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Introduction

The Department of Canadian Heritage plays a vital role in the cultural and civic life of all Canadians.

Though our many initiatives, we aim to build a more cohesive and creative country that helps Canadians:

- Express and share their diverse cultural experiences with each other and the world; and
- Live in an inclusive society built on intercultural understanding and citizen participation.

With these outcomes in mind, we are proud to present the *Guide to Canadian Heritage Financial Support Programs*. Through these programs, Canadian Heritage helps to promote culture, the arts, heritage, official languages, citizenship and participation, multiculturalism, youth, sport and Aboriginal initiatives. Financial support for these programs includes grants and contributions, bursaries, tax credits and other means.

This guide provides a brief description of our programs, as well as information on how, when and where to apply for funding. Since our programs change from time to time, we encourage you to visit the Department's Web site for the most up-to-date information at www.canadianheritage.gc.ca.

For most programs, first contact should be with your local Canadian Heritage office. Where this is not the case, the contact information is included in the program description. In some cases, programs are managed with the assistance of a partner organization, often in the non-profit sector.

Our hope is that this guide will assist Canadians in understanding both the range of financial support programs that we offer, and how to access them.

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Aboriginal Peoples' Program

Aboriginal Friendship Centres

Objective

To support the operations of a national and affiliated provincial/territorial associations and Aboriginal Friendship Centres enabling the provision of a wide range of culturally appropriate programs and services directed at improving the lives and strengthening the cultural identity of urban Aboriginal people.

Who can apply?

Aboriginal Friendship Centres (AFC) should apply directly to the National Association of Friendship Centres (NAFC), which administers funding to recipients under a Transfer Agreement with Canadian Heritage.

When is the deadline?

Eligible recipients should contact the NAFC regarding deadlines for application.

For more information

Aboriginal Programs Directorate Canadian Heritage

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(819) 994-3835 Tel.: Fax: (819) 953-2673

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National Association of Friendship Centres

275 MacLaren Street Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0L9

(613) 563-4844 Tel.: Fax: (613) 594-3428

National Women's Organizations

Objective

To support the operations of national Aboriginal women's organizations representing Métis, First Nations, Non-Status Indian and Inuit women to provide political representation and advocacy.

Who can apply?

Autonomous, national Aboriginal women's organizations representing the interests of their respective First Nations, Non-Status, Inuit, and Métis constituents.

When is the deadline?

Eligible organizations are invited to submit their application to the Department of Canadian Heritage in February, prior to the beginning of the fiscal year for which funding is being requested. Funding is committed on an annual basis, based on approved objectives, major activity areas, and budget for each application.

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Northern Aboriginal Broadcasting

Objective

To ensure that programming for Aboriginal Peoples living in the North reflects their languages, cultures, community issues, concerns, and current affairs by providing funding and assistance to Aboriginal broadcasters for the production and distribution of Aboriginal radio and television programming.

Who can apply?

A total of 13 Aboriginal broadcasting societies that serve the Aboriginal communities in northern Canada.

When is the deadline?

Eligible organizations are invited to submit their applications to the Department of Canadian Heritage in February, prior to the fiscal year for which funding is being requested.

For more information

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Post-Secondary Scholarship Program

Objective

To enable Aboriginal students to attain higher levels of education and to build a better future for themselves and for their communities through support for scholarships based on merit and need.

Who can apply?

The Post-Secondary Scholarship Program is managed and delivered by the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, through an endowment.

Aboriginal students enrolled in, or accepted for enrollment in, full-time or part-time post-secondary studies of two or more academic years in duration, which are recognized by Canadian and foreign post-secondary institutions in fields of study that support and contribute to Aboriginal self-government and economic self-reliance. Aboriginal students who meet the above criteria can apply directly to the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation through their Web site at www.naaf.ca or by calling toll-free at 1 800 329-9780.

When is the deadline?

The National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation establishes the deadlines for applications.

For more information

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Representative Organizations

Objective

To support the operations of Aboriginal organizations representing Métis Non-Status Indian and Inuit peoples to provide political representation and advocacy.

Who can apply?

Some 27 non-profit organizations providing political representation, advocacy, and negotiation on behalf of Inuit, Métis, and Non-Status Indian peoples including the three national representative organizations (Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, Métis National Council, and Congress of Aboriginal Peoples) and their recognized provincial/territorial/regional affiliates.

When is the deadline?

Eligible organizations are invited to submit their application to the Department of Canadian Heritage in February, prior to the beginning of the fiscal year for which funding is being requested. Funding is committed on an annual basis, based on approved objectives, major activity areas, and budget for each applicant.

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Support for Aboriginal Languages

Objective

To support First Nation, Inuit and Métis community-based language projects in order to preserve, promote, and revitalize the loss of Aboriginal languages and cultures.

Changes to the Program

The Aboriginal Languages Initiative (ALI), the Department of Canadian Heritage's delivery of support for First Nation, Inuit, and Métis languages, is scheduled to sunset on March 31, 2006. As a result, the program will undergo changes for 2006-07. Canadian Heritage will be communicating with organizations and communities coming early in 2006-07 with regard to the department's approach to continued funding.

Who can apply?

Eligible recipients include Aboriginal organizations that are involved in the preservation, revitalization, and promotion of First Nations, Inuit or Métis languages. Such organizations could include national, regional or local Aboriginal representative organizations; Aboriginal governments or institutions; Aboriginal cultural education centres; Aboriginal service organizations; community groups or ad-hoc committees; and others.

When is the deadline?

Applicants should contact the Aboriginal Languages Directorate for information on applying for language project funding. It is generally recommended to apply approximately three months in advance of the project start date in order to allow sufficient time for analysis and approval of the proposal.

For more information

Aboriginal Languages Directorate Canadian Heritage

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Territorial Language Accords

Objective

To ensure the development, maintenance, and revitalization of the Aboriginal languages of the three territories (Yukon, Northwest Territories, and Nunavut) by enabling and encouraging their use at home, at school, and in the community.

Who can apply?

The governments of the Northwest Territories, Yukon and Nunavut.

When is the deadline?

No deadline for application.

For more information

Aboriginal Languages Directorate Canadian Heritage 12 York Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M5

Tel: (613) 998-9212 Fax: (613) 998-9142

E-mail: autochtone_aboriginal@pch.gc.ca

Urban Multipurpose Aboriginal Youth Centres

Objective

To support community-based culturally appropriate projects designed to improve the skills, knowledge and leadership of urban Aboriginal youth.

Who can apply?

- The National Association of Friendship Centres, the Métis National Council and its provincial affiliates, and the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami and its regional affiliates deliver the Urban Multipurpose Aboriginal Youth Centres (UMAYC) to eligible recipients; they may apply for funding directly to the Department of Canadian Heritage.
- Eligible recipients include, but are not limited to: local friendship centres; Aboriginal representative, service delivery, and voluntary organizations; Aboriginal academic institutions; Aboriginal cultural, educational, and recreational organizations/centres; Aboriginal youth and women's organizations; and coalitions of such Aboriginal organizations.
- The regional offices of Canadian Heritage administer funding for the UMAYC Initiative in the cities of Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert, Edmonton, and Calgary.
- Eligible recipients should call the appropriate organization(s) listed below to determine where to send their application.

When is the deadline?

Eligible recipients should contact the appropriate organization regarding deadlines for application.

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Women's Community Initiatives

Objective

To support projects addressing issues affecting Aboriginal women and their families which strengthen their cultural identity and participation in Canadian society.

There are two additional components under Women's Community Initiatives:

- 1. The Family Violence Initiative enables Aboriginal women to address violence-related issues, within both the nuclear and extended family in Aboriginal communities.
- 2. The Women's Self-Government Participation enables Aboriginal women to participate fully and equitably in the consultations and decision-making process related to Aboriginal self-government issues.

Who can apply?

National, regional, and community-based Aboriginal women's organizations that represent the interests of Aboriginal women.

When is the deadline?

Funding deadlines vary from region to region. Eligible applicants should contact their regional representative.

For more information

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Arts and Culture

Arts Presentation Canada

Objective

Arts Presentation Canada gives Canadians direct access to diverse, quality artistic experiences through the financial assistance to arts presenters or the organizations that support them.

