



2022 Cultural Funding Summary Report

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Introduction

The City of Ottawa values the contribution that local not-for-profit cultural organizations, professional artists and heritage workers make to our community, and it annually invests in arts, heritage, and culture through 17 Cultural funding and awards programs. These programs are managed by the Cultural funding support unit. All funds, except those administered through Purchase of service agreements, endowment funds, or honoraria, use a peer assessment model in the evaluation process, involving professionals who are active within their cultural communities.

This report outlines all the applicants who were awarded funding in 2022. In total, the City processed 571 submissions and provided over \$11.7 million in funding through 368 allocations through cultural funding programs.

The Cultural funding support unit continues to take concrete steps towards closing the gap on historical funding inequities. In collaboration with Indigenous and equity-seeking communities, we work towards removing barriers that have previously prevented priority groups from accessing funding. We are honoured to have the support of the Cultural Funding Support Unit's Equity and inclusion committee, which provides leadership and guidance in these efforts. The effects of this work can be seen across our programs. For example, the Equity and inclusion in the arts fund, which was revised by the Committee in 2020 and targets applicants from Indigenous and equity-seeking communities, is the fastest growing Cultural funding program the City offers. The program's funding envelope has grown from \$337,000 in 2020 to \$635,000 in 2022, and funds many first-time applicants.

2022 also marked the year when most of our programs were transitioned onto an online platform. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for embracing this change with patience and generosity.

Detailed information about our programs and processes can be found on the [City of Ottawa website](#) or by contacting infoculture@ottawa.ca.

Cultural Funding Support Unit Values

- The Cultural funding support unit assists independent, local, not-for-profit organizations, as well as professional artists and heritage professionals in the presentation of arts and heritage events and activities that reflect a broad representation of communities within Ottawa.
- The City of Ottawa supports cultural activity that is inclusive of Ottawa's diverse community, including people from a diversity of ancestries, abilities, ages, countries of origin, cultures, genders, incomes, languages, races and sexual orientations.
- The City of Ottawa encourages submissions from First Nations, Inuit and Métis people, IBPOC (Indigenous, black, people of colour), persons with disabilities and members of the 2SLGBTQIA communities.
- The City of Ottawa is built on unceded Anishinabe Algonquin Nation Territory. The Cultural funding support unit honours the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation as Host Nation.
- The Cultural Funding Support Unit is committed to supporting cultural activities that respond to the Calls to action of the Truth and reconciliation commission.
- The City of Ottawa recognizes both official languages as having the same rights, status and privileges, and therefore accepts applications in both English and French.

2022 Funding priorities

Following the peer-assessed evaluation of submitted proposals, the Cultural funding support unit will look at prioritizing applications from the following Indigenous and equity-seeking communities (list not in order of priority):

- Anishinabe Algonquin Nation
- First Nations
- Inuit
- Métis
- IBPOC (Indigenous, Black, People of Colour)
- People with visible and invisible disabilities
- Non-ambulatory persons
- D/deaf people
- Refugees / Immigrants / Newcomers
- 2SLGBTQIA
- People living in poverty
- Rural residents
- Francophones
- Seniors / Older adults
- Women+
- Youth

The City of Ottawa recognizes that people identify themselves in many ways. Terms used to self-identify are continually evolving. People can change their identities or the ways they want to identify over time. With this understanding, the Cultural funding support unit uses terms recommended by community members through various consultations.

Arts funding program

The objective of the Arts funding program is to spark and support the creation, production, presentation, exhibition, and dissemination of the literary, performing, visual, and media arts, as well as independent film and video.

Operating and project funding is made available to professional and amateur organizations, while individual funding is accessible to professional artists of all disciplines. Funding from this program addresses the need to support arts education, arts training, community-based artistic activities, and professional groups that develop local arts audiences and provide valuable arts programs and services.

Professional arts organizations

Arts events - Small festival

Jury members: Jordan David, Marilena Gaudio, Joel LeBlanc

Arts events - Small festival - Project

Recipient	Amount
Debaser	\$15,000
Digi60 Filmmakers' Festival Inc.	\$12,000
Ottawa Grassroots Festival	\$3,000
Qu'Art Ottawa	\$4,000
Riverbed Reading Series	\$4,500

Arts events - Small festival - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Cranium Arts Project	\$13,500

Arts events - Small festival - Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
House of PainT	\$68,000

Arts services and arts venues

Jury members: Rose-Ingrid Benjamin, Seth Gerry, Chantal Racine

Arts services and arts venues - Project

Recipient	Amount
Réseau Ontario des arts de la scène inc.	\$25,000
Théâtre Action	\$15,000

Arts services and arts venues - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Live Arts Community	\$18,000
TACTICS	\$24,000
The Gladstone Theatre	\$42,000

Arts training and arts education - Multidisciplinary

Jury members: Billyann Balay, Leslie McCurdy, Marie-Renée Vial

Arts training and arts education - Multidisciplinary - Project

Recipient	Amount
Canadian Centre for Gender & Sexual Diversity	\$15,000

Arts training and arts education - Multidisciplinary – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Gloucester Pottery School	\$80,000
Propeller Dance	\$70,000
School of the Photographic Arts: Ottawa	\$20,780
The Ottawa School of Theatre	\$55,000
The School of Dance	\$131,220

