**

Jill Armstrong	\$6,000	Calgary
Carolynn Beecher	\$59,724	Calgary
Don Best	\$14,000	Calgary
David Christensen	\$10,000	Calgary
Alan Dunning	\$20,000	Calgary
David Garneau	\$7,000	Calgary
Robert Hamilton	\$10,000	Lethbridge
Steven Heimbecker	\$20,000	Calgary
Gerald Kisil	\$1,000	Calgary
Zarqa Nawaz	\$15,500	Calgary
Leila Sujir	\$11,000	Calgary
Wayne Traudt	\$1,000	Calgary
Sheila Urbanoski	\$15,000	Calgary

**Writing**

**\$217,000**

David Albahari	\$21,000	Calgary
Gail Anderson-Dargatz	\$16,000	Millet
Timothy Bowling	\$10,500	Edmonton
Laurent Chabin	\$5,000	Calgary
John Chief Calf	\$1,500	Lethbridge
Nancy Cullen	\$10,000	Calgary
Heather Elton	\$10,000	Calgary
Hiromi Goto	\$10,000	Calgary
Claire Harris	\$20,000	Calgary
Robert Hilles	\$20,000	Calgary
Myrna Kostash	\$21,000	Edmonton
Ashok Mathur	\$10,000	Calgary
Sarah Murphy	\$16,000	Calgary
Kevin Mustus	\$2,000	Calgary
Roberta Rees	\$10,000	Calgary
Charles Russell	\$10,000	Cochrane
Norman Sacuta	\$10,000	Edmonton
Gloria Sawai	\$10,000	Edmonton
Lorraine Sinclair	\$4,000	Edmonton