Who can apply?

- Canadian, non-profit organizations incorporated under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act (or under corresponding provincial or territorial legislation) that present, in a professional manner, artistic experiences originating from more than one province or territory or, that strengthen networking activities of Canadian performing arts presenters.
- Presenters that are provincial/territorial, municipal institutions.
- First Nation Tribal or Band Council / Inuit Organizations will also be considered.

For more information

Please contact the nearest regional office of Canadian Heritage.

Book Publishing Industry Development Program

Objective

To ensure choice of and access to Canadian-authored books that reflect Canada's cultural diversity and linguistic duality, both in Canada and abroad. The Program seeks to achieve this objective by fostering a strong and viable Canadian book industry that publishes and promotes Canadian-authored books. The Program has four components:

- 1. Aid to Publishers
- 2. Collective Initiatives
- 3. Supply Chain Initiative
- 4. International Marketing Assistance

Who can apply?

- Canadian-owned-and-controlled book publishers, that have been in business for at least 36 months.
- Canadian-owned-and-controlled associations, organizations, agencies, or firms representing one or more sectors of the book trade.

When are the deadlines?

Aid to Publishers May 1

Collective Initiatives 3 months prior to project start date

Supply Chain Initiative

Support for Book Publishers May 1

Support for Book Distribution,

Retail, and other 3 months prior to project start date

International Marketing Assistance March 3

For more information

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Canada Magazine Fund

Objectives

The objectives of the Canada Magazine Fund (CMF) are to foster the creation of Canadian editorial content in Canadian magazines to enhance the quality and diversity of Canadian magazines and to strengthen the infrastructure of the Canadian magazine industry.

The CMF is composed of four components:

- 1. Formula-based **Support for Editorial Content** (SEC)
- 2. Formula-based **Support for Arts and Literary Magazines** (SALM)
- 3. Project-based Support for Business Development for Small Magazine **Publishers** (SBDSMP)
- 4. Project-based **Support for Industry Development** (SID)

Who can apply?

Eligible Canadian magazine publishers and eligible Canadian magazines must have a minimum average of 80% Canadian editorial content to apply for the Support for Editorial Content, Support for Business Development for Small Magazine Publishers, and Support for Arts and Literary Magazines components. Each component has specific eligibility criteria.

When is the deadline?

Support for Editorial Content

Application deadline is October 1, 2006. Contact the CMF.

Support for Business Development for Small Magazine Publishers

Project applications must be received by the CMF at least four months prior to the beginning of the project.

Support for Industry Development

Project applications must be received by the CMF at least four months prior to the beginning of the project.

Support for Arts and Literary Magazines

April 15, 2006.

For more information

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Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/cmf

Canada Music Fund

Objectives

To seek to strengthen the Canadian sound recording industry "from creators to audience." The Fund has three overarching public policy goals:

- 1. To ensure that Canadian music artists and entrepreneurs have the skills, know-how, and tools to succeed in a global and digital environment
- 2. To enhance Canadians' access to a diverse range of Canadian music choices through existing and emerging media
- 3. To increase the opportunities available for Canadian music artists and cultural entrepreneurs to make a significant and lasting contribution to Canadian cultural expression

The CMF includes seven funding components, which complement the public policy goals:

- 1. Creators' Assistance Component administered by the SOCAN Foundation
- 2. Canadian Musical Diversity Component administered by the Canada Council for the Arts
- 3. New Musical Works Component administered by FACTOR and Musicaction
- 4. Music Entrepreneur Component administered by the Department of Canadian Heritage
- 5. Support to Sector Associations Component administered by the Department of Canadian Heritage
- 6. Collective Initiatives Component administered by FACTOR and **MUSICACTION**
- 7. Canadian Music Memories Component administered by the Department of Canadian Heritage in partnership with Library and Archives Canada and the Audio-Visual Preservation Trust of Canada.

Who can apply?

Varies according to funding component, but generally Canadian individuals, firms, and organizations in the music industry.

When are the deadlines?

Please contact the appropriate administrative body for application deadlines.

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Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/cmf-music

Library and Archives Canada

Recorded Sound and Video Music Division 395 Wellington Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N4

Audio-Visual Preservation Trust of Canada

P.O. Box 4861, Station "E" Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5J1

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Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program

Objective

The Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program aims to strengthen organizational effectiveness and build capacity of arts and heritage organizations. It is composed of four program components: Stabilization Projects, Capacity Building, Endowment Incentives, and Networking Initiatives.

The **Stabilization Projects** component helps establish Projects that are run by independent, non-profit organizations governed by representative boards of directors within a specific geographic area. Stabilization Projects, in turn, support arts and heritage organizations in their areas by offering technical expertise. Some also offer assistance to reduce deficits and build working capital reserves.

Who can apply?

Independent, not-for-profit stabilization organizations

The Capacity Building component helps individual arts and heritage organizations that do not have access to assistance from a Stabilization Project to improve their administrative, organizational, and financial structures.

Who can apply?

- Professional not-for-profit arts organizations
- National, not-for-profit professional arts service organizations
- Professional, not-for-profit heritage organizations
- National or provincial, not-for-profit, professional heritage service organizations

Through the **Endowment Incentives** component, the Government of Canada will encourage Canadians to donate to arts organizations by providing funding, when a private donation is made to an arts organization's endowment fund.

Who can apply?

Professional not-for-profit arts organizations with an associated public charitable foundation.

The Networking Initiatives component supports networking projects of national scope whose goal is to support local cultural development by developing and sustaining the capacity of participants to foster sustainable cultural practices.

Who can apply?

Not-for-profit organizations.

For more information

Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program **Canadian Heritage**

15 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

E-mail: cahsp_pcapc@pch.gc.ca

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pcapc-cahsp/index_e.cfm

or contact your nearest regional office of Canadian Heritage.

Canadian Film or Video Production Tax Credit

Objective

The objective of the Canadian Film or video production tax credit (CPTC) is to encourage Canadian programming and to develop an active domestic production sector. This fully refundable tax credit is available at a rate of 25 percent of the qualified labour expenditure (QLE) of an eligible production. The CPTC is jointly administered by the Canadian Audio-Visual Certification Office (CAVCO) and the Canada Revenue Agency.

Who can apply?

Canadian film and television production companies across Canada.

When is the deadline?

Contact CAVCO for details.

For more information

CAVCO

100 Sparks Street, 4th Floor Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M5

Tel.: (613) 946-7600 Toll-free: 1 888 433-2200 (613) 946-7602 Fax:

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/cavco

Canadian Independent Film and Video Fund

Objective

The Canadian Independent Film and Video Fund (CIFVF) provides financial assistance to independent producers for the development and production of English and French language films, videos and multimedia programs in a variety of subject areas using the formats of documentary, docu-drama, drama and animation to inform, educate and/or instruct.

Who can apply?

The producer of the project, who must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident. As well, the production company or the non-profit production organization must be Canadian-owned and -controlled.

When is the deadline?

March 16, 2006.

For more information

Canadian Independent Film and Video Fund

Tel.: (613) 729-1900 Toll-free: 1 888 386-5555 Fax: (613) 729-4610 E-mail: info@cifvf.ca Web site: www.cifvf.ca

Canadian Television Fund

Objective

To assist with the creation and peak viewing hour broadcast of high-quality and culturally significant Canadian television programs in both official languages in the drama, variety, children's, documentaries, and performing arts genres, and by both the majority and minority official-languages production sectors.

The Canadian Television Fund (CTF) is a non-profit, privately incorporated, corporation with an 20-member board of directors drawn from all facets of the broadcasting and production communities, as well as from government.

Telefilm Canada administers CTF funds through a service contract with the CTF. Funding assistance is provided through license fee top-up and equity investment. There are two funding streams within the CTF for 2006-2007.

Broadcaster performance envelope stream

Support for all eligible genres of programming are administered through broadcaster performance envelopes. Broadcasters have the flexibility to direct CTF funding to productions through dedicated envelopes. The size of each broadcaster's envelope will be adjusted annually to reflect the degree to which the productions selected by the broadcasters meet the goals of the CTF, including audiences and support to regional production.