Arts training and arts education - Music

Jury members: Lucile Hildesheim, Nour Kaadan, Morgan-Paige Melbourne

Arts training and arts education - Music - Project

Recipient	Amount
Lotus Centre for Special Music Education	\$7,460

Arts training and arts education - Music - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
OrKidstra – Sistema Ottawa	\$89,464
Ottawa Children's Choir	\$24,500
Ottawa Regional Youth Choir	\$7,800
Ottawa Youth Orchestra Academy	\$29,776

Arts training and arts education - Music – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
JazzWorks	\$14,000

Dance

Jury members: Angie Cheng, Emmanuel Jouthe, Sridaya Srivatsan

Dance - Project

Recipient	Amount
Autumn Melody Collective	\$5,000

Dance – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Dance Directive	\$85,000
Tara Luz Danse	\$58,700

English theatre

Jury members: Islam Balbaa, Willow Cioppa, Alain Richer

English theatre - Project

Recipient	Amount
Burning Passions Theatre	\$6,595
Horseshoes & Hand Grenades Ontario Theatre Society	\$8,000

English theatre - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
A Company of Fools	\$76,000
Fresh Meat Festival	\$24,000
Skeleton Key Theatre	\$25,000

English theatre – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Odyssey Theatre	\$108,605
Rag and Bone Puppet Theatre	\$19,300
Theatre 4.669	\$32,000

Film and video

Jury members: Bridget Farr, Milada Koracova, Laurent Maurice Lafontant

Film and video - Project

Recipient	Amount
Mirror Mountain Film Festival	\$9,000
Ottawa Independent Film Festival	\$4,500

Film and video – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Digital Arts Resource Centre (DARC)	\$155,500

French theatre

Jury Members: Normand Dupont, Grégory-Yves Fénélon, Kariane Lachance

French theatre - Project

Recipient	Amount
2359 Productions	\$9,000

French theatre – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Compagnie Vox Théâtre	\$78,000
Créations in Vivo	\$65,000
Théâtre de la Vieille 17	\$115,000
Théâtre du Trillium	\$111,000
Théâtre Catapulte	\$102,000

Literary arts - English

Jury members: Claire Farley, Vern Martin-Ivie, Thea Yeatman

Literary arts - English - Project

Recipient	Amount
Bywords	\$3,000
The Society for Canadian Content in Speculative Arts and Literature	\$4,000
Urban Legends Poetry Collective	\$3,200

Literary arts - English - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Tree Reading Series	\$4,000

Literary arts - English – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
ARC Poetry Magazine	\$43,800
Ottawa Storytellers	\$26,000
VERSe Ottawa	\$20,000

Literary arts - French

Jury members: Myriam Caron Belzile, Maryse Cloutier, Frédéric Samy Passalet

Literary arts - French - Project

Recipient	Amount
Mosaïque Interculturelle	\$15,000

Literary arts - French - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Association des auteures et auteurs de l'Ontario français	\$65,000
Les Éditions David	\$55,000
Les Éditions L'Interligne	\$45,000

Music

Jury members: Andrew Adridge, Carson Becke, Natalie Watanabe

Music - Project

Recipient	Amount
Operottawa	\$9,000

Music - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Choral Society	\$36,000
Ottawa New Music Creators	\$8,500
Ottawa Symphony Orchestra	\$113,000

Music – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Bach Choir	\$24,145
Thirteen Strings Chamber Orchestra	\$50,000

Visual arts

Jury members: Brendan de Montigny, Manon Larin-Picard, Geneviève Wallen

Visual arts - Project

Recipient	Amount
Studio Space Ottawa	\$7,500

Visual arts - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Artengine	\$110,500
Le Centre d'artistes Voix Visuelle	\$36,000

Visual arts – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Galerie SAW Gallery	\$137,500
Gallery 101	\$100,000

Professional artists

Dance

Jury members: Angie Cheng, Djimon, Emmanuel Jouthe

Dance - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Hong, Yeonji	\$5,500
Kyle Fenton, Cathy	\$5,500
Punthambekar, Samyuktha	\$5,500
Winkelaar, Elizabeth	\$5,500

Dance - Individual B

Recipient	Amount
Alvaro, Erik	\$4,000
Lovell, Vanessa	\$4,000

English theatre

Jury members: Islam Balbaa, Willow Cioppa, Alain Richer

English theatre - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Conn, Sarah	\$5,500
Fernandes, Maryse	\$5,500
Jaimet, Kate	\$5,500
Watt Villegas, Kristina	\$5,500

Film and video

Jury members: Nicole Bedford, Bridget Farr, Milada Koracova

Film and video - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Abdulkadir, Warsame	\$5,500
Hassanzadehzargari, Amirmahdi	\$5,500
Jean, Fitch	\$5,500
Lafrance, Jessica	\$5,500
Toth, Nevenka Redzic	\$5,500