Special initiatives stream

The CTF will also fund certain special initiatives, notably French-language productions in minority situations, feature films with a television window, productions in Aboriginal languages, project development and versioning of CTF-supported productions into the other official language.

Who can apply?

Any Canadian-controlled independent production company or broadcasteraffiliated production company may apply for financing. The Fund supports programming in English, French, and Aboriginal languages in the categories of drama, documentary, children's and youth programming, and variety and performing arts. A Canadian broadcaster must show fund-assisted projects in prime time within two years of completion.

When is the Deadline?

Please consult the CTF Guidelines.

For more information

Telefilm Canada

Tel.: (514) 283-6363 (Montreal)

(902) 426-8425 (Halifax) (416) 973-6436 (Toronto) (604) 666-1566 (Vancouver)

Toll-free: 1 877 975-0766 Web site: www.telefilm.gc.ca

Canadian Television Fund Corporation

Toll-free: 1 877 975-0766

Web site: www.canadiantelevisionfund.ca

Cultural Capitals of Canada

Objective

The Cultural Capitals of Canada Program recognizes and supports Canadian municipalities that implement special activities to celebrate and promote culture and the arts.

Each year, Canadian municipalities can apply for:

- the Cultural Capital of Canada Award, given to up to five municipalities with an ongoing commitment to culture and the arts that submit a proposal to celebrate and build a legacy for the arts and culture.
- the Innovative Cultural Bridges prize (one per year), given to a group of two or more municipalities (in at least two provinces or territories), for innovative cultural partnerships that focus on reciprocal cultural exchanges or partnerships to celebrate the community identity of each partner.

Who can apply?

Canadian municipalities, i.e. a town, city, regional municipality or district with a duly constituted government, including First Nations, Inuit and Métis equivalent governments, can apply for an award.

The Cultural Capitals of Canada designations are awarded to municipalities individually or in groups.

For the **Innovative Cultural Bridges**, a group of two or more communities, located in at least two provinces or territories, must submit a joint application.

Deadline

March 15, 2006, for the 2008 awards. October 15, 2006, for 2009 awards.

For more information

Toll-free: 1 866 661-0662

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/ccc/index_e.cfm

Cultural Spaces Canada

Objectives

The Cultural Spaces Canada Program (CSC) contributes to improved physical conditions for artistic creativity and innovation. It is designed to increase and improve access for Canadians to performing arts, visual arts, media arts, and to museum collections, heritage displays and exhibitions. CSC supports the improvement, renovation and construction of arts and heritage facilities, and the acquisition of specialized equipment as well as conducting feasibility studies for cultural infrastructure projects.

Who can apply?

- Non-profit arts and heritage organizations operating in a professional manner incorporated under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act or under corresponding provincial or territorial legislation
- Provincial/territorial governments, municipal, or regional governments and their agencies, as well as First Nations and Inuit equivalent governments or equivalent Aboriginal peoples institutions or organizations (Aboriginal peoples include Inuit, Métis, Status and Non-Status people)
- N.B. Federal organizations and federal Crown corporations are not eligible for funding.

For more information

Please contact the nearest Canadian Heritage regional office. Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/ecc-csp/index_e.cfm

Film or Video Production Services Tax Credit

Objective

The Film or Video Production Services Tax Credit (PSTC) is designed to enhance Canada as a location of choice for film and video productions employing Canadians as well as strengthen the industry and secure investment. The PSTC is available at a rate of 16 per cent of qualified Canadian labour expenditures. The Canadian Audio-Visual Certification Office (CAVCO) coadministers the PSTC with the Canada Revenue Agency.

Who can apply?

Canadian or foreign-owned corporations primarily involved in film or video production or production services in Canada.

When are the deadlines?

Contact CAVCO for details.

For more information

CAVCO

100 Sparks Street, 4th Floor Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M5

Tel.: (613) 946-7600 Toll-free: 1 888 433-2200 Fax: (613) 946-7602

National Arts Training Contribution Program

Objective

The National Arts Training Contribution Program supports independent, non-profit, incorporated, Canadian organizations that train Canadians for professional national/international artistic careers. The artistic impacts of these organizations are pan-Canadian. Through their achievements, these organizations support the cultural development of Canada. This program provides support on a multi-year or annual basis for the ongoing operational activities of the organizations' professional programs.

Who can apply?

Applicants must:

- 1. Be incorporated in Canada as a non-profit organization.
- 2. Demonstrate that the activity for which funding is requested is not funded as a provincial post-secondary education activity (for the purposes of this program, post-secondary education is defined as education that follows 12 years of primary and secondary education) and that the activity does not result in the granting in that province of a post-secondary qualification such as a diploma, certificate, or degree.
- 3. Receive support for at least 30% of costs related to training work from sources other than this program, e.g. tuition, other levels of government, fundraising.
- 4. Be directed by recognized professionals. While organizations may operate programs for different purposes, funding under this program is directed to supporting training for a professional artistic career.
- 5. Have an administrative infrastructure to support its organizational objectives.
- 6. Have maintained a full-time operation in support of the professional training program for a minimum of three years.
- 7. Be accessible to Canadians through a national competitive admission process available in both official languages.

If your organization offers training related to Aboriginal arts or to artistic practices based on non-European cultural traditions, please contact the Arts Policy Branch to determine whether and to what extent the final two eligibility requirements must be met.

When is the deadline?

June 30.

For more information

The Arts Policy Branch Canadian Heritage 15 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 997-3777 (819) 994-6249 Fax: E-mail: natcp@pch.gc.ca

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pnfsa-natcp/index_e.cfm

National Training Program in the Film and Video Sector

Objective

To foster the professional development of emerging Canadian creators and to renew the skills of professional Canadian creators to ensure the healthy and thriving film and video industry that Canadian audiences can benefit from now and in the future. The program contributes the high-caliber training for talented Canadians from different regional, linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

Who can apply?

Canadian controlled and non-profit training organizations in the film and video sector.

Vancouver

When is the deadline?

Contact Telefilm Canada.

For more information

Telefilm Canada

Head Office

360 St. Jacques Street, Suite 700	609 Granville Street, Suite 410
Montreal, Quebec	Vancouver, British Columbia
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Tel.: (514) 283-6363 Toll-free: 1 800 567-0890 Fax: (514) 283-8212 Web site: www.telefilm.gc.ca	Tel.: (604) 666-1566 Toll-free: 1 800 663-7771 Fax: (604) 666-7754
Toronto 474 Bathurst Street, Suite 100 Toronto, Ontario M5T 2S6	Halifax 1717 Barrington Street, Suite 300 Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2A4
Tel.: (416) 973-6436	Tel.: (902) 426-8425
Toll-free: 1 800 463-4607	Toll-free: 1 800 565-1773
Fax: (416) 973-8606	Fax: (902) 426-4445

Publications Assistance Program

Objective

The Publications Assistance Program (PAP) works in partnership with the Canada Post Corporation to offset the mailing costs of Canadian content magazines and non-daily newspapers mailed within Canada.

The objectives of the program are:

- To ensure that Canadians continue to have access to Canadian magazines and non-daily newspapers with high levels of Canadian content;
- That Canadian magazines and non-daily newspapers reflecting diverse Canadian communities continue to be available to Canadians;
- That Canadian creators of content continue to have magazines and nondaily newspapers showcasing their work distributed to Canadian readers.

Who can apply?

Canadian publications, including periodicals, small local weekly newspapers, certain other weekly newspapers that meet the program's eligibility criteria.

When is the deadline?

Before submitting applications, publishers are requested to consult with program officers at the toll-free number or to visit the Program Web site.

For more information

Publications Assistance Program Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street, 4th Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 997-4974 Toll-free: 1 800 641-9221 (819) 997-4995 Fax: E-mail: pap@pch.gc.ca

Trade Routes

Objectives

To assist Canadian arts and cultural enterprises and non-profit organizations in making the most of international business development opportunities. Trade Routes is the only comprehensive trades development program specifically designed for the arts and cultural sector. It helps private and non-profit sector entrepreneurs to strategically increase their export capacity and sell in international markets. Services available include: market entry support from eight locations across Canada; in market assistance from five key missions abroad; research; and a contributions program.

Who can apply?

To receive funding from the contributions program, an organization must be either:

- A Canadian owned and controlled cultural organization (including for-profit and not-for-profit corporations and associations) incorporated under the laws of Canada or of a province or territory; or
- A national, provincial, municipal or community association; or
- An export-service provider, such as an industry association, business, academic institution or chamber of commerce.

When is the deadline?

There are no routine preset deadlines for Trade Routes' contribution program. However, applicants are encouraged to submit their proposals and secure approval well in advance of the expected start date of the initiative.

For more information

Trade and Investment Development Directorate Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street, 6th floor Gatineau, OC K1A 0M5

Toll free: 1-866-999-7233 (819) 953-5367 Fax:

E-mail: traderoutescommerciales@pch.gc.ca Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/routes



Canada's Heritage

Canada-France Agreement on Museum Cooperation and Exchanges

Objective

To support exchanges between Canadian and French institutions in the museums field and encourage museum professionals in both countries to develop ties.

Who can apply?

- Incorporated, non-profit Canadian museums that provide services to the public year-round, employ at least the equivalent of one full-time professional staff, and have policies for key museological functions and a three to five year strategic/business plan.
- Incorporated, non-profit museums and heritage service organizations.

For more information

Canada-France Agreement Canadian Heritage

Guy-Favreau Complex 200 René-Lévesque Boulevard West West Tower, 6th Floor Montreal, Quebec H2Z 1X4

Tel.: (514) 283-7041 (514) 283-3036 Fax:

E-mail: ghislaine_alexandre@pch.gc.ca

Canada Travelling Exhibitions Indemnification Program

Objectives

Through this program, the Government of Canada assumes financial liability for loss or damage to objects in an eligible travelling exhibition. The purpose of the program is to increase access for Canadians to Canadian and world heritage.

Who can apply?

Canadian museums, art galleries, libraries, and archives.

When is the deadline?

October 1, 2006 and April 1, 2007.

For more information

Canada Travelling Exhibitions Indemnification Program Heritage Branch Canadian Heritage 15 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 953-1200 Fax: (819) 953-1621

E-mail: indemcanada@pch.gc.ca

Web site: http://www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pei-trx/index_e.cfm

"Celebrate Canada!" Program

Objective

To enhance pride in Canada by encouraging the participation of its citizens in "Celebrate Canada!" activities from June 21 to July 1 (including National Aboriginal Day – on June 21, Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day – June 24, Canadian Multiculturalism Day – June 27, and Canada Day – July 1).

Who can apply?

Non-governmental organizations, ad-hoc committees, community associations and charitable organizations, public and private corporations (except Crown corporations), municipal governments, public and private schools, school boards, and other educational institutions such as colleges and universities.

When is the deadline?

January 31

For more information

Contact the Celebrate Canada Committee in your province or territory or visit the Web site of "Celebrate Canada!" at www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/canada.

Movable Cultural Property Program

Objectives

To assist designated heritage institutions in Canada—through the Movable Cultural Property Grants Program—with the acquisition of nationally significant, cultural property that is threatened with export or located outside Canada.

To provide special tax incentives—under the provisions of the *Cultural* Property Export and Import Act—to encourage Canadians to donate or sell important objects to designated heritage institutions in Canada.

Who can apply?

Museums, galleries, libraries, archives, as well as public authorities designated by the Minister of Canadian Heritage under the Cultural Property Export and Import Act.

When are the deadlines?

Applications for grants are accepted throughout the year and are reviewed when they are received.

Applications for certification are accepted four or five times a year. Please refer to our Web site for specific dates.

For more information

Movable Cultural Property Program Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 997-7761 Toll-free: 1 866 999-2494 Fax: (819) 997-7757

E-mail: revboard_sec@pch.gc.ca

Web sites: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/mcp-bcm/mcp_e.cfm

www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/cebc-cperb/index_e.cfm

Museums Assistance Program

Objective

The Museums Assistance program provides financial assistance to Canadian museums and related institutions for activities that: facilitate Canadians' access to their heritage; foster professionalism in museological activities and operations; and foster the preservation, protection, and management of representative collections of Aboriginal cultures.

Who can apply?

For all components:

- Incorporated, non-profit Canadian museums that provide services to the public year-round, employ at least the equivalent of one full-time professional staff, and have policies for key museological functions and a three to five year strategic/business plan.
- Incorporated, non-profit museums and heritage service organizations.

For Aboriginal Heritage component:

In addition, Aboriginal Governing Bodies are eligible under this component.

When is the deadline?

November 1.

For more information

(819) 997-7982 Tel.: (819) 934-3201 Fax.:

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pam-map



Digital Future

Canada New Media Fund

Objective

To provide support for the market research, prototyping, product development, marketing, and online distribution of high-quality, original, interactive, Canadian new media products in both official languages that are intended for the general public and are competitive in international markets.

Who can apply?

Canadian companies and professional associations (organizations or agencies representing the Canadian new media industry) active in new media content production and distribution online, as well as companies that possess the expertise to create increased awareness for the Canadian cultural new media sector.

When is the deadline?

Contact Telefilm Canada for upcoming deadlines.

For more information

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Toll-free: Fax:	(514) 283-6363 1 800 567-0890 (514) 283-8212 www.telefilm.gc.ca	Tel.: Toll-free: Fax:	(416) 973-6436 1 800 463-4607 (416) 973-8606
Vancouver		Halifax	
609 Granville Street, Suite 410		1717 Barrington Street, Suite 300	
Vancouver, British Columbia		Halifax, Nova Scotia	
V7Y 1G5		B3J 2A4	
Tel.:	(604) 666-1566	Tel.:	(902) 426-8425
Toll-free:	1 800 663-7771	Toll-free:	1 800 565-1773
Fax:	(604) 666-7754	Fax:	(902) 426-4445

Canadian Memory Fund

Objective

The primary objective of the Canadian Memory Fund is to connect all Canadians with the riches of Canada's heritage by making key Canadian cultural collections held by federal institutions available free of charge via the Internet in both official languages. The Fund will provide meaningful and seamless access to content that helps deepen an understanding of Canada and of our rich diversity, especially for the benefit of Canadian youth and students.

Who can apply?

Federal institutions, including all federal departments, agencies and Crown corporations holding key collections relevant to Canada's culture and heritage.

When is the deadline?

A call for proposals is issued on an annual basis.

For more information

Canadian Culture Online Canadian Heritage

25 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor (25-3-V) Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 953-4817 Toll-free: 1 866 900-0001 (819) 994-8360 Fax: E-mail: ccop-pcce@pch.gc.ca

Community Memories Program

Objectives

To create a national online portrait of Canada's history by connecting individual local histories; to stimulate community-museum partnerships in the development of online local history exhibits; and to strengthen the capacity of smaller museums to create digital content for use on the World Wide Web and in local programming.

Who can apply?

- Public, not-for-profit museums that have demonstrated their commitment to work collaboratively with colleagues across the country by becoming basic or contributing members of the Canadian Heritage Information Network and the Virtual Museum of Canada.
- Institutions with no more than five full-time paid staff. Institutions that are entirely volunteer-run or whose communities are not defined geographically are included in this criterion.

When is the deadline?

A call for proposals is issued on an annual basis.

For more information

Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) Canadian Heritage

Community Memories Program 15 Eddy Street, 4th Floor (15-4-A) Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

(819) 994-1200 Tel.: Toll-free: 1 800 520-2446 E-mail: service@chin.gc.ca

Gateway Fund

Objectives

The primary objectives of the Gateway Fund are to:

- augment the amount of quality Canadian cultural content for the Internet;
- build audiences for that content by making it easy to find on the Internet; and
- engage Canadians to use the content and share their perspectives on Canadian events, people, and values.

Who can apply?

This call for proposals seeks to fund projects presented by and with content about Aboriginal Peoples and ethnocultural communities in Canada.

When is the deadline?

Deadline for funding for 2006-07 has passed. The deadline for 2007-08 is to be determined.

For more information

Canadian Culture Online Canadian Heritage

25 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor (25-3-V) Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 953-4817 Toll-free: 1 866 900-0001 Fax: (819) 994-8360 ccop-pcce@pch.gc.ca E-mail:

New Media Research and Development Initiative

Objective

The initiative has three objectives: 1) To help build research and development (R&D) capacity in Canada and to advance innovation, specifically in the area of digital cultural content; 2) to strengthen R&D capacity in small- to medium-size enterprises (SMEs) in the cultural new media industry; and 3) to encourage partnerships between organizations involved in developing innovations to allow them to share expertise and build on each others' strengths.

Projects must involve applied research that pertains to the Canadian cultural sector and interactive digital cultural content, develops technical innovations (e.g. tools, software applications or processes) and integrate the potential users of these innovations into research activities.

Who can apply?

Canadian organizations, including private-sector small- and medium-sized enterprises active in the cultural new media sector, not-for-profit arts and cultural organizations, non-governmental research institutes active in the cultural or other relevant sectors, and post-secondary educational institutions with a research mandate.

When is the deadline?

The deadline to apply for funding for the 2006-2008 fiscal years is May 1, 2006.

For more information

Canadian Culture Online Canadian Heritage 25 Eddy Street 3rd Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Toll-free: 1 866 900-0001 Fax: (819) 994-8360

E-mail: ccop-pcce@pch.gc.ca

New Media Research Networks Fund

Objective

Supports innovative applied research at the intersection of technology and culture through networks of public and private sector researchers that share knowledge, resources and facilities. Networks develop a thematic research program that has relevance for the cultural sector and promotes technological innovation in new media or interactive digital content.

Who can apply?

Canadian organizations, including private-sector small and medium-sized enterprises active in the cultural new media sector, non-governmental research institutes, public educational institutions with a research mandate, and not-forprofit arts and cultural organizations.

When is the deadline?

The deadline for 2007-08 is to be determined.

For more information

Canadian Culture Online Canadian Heritage 25 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor (25-3-V) Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 953-4817 Toll-free: 1 866 900-0001 Fax: (819) 994-8360 E-mail: ccop-pcce@pch.gc.ca

Partnerships Fund

Objective

The Partnerships Fund is designed to assist partnership initiatives between notfor-profit, public and private organizations and institutions to connect all Canadians with the riches of Canada's heritage by making Canadian cultural collections held by provincial, municipal and local cultural organizations available via the Internet in both official languages.

Who can apply?

Funding under the Partnerships Fund is available to Canadian registered or incorporated not-for-profit institutions active in the cultural heritage sector; public educational institutions; Aboriginal, municipal, or regional governments; or agencies of a provincial or territorial government.

When is the deadline?

Fall 2006.

For more information

Canadian Culture Online Canadian Heritage 25 Eddy Street, 3rd Floor (25-3-V) Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 953-4817 Toll-free: 1 866 900-0001 Fax: (819) 994-8360 ccop-pcce@pch.gc.ca E-mail:

Virtual Museum of Canada Investment Program

Objectives

To provide a branded collection of high-quality content and features to Canadians of all ages through a dynamic Internet service freely available in French and English: the Virtual Museum of Canada portal (VMC); to develop engaging content — through investment by the Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) — that takes advantage of the digital medium to create experiences that are not feasible in physical space or analogue media; and to develop a collaboration between Canadian museums and CHIN in support of the Virtual Museum of Canada.

Who can apply?

- Public, non-profit museums that have demonstrated their commitment to work collaboratively with colleagues across the country by becoming members of CHIN.
- Organizations that have an ongoing role in representing museums or managing several institutions (e.g. provincial museum associations, Heritage branches in certain provinces) and that are making proposals on behalf of multiple museums.

When is the deadline?

Calls for proposals take place in summer and winter.

For more information

Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street, 15-4-A Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 994-1200 Toll-free: 1 800 520-2446 Fax: (819) 994-9555 E-mail: service@chin.gc.ca



Multiculturalism and Human Rights

Human Rights Program

Objective

To increase the awareness, knowledge, and practical enjoyment of human rights in Canada, this program provides a limited number of grants and contributions to related projects.

Project proposals must establish clear links between the funding requested and the human rights education activities, along with the results to be achieved with respect to increasing awareness, knowledge, and practical enjoyment of human rights in Canada. To receive funding under this program, human rights standards as set out in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the international human rights agreements to which Canada is signatory must be an explicit and important part of the project activities. The program focuses on projects that reach a Canadian audience.

Who can apply?

Canadian non-profit organizations, professional organizations, universities, and post-secondary institutions.

When is the deadline?

An initial selection of projects for funding is made in May of each year. Additional applications are considered throughout the year, as long as funds remain available.

For more information

Human Rights Program Multiculturalism and Human Rights Branch Canadian Heritage

25 Eddy Street, 11th floor (15-11-B)Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 994-3458 (819) 994-5252 Fax:

E-mail: rights-droits@pch.gc.ca

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pdp-hrp/canada/grant_e.cfm

Multiculturalism Program

Objective

The Multiculturalism Program is one important means by which the Government of Canada pursues the three goals of the multiculturalism policy and the Canadian Multiculturalism Act: identity, social justice and civic participation. Funding provided under the terms and conditions of the Program support these goals and focus on initiatives that will achieve the following program objectives.

i) Ethno-Cultural/Racial Minorities Participate in Public Decision-Making (Civic Participation):

To assist in the development of strategies that facilitate full and active participation of ethnic, racial, cultural and religious communities in Canadian society.

ii) Communities and the Broad Public Engage in Informed Dialogue and Sustained Action to Combat Racism (Anti-Racism, Anti-Hate, **Cross-Cultural Understanding**):

To increase public awareness, understanding and informed public dialogue about multiculturalism, racism and cultural diversity in Canada.

To facilitate collective community initiatives and responses to ethnic, racial, cultural and religious conflict and hate-motivated activities.

iii) Public Institutions Eliminate Systemic Barriers (Institutional Change):

To improve the ability of public institutions to respond to ethnic, racial, cultural and religious diversity by assisting in the identification and removal of barriers to equitable access and by supporting the involvement of these ethno-racial/cultural communities in the public decision-making process.

Who Can Apply?

Financial assistance will be provided for not-for-profit projects to:

- Canadian not-for-profit organizations or associations
- Non-federal Canadian Public or public-interest institutions such as the media, boards of education, schools, colleges and universities, chambers of commerce, law enforcement and police agencies, hospitals and other health care institutions;
- Regional and municipal government and their agencies;
- First Nations and Inuit governments, band councils and organizations; and
- Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

When is the deadline?

You can apply at any time. It takes a minimum of eight weeks to assess your completed proposal. Proposals for research projects are requested through public calls, which have specific deadlines.

For more information

Toll-free: 1 888-77 Multi

E-mail: multi canada@pch.gc.ca

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/multi



Official Languages

Development of Official-Language Communities Program

Community Life Component

Cooperation with the Community Sector

Objectives

This sub-component aims to support the involvement of official-language community organizations and to reinforce their ability to take action to make measurable gains in long-term community development, as well as to encourage innovation and excellence.

Who can apply?

Non-profit organizations that reflect official-language minority community interests and whose mission, mandate, or majority of activities contribute to the development and expansion of official-language minority communities on a national, provincial, regional, or local scale.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

For local or provincial organizations, please contact the nearest Department of Canadian Heritage office. For national organizations, please contact:

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

(819) 994-5696 Tel: Fax: (819) 953-6580

Community Life Component

Interdepartmental Partnership with Official-Language Communities

Objective

This sub-component aims to encourage lasting partnerships between federal departments, agencies and official-language minority community associations or organizations.

Who can apply?

Federal departments and agencies whose programs and services contribute to the development of official-language minority communities and that wish to undertake new activities to support this development.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Please contact the nearest Department of Canadian Heritage office or the:

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-3577 Fax: (819) 953-3942

Community Life Component

Intergovernmental Cooperation on Minority-Language Services

Objective

This sub-component aims to help provincial and territorial governments offer provincial, territorial, and municipal services in the language of the officiallanguage minority community, as well as the necessary infrastructure to provide these services.

Who can apply?

Provincial and territorial governments.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Please contact the nearest Department of Canadian Heritage office or the:

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-2222 (819) 953-6580 Fax:

Community Life Component

Strategic Funds

Objective

This sub-component aims to assist official-language minority communities to encourage their citizens to participate in local community life in their own language, developing the vitality of the culture, and integrating into their local community life through large-scale projects.

Who can apply?

Non-profit organizations, associations, institutions, and provincial and territorial governments.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Please contact the nearest Department of Canadian Heritage office or the:

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-5696 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Community Life Component

Young Canada Works in Both Official Languages Young Canada Works at Building Careers in English and French

Objective

These two components of the Youth Employment Strategy aim to advance the skills and hands-on experience of young participants while encouraging their participation in the development of official-language minority communities.

Who can apply?

Information on eligibility criteria to both components is available on the Web site below or by calling the Government of Canada toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Closing dates for employers are specified on the Web site below.

For more information

Toll-free: 1 800 935-5555

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/ycw-jct/html/welcome_e.htm

Minority-Language Education Component

Cooperation with the Non-Governmental Sector

Objective

This sub-component aims to increase the production and dissemination of knowledge, methods, and tools to support minority-language education.

Who can apply?

Canadian non-profit organizations, professional associations, and post-secondary institutions.

Individuals and governmental organizations are not eligible.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

(819) 994-5696 Tel: Fax: (819) 953-6580

Minority-Language Education Component

Destination Clic-Programme d'enrichissement du français

Objective

This bursary program enables young Francophones from official-language minority communities to improve their first language skills through a five-week intensive summer course at an accredited post-secondary institution.

The program is administered by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC) in cooperation with the Department of Education or the department responsible for post-secondary education in provinces and territories.

Who can apply?

Information on how to have access to bursaries is available on the Web site below or by calling the CMEC toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below or call the toll-free line for information on the application deadline.

For more information

The Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC)

Toll-free: 1-877-866-4242

Web site: www.destinationclic.ca

Minority-Language Education Component

Intergovernmental Cooperation

Objective

This sub-component aims to help provincial and territorial governments, directly or through the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC), to offer to members of official-language minority communities an education in their own language.

Who can apply?

Provincial and territorial governments and the CMEC.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-2222 (819) 953-6580 Fax:

Minority-Language Education Component

Odyssey - Full-Time Language Assistant Program Accent — Part-Time Language Assistant Program

Objectives

These programs enable post-secondary youth to work with teachers in primary, secondary, and post-secondary institutions to enrich French first language courses and to support teaching in a minority setting.

The programs are administered by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC) in cooperation with the Department of Education or the department responsible for post-secondary education in provinces and territories.

Who can apply?

Information on how to have access to assistant positions is available on the Web sites below or by calling the CMEC toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web sites below or call the toll-free line for information on the application deadline.

For more information

The Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC)

Toll-free: 1 877 866-4242

Odyssey: www.myodyssey.ca Web sites:

Accent: www.myaccent.ca

Enhancement of Official Languages Program

Promotion of Linguistic Duality Component

Collaboration in Promotion

Objective

This funding vehicle aims to support the ongoing commitment and actions of organizations involved primarily in promoting linguistic duality and the provision of services in both official languages, with a focus on long-term outcomes.

Who can apply?

Financial assistance is targeted at duly constituted Canadian non-profit organizations whose main activities contribute to promoting linguistic duality in Canada.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this funding vehicle.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Te1: (819) 994-5696 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Enhancement of Official Languages Program

Promotion of Linguistic Duality Component

Support for Innovation

Objective

This funding vehicle aims to encourage innovative projects that promote linguistic duality and the provision of services in both official languages.

Who can apply?

Funding is targeted primarily at duly constituted Canadian non-profit organizations.

Individuals and governmental organizations are not eligible.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this funding vehicle.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-5696 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Enhancement of Official Languages Program

Promotion of Linguistic Duality Component

Support for Interpretation and Translation

Objective

This funding vehicle aims to assist organizations that encourage the participation of Canadians in both official languages at public events and to increase the number of documents available in both official languages.

Who can apply?

Funding is targeted primarily at Canadian non-profit organizations duly incorporated according to provincial, territorial, or federal laws.

Individuals, governmental organizations, universities, schools, school boards, hospitals, and foreign institutions and organizations are not eligible.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this funding vehicle.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-5696 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Second-Language Learning Component

Cooperation with the Non-Governmental Sector

Objective

This sub-component aims to increase the production and dissemination of knowledge, methods, and tools to support teaching of a second language.

Who can apply?

Canadian non-profit organizations, professional associations and post-secondary institutions.

Individuals and governmental organizations are not eligible.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch **Canadian Heritage**

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-5696 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/lo-ol/progs/index_e.cfm

Second-Language Learning Component

Explore—Second Language Summer Program

Objective

This bursary program enables young Canadians to improve their second official language through a five-week summer immersion course in an accredited postsecondary institution.

The program is administered by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC) in cooperation with the Department of Education or the department responsible for post-secondary education in provinces and territories.

Who can apply?

Information on how to have access to bursaries is available on the Web site below or by calling the CMEC toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below or call the toll-free line for information on the application deadline.

For more information

The Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC)

Toll-free: 1 877 866-4242 Web site: www.myexplore.ca

Second-Language Learning Component

Intergovernmental Cooperation

Objective

This sub-component aims to help provincial and territorial governments, directly or through the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC), offer young Canadians activities enabling them to learn English and French as second official languages.

Who can apply?

Provincial and territorial governments and the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the Web site below for the schedule of this sub-component.

For more information

Official Languages Support Programs Branch Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street 15-7-J Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 994-2222 Fax: (819) 953-6580

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/lo-ol/progs/index_e.cfm

Second-Language Learning Component

Odyssey - Full-Time Language Assistant Program Accent — Part-Time Language Assistant Program

Objective

These programs enable post-secondary youth to work with teachers in primary, secondary, and post-secondary institutions to enrich French or English secondlanguage courses and to support the teaching of the second language.

The programs are administered by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC) in cooperation with the Department of Education or the department responsible for post-secondary education in provinces and territories.

Who can apply?

Information on how to have access to assistant positions is available on the appropriate Web site or by calling the CMEC toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to the appropriate Web site or call the toll-free line for information on the application deadlines.

For more information

The Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC)

1 877 866-4242 Toll-free:

Web sites: Odyssey: www.myodyssey.ca

Accent: www.myaccent.ca

Second-Language Learning Component

Young Canada Works in Both Official Languages Young Canada Works at Building Careers in English and French

Objective

These two components of the Youth Employment Strategy aim to advance the skills and hands-on experience of young participants while enabling them to learn and improve English or French as a second official language.

Who can apply?

Information on eligibility criteria to both components is available on the Web site below or by calling the Government of Canada's toll-free line.

When is the deadline?

Closing dates for employers are specified on the Web site below.

For more information

Toll-free: 1 800 935-5555

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/ycw-jct/html/welcome_e.htm



Sport

Athlete Assistance Program

Objective

The Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) contributes to the pursuit of excellence through its support for improved Canadian athlete performances at major international sporting events, enabling athletes to combine their sport and academic or working careers while training intensively in pursuit of worldclass performances. To this end, the program identifies and supports athletes already at or having the potential to be in the top sixteen in the world in their sport.

Who can apply?

The National Sport Organization (NSO) determines who may be eligible for nomination according to the Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) carding criteria. The NSO provides the eligible athlete with an AAP Application Form. The athlete completes the application form and submits it to the NSO. The NSO then nominates the athlete for AAP support and prepares a submission package for review by Sport Canada.

When is the deadline?

The NSO must prepare and forward the submission to Sport Canada at least three weeks before the end of the NSO carding cycle. Factors such as the timing of major events determine the timing of the carding cycle for each NSO. The timing of the carding cycle may vary from year to year.

For more information

Sport Canada Canadian Heritage 15 Eddy Street, 16th Floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel.: (819) 956-8027 Fax: (819) 956-8059

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/sc/prog/index_e.cfm

Hosting Program

Objective

The Hosting Program (HP) is a key instrument in the Government of Canada's overall approach to sport development in Canada and aims to enhance the development of sport excellence and the international profile of sport organizations by assisting sport organizations to host the Canada Games and international sport events in Canada. These events are expected to produce significant sport, economic, social and cultural legacies. The Program has four components: International Major Multi-Sport Games; International Single Sport Events; International Strategic Focus Events; and the Canada Games.

Who can apply?

Contributions are made to organizations that are incorporated as non-profit corporations under federal or provincial law for a specific bidding or hosting project, or National Sport Organizations and Multisport Service Organizations eligible according to the Sport Funding and Accountability Framework.

When are the deadlines?

For International Major Multisport Games:

Federal support must be sought before a bid is made to the International Federation

For International Single Sport and Strategic Focus Events:

- Requests up to \$50,000 are due minimum of six months prior to the event.
- Requests between \$50,000 \$250,000 are due minimum of one year prior to the event.
- Requests above \$250,000 are due minimum of two years prior to the event.

For Canada Games:

Financial request timelines are predetermined by the recurring nature of this event.

For more information

Sport Canada

Canadian Heritage

15 Eddy Street, 16th floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 956-8156 Fax: (819) 956-8083

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/sc/prog/index e.cfm

Sport Support Program

Objective

The Sport Support Program (SSP) is the primary funding vehicle for initiatives associated with the delivery of the Canadian Sport Policy. The SSP funding is aimed at developing athletes and coaches at the highest international levels; providing sound technically-based sport programming for all athletes; increasing the number of Canadians from all segments of society involved in sport, and advancing Canadian interests and values in Canada and abroad. This funding is provided to eligible organizations in support of programming that supports the goals of the Canadian Sport Policy.

Who can apply?

- National Sport Organizations eligible under the Sport Funding and Accountability Framework (SFAF);
- National Multisport Service Organizations and Canadian Sport Centres eligible under the Sport Funding and Accountability Framework (SFAF);
- Provincial/Territorial governments;
- Universities, colleges or other incorporated, not for profit institutions or organizations delivering programs or pilot projects relevant to the Canadian Sport Policy.

When is the deadline?

February and May for eligible organizations

For more information

Sport Canada Canadian Heritage 15 Eddy Street, 16th floor Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M5

Tel: (819) 956-9683 (819) 956-8006 Fax:

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/sc/prog/index_e.cfm



Youth

I. Canadian Studies Program

II. Exchanges Canada

Exchanges Canada creates opportunities for young Canadians to gain a better understanding of their country, to connect with one another and to gain a better appreciation of both the diversity and the shared aspects of life in Canada. Exchanges Canada also provides a single window to information on a wide range of exchanges available in Canada and abroad.

Exchanges Canada offers both two-way exchanges (Youth Exchanges Canada) and forums (Youth Forums Canada) for young Canadians between the ages of 12 and 25. Exchanges Canada works in partnership with several delivery organizations. Each organization establishes its own selection criteria and registration deadlines. A list of initiatives offered by these organizations is shown below.

Youth Exchanges Canada

- 4-H Youth Exchanges Canada
- SEVEC Youth Exchanges Canada
- Summer Work/Student Exchange
- YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada
- Youth Exchanges Canada Sports and Group Program

Youth Forums Canada

- Action Canada
- Encounters with Canada
- Forum for Young Canadians
- National Heritage Fairs The Historica Foundation of Canada
- Interchange on Canadian Studies
- National 4-H Citizenship Seminar
- National Student Commonwealth Forum
- National Students Debating Seminar

For more information

Exchanges Canada Canadian Heritage 12 York Street Ottawa, Ontario K1N 5S6

Tel.: 1 800 O Canada (1 800 622 6232)

1 877 297-5014 Fax: E-mail: exchanges@pch.gc.ca Web site: www.exchanges.gc.ca

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IV. Young Canada Works

I. Canadian Studies Program

Objectives

The Canadian Studies Program (CSP) encourages young Canadians to gain a better understanding of their country, its history, stories, people and systems of government. Specifically, the Program supports the development of learning materials and activities that contribute to increasing young Canadians' knowledge about Canada. To achieve this objective, the CSP increases the availability and accessibility of new quality learning materials and activities for use by educators and young Canadians; builds partnerships in the area of learning materials and activities on Canada through coordination of the federal government's efforts; and promotes the development of knowledge on current trends and public policy related to learning about Canada.

The program supports the development of a variety of learning materials and activities through a funding competition. Applicants for the funding competition may request up to 50% of the cost required for the research and development costs to develop a print, audio, audio-visual, new media or multimedia learning tool. Projects must meet the priority areas of the Funding Competition as well as the general eligibility criteria of the program.

Who can apply?

Legally incorporated Canadian voluntary organizations, non-governmental organizations and Canadian private-sector companies or organizations (e.g., Canadian film, computer software or print publishers); individual Canadian citizens and landed immigrants; and public and private schools, school boards and other educational institutions such as colleges and universities, when permitted by applicable laws.

When is the deadline?

Please consult the Canadian Studies Program Web site for more information.

N.B. Before you begin with your request for funds, we suggest you consult the Applicants' Guide. To obtain a copy, please contact us or download a copy of the Guide from the Canadian Studies Program Web site. We also encourage you to contact the Program and discuss your project with a program officer before you submit your request for funding.

For more information

The Canadian Studies Program Canadian Heritage

12 York Street, 12-2-A Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M5

Tel.: (613) 998-9030 Toll-free: 1 877 392-4243 (613) 998-9008 Fax: csp-pec@pch.gc.ca E-mail:

Web site: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pec-csp

II. Exchanges Canada

Youth Exchanges Canada

4-H Youth Exchanges Canada

Objective

To create group exchanges among youth across Canada during the summer months. Participants are provided the opportunity to experience another part of Canada and experience new cultures, languages, geography, and history.

Who can apply?

4-H members aged 12 to 17 (non-members will also be considered).

When is the deadline?

January 10.

For more information

Canadian 4-H Council 4-H Youth Exchanges Canada

Central Experimental Farm 930 Carling Avenue, Building 26 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0C6

Tel.: (613) 234-4448, ext. 24

Fax: (613) 234-1112

E-mail: jwasher@4-h-canada.ca Web site: www.4-h-canada.ca

SEVEC Youth Exchanges Canada

Objective

To offer young people from any province or territory the opportunity to exchange with youth elsewhere in the country. Exchanges can be designed around shared interests such as history, geography, the arts, environmental studies, or second-language learning.

Who can apply?

Teachers or group organizers of young Canadians aged 12 to 17.

When is the deadline?

Applications are accepted up to four months prior to the exchange.

For more information

The Society for Educational Visits and Exchanges in Canada (SEVEC) **SEVEC Youth Exchanges Canada**

201-57 Auriga Drive Nepean, Ontario K2E 8B2

Tel.: (613) 727-3832

Toll-free: 1 800 38 SEVEC (1 800 387-3832)

Fax: (613) 727-3831 E-mail: info@sevec.ca Web site: www.sevec.ca

Summer Work/Student Exchange

Objectives

This program provides an opportunity for participants to learn about and appreciate another culture and to improve their second-language skills via family and work immersion. It also provides students with an exceptional personal and learning experience while allowing them to acquire job experience.

Who can apply?

Young Canadians, aged 16 and 17, who are returning to school in September.

When is the deadline?

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

For more information

Summer Work/Student Exchange 2000 McGill College Avenue, Suite 252 Montreal, Quebec H3A 3H3

Tel.: (514) 849-5449 Toll-free: 1 877 843-6161 E-Mail: info@1617.ca

Web site: www.summer-work.com

YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada

Objective

To promote an understanding of and appreciation for Canada's diversity through youth exchanges. Priority is given to Aboriginal youth, youth from low-income households, youth from rural areas, or youth with a disability.

Who can apply?

Teachers or group organizers of young Canadians aged 12 to 17.

When is the deadline?

Applications are accepted up to five months prior to the exchange.

For more information

YMCA of Greater Toronto YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada 42 Charles Street East Toronto, Ontario M4Y 1T4

Toll-free: 1877 639-9987 Fax: (416) 413-1740

Web site: www.ymcatoronto.org

Youth Exchanges Canada Sports and Group Program

Objective

To foster friendship and better understanding between Canada's Francophone and Anglophone youth from many cultures, through cultural exchanges and the common interest they share in sports and other group activities.

Who can apply?

Young Canadians aged 12 to 17.

When is the deadline?

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

For more information

Canada Sports Friendship Exchanges Programs Youth Exchanges Canada Sports and Group Program 5555 Westminster, Suite 209 Montreal, Quebec H4W 2J2

Tel.: (514) 482-7108 Toll-free: 1 866 732-7337 Fax: (514) 482-1605 E-mail: info@csfep.com Web site: www.csfep.com

Youth Forums Canada

Action Canada

Objective

To identify and nurture future leaders for Canada while promoting the active participation of young Canadian leaders, from various disciplinary backgrounds, in the renewal of ideas and the building of our country. This initiative develops innovative and high-quality research on key public policy issues. It fosters the creation of leadership networks spanning the diversity of the country and the development of a renewed spirit of collaboration among the public, private, and voluntary/non-governmental organization sectors.

Who can apply?

Young Canadians under the age of 30.

When is the deadline?

January 27.

For more information

Action Canada

c/o Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue Simon Fraser University 580 West Hastings Street Vancouver, British Columbia V6B 5K3

(604) 268-7961 Tel.: Fax: (604) 268-7956 E-mail: actioncanada@sfu.ca Web site: www.actioncanada.ca

Encounters with Canada

Objective

To give youth from different backgrounds and regions the opportunity to meet, get to know one another, discover their country, and gain a better understanding of Canada's major institutions.

Who can apply?

Young Canadians aged 14 to 17.

When is the deadline?

Programs are offered from September to December and from January to May.

For more information

Encounters with Canada

1805 Gaspé Avenue Ottawa, Ontario K1K 0A4

Tel.: (613) 744-1290 Toll-free: 1800 361-0419 Fax: (613) 744-6204

E-mail: info@encounters-rencontres.ca Web site: www.encounters-rencontres.ca

Forum for Young Canadians

Objectives

To offer young Canadians the opportunity to gain a clear understanding of the processes of government in Canada. The initiative builds informal understanding between young Canadians of diverse views, regions, and backgrounds based on an interchange of ideas. It also provides a forum for these Canadians to express their views on Canada.

Who can apply?

Senior high school and CEGEP students aged 15 to 19.

When is the deadline?

November 15.

For more information

Forum for Young Canadians

81 Metcalfe Street, Suite 800 Ottawa, Ontario K1P 6K7

Tel.: (613) 233-4086 Fax: (613) 233-2351 E-mail: forum@forum.ca Web site: www.forum.ca

Interchange on Canadian Studies

Objective

To increase understanding, knowledge, and appreciation of Canada by bringing student delegates together from all parts of the country in a Canadian Studies forum to discuss issues important to Canada and its people.

Who can apply?

Young Canadians aged 16 to 19.

When is the deadline?

Typically January; however, exact dates vary from year to year based on locations and scheduled events.

For more information

Interchange on Canadian Studies

5410 Rocky Point Road Victoria, British Columbia V9C 4G9

Tel.: (705) 494-9595

E-mail: chachkowski@hotmail.com

Web site: www.ics.ca

National 4-H Citizenship Seminar

Objective

To offer young Canadians an opportunity to learn more about their country and its political processes and systems. It allows youth to share their opinions on issues of national importance, to practice their leadership skills, and to learn more about their roles and responsibilities as Canadian citizens.

Who can apply?

4-H members aged 16 to 20.

When is the deadline?

Typically at the beginning of January.

For more information

Canadian 4-H Council National 4-H Citizenship Seminar

Central Experimental Farm 930 Carling Avenue, Building 26 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0C6

Tel.: (613) 234-4448 Fax: (613) 234-1112

E-mail: cforrest@4-h-canada.ca Web site: www.4-h-canada.ca

National Heritage Fairs Program - The Historica Foundation of Canada

Objective

To provide opportunities for students to explore any aspect of Canadian heritage by creating a dynamic history project for public presentation.

Who can apply?

Students aged 10 to 15 who participated in a local or regional fair in May during the same calendar year.

When is the deadline?

Deadlines and eligibility depend on qualification in local and regional fairs.

For more information

Historica Foundation of Canada

60 Spadina Avenue Toronto, Ontario M5V 2H8

Tel.: (416) 506-1867 Toll-free: 1 800 567-1867 Fax: (416) 506-0300 E-mail: info@histori.ca Web site: www.histori.ca

National Student Commonwealth Forum

Objectives

To promote an understanding of the structure of the Commonwealth and the role of Canada and Canadians in its activities.

To promote understanding of global issues, such as development, human rights, environment, and cultural sensitivity, through the use of discussion groups, briefing sessions, and simulation games.

Who can apply?

High school students aged 15 to 19.

When is the deadline?

Typically February; however, exact dates vary from year to year based on location and scheduled events.

For more information

Royal Commonwealth Society — Ottawa Branch **National Student Commonwealth Forum**

P.O. Box 8023, Station T Ottawa, Ontario K1G 3H6

Tel.: (613) 830-2698 Fax: (613) 830-7124

E-mail: cgunning@sympatico.ca

Web site: www.rcs.ca

National Student Debating Seminar

Objectives

To promote cultural exchange opportunities for Canadian students by encouraging cooperation between schools and the host communities and by celebrating Canada's bilingual and multicultural character. The seminar fosters knowledgeable discussions on national issues such as development, environment, immigration, and cultural diversity through debates, exchanges, and simulation exercises. The various activities promote a deeper appreciation of Canada, its population, its resources, its potential and its future.

Who can apply?

Students aged 14 to 19.

When is the deadline?

Youth must qualify at the local, regional, and provincial levels, either in English, French, or bilingual debates, to participate in the national seminar. Deadlines depend on when local, regional and provincial debates take place.

For more information

Canadian Students Debating Federation

200 Lonsdale Road Toronto, Ontario M4V 1W6

(416) 488-1125 ext 8633 Tel.:

(416) 484-8611 Fax: E-mail: info@csdf-fcde.ca Web site: www.csdf-fcde.ca

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Objective

To contribute substantially to the personal, social, and professional development of its participants while promoting community service. The initiative offers a diversified experience fostering a better understanding of the Canadian reality.

Who can apply?

The Eligibility Criteria are:

- 1. Be 17 to 21 years of age when the program starts.
- 2. Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.
- 3. Have never participated in the Katimavik program.

When is the deadline?

Please refer to Katimavik's Web site for application deadlines.

For more information

Katimavik

Port of Montreal Building Wing 2, Suite 3010 Cité du Havre Montreal, Quebec H3C 3R5

Toll-free: 1 888 525-1503 Fax: (514) 868-0901 E-mail: info@katimavik.org Web site: www.katimavik.org

IV. Young Canada Works

Objective

To provide Canadian youth with summer work experiences and internships. As part of the Government of Canada's Youth Employment Strategy, and in partnership with employers from private, public, and non-profit organizations, Young Canada Works includes the following five components.

Student Summer Jobs

- Young Canada Works in Both Official Languages—Exploring career-related options by connecting English and French skills to the world of work.
- Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions—Learning and building skills that connect to career options in heritage.
- Young Canada Works for Aboriginal Urban Youth—Making a difference for the Aboriginal urban community by exploring career-related options and building work skills to make a difference in their urban communities.

Graduate Internships

- Young Canada Works at Building Careers in Heritage—The program helps develop career prospects for graduates through projects that help a heritage organization achieve its mandate, in Canada or abroad.
- Young Canada Works at Building Careers in English and in French-Participants boost their career prospects through projects abroad, involving media, communications, trade, heritage, and cultural services and products.

Who can apply?

To apply for any Young Canada Works program, you must be legally entitled to work in Canada and be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or have refugee status in Canada. In addition, you must be between 16 and 30 years of age at the start of your employment.

For more information

Toll-free: 1 800 935-5555

E-mail: yewcoordinator@pch.gc.ca Web site: www.youngcanadaworks.gc.ca

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