Film and video - Individual B

Recipient	Amount
Hascalovitz, Chen	\$4,000
Osman, Hersi	\$4,000

Literary arts - English

Jury members: Manahil Bandukwala, Sarah Raughley, Donna Sharkey

Literary arts - English - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Fejzic, Sanita	\$5,500
Larochette, Nathanaël	\$5,500
Latta, Ruth	\$5,500
Massey, Karen	\$5,500
McNair, Christine	\$5,500
Proulx, Joanne	\$5,500
Sabaye Moghaddam, Maria	\$5,500
Zeitoun, Mary-Louise	\$5,500

Literary arts - English - Individual B

Recipient	Amount
Garcia, Rebecca	\$4,000
Julien "Von Allan", Eric	\$4,000

Literary arts - French

Jury members: Myriam Caron Belzile, Maryse Cloutier, Frédéric Samy Passalet

Literary arts - French - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Groleau Landry, Daniel	\$5,500

Vallée, Danièle	\$5,500
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Music

Jury members: John Kofi Dapaah, Quest, Renée Yoxon

Music - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Asselin, Brian	\$5,500
Basila-Mbomba, Christian "Zilla Manikongo"	\$5,500
Bénac, Michel	\$5,500
Ellias, Roddy	\$5,500
Evans, Kellylee	\$5,500
Frayne, Robert M	\$5,500
Geggie, John D.	\$5,500
Hall, Mikal "Yung Heat"	\$5,500
Hum, Peter	\$5,500
Joly, Marc-Antoine	\$5,500
Kinsley, Murray	\$5,500
Lévis, Céleste	\$5,500
McKiver, Beverley	\$5,500
St-Pierre, Kristine	\$5,500
Sturton, Catriona	\$5,500
Wellman, Linsey	\$5,500

Music - Individual B

Recipient	Amount
Abu-Nura, Hisham "Eeshii the Free"	\$4,000
Critchlow, Keegan "Freddy Printz"	\$4,000
Dussault, Julien	\$4,000
Thomas, Khalid "WLFKT"	\$4,000

Visual arts

Jury members: Andrew Fay, Marisa Gallemit, Mercedes Ventura

Visual arts - Individual A

Recipient	Amount
Barrucco, Angelina	\$5,500
Ciesluk, Karl	\$5,500
Conrod, Heidi	\$5,500
Göllner, Adrian	\$5,500
Kells, Gayle	\$5,500
Pagurek, Cheryl	\$5,500
Pantieras, Christos	\$5,500
Radjenovic, Bozica	\$5,500
Wainio, Carol	\$5,500

Visual arts - Individual B

Recipient	Amount
Boswell, Julea	\$4,000
Campbell, Andrea	\$4,000
Gutierrez, Claudia	\$4,000
Jones, Lee	\$4,000
Mailhot, Sara Anne	\$4,000
Schmitt, Christopher	\$4,000

Amateur arts organizations

This program supports community-based artistic activities that provide opportunities for local residents to participate in the arts. It is aimed at supporting performance, exhibition, collective art making, and other community-based arts activities and includes music, theatre, literary arts, dance, visual and media arts, film and video, and multidisciplinary events.

Amateur Arts - Multidisciplinary

Jury members: Maya Basudde, Geneviève Cloutier, Andrea Rowe

*Jury Members (Théâtre Tremplin): Normand Dupont, Grégory-Yves Fénélon, Kariane Lachance

Amateur multidisciplinary - Project

Recipient	Amount
CHUO 89.1 FM	\$10,000
Lost Baggage Musical Theatre	\$4,000

Amateur multidisciplinary - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Arteast	\$12,000
Ottawa Little Theatre	\$8,600
Théâtre Tremplin*	\$17,500
Youth Infringement Festival	\$18,000

Amateur multidisciplinary - Two year operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild	\$17,600

Amateur arts - Music

Jury members: Philippe Bourque, Renee London, Lisa Webber

Amateur music - Project

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Piano Festival	\$3,000

Amateur music - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
All Voices Community Choir	\$2,000
Coro Vivo Ottawa	\$9,000
Ewashko Singers	\$5,200
Strings of St. John's Chamber Orchestra	\$4,000

Amateur music – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Canadian Centennial Choir	\$8,300
Cantata Singers of Ottawa	\$20,300
Kiwanis Music Festival - National Capital Region	\$45,000
Oto-Wa Taiko Group	\$5,600
Tone Cluster	\$9,600

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund

The Equity and inclusion in the arts fund (formerly the Diversity in the arts fund) aims to reduce barriers and advance artistic expression within Indigenous and equity-seeking communities by providing opportunities for self-expression, capacity building, visibility, and celebration. This program was revised in 2021, as per the recommendation of the Cultural Funding Support Unit's Equity and inclusion committee, to offer clearer objectives, easier access to municipal funds and assessment criteria, and application questions that are more reflective of Indigenous and equity-seeking applicants.

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Project – English

Jury Members: Justin Holness, Amen Jafri, Cara Tierny

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Project – Organization - English

Recipient	Amount
Africa Live Canada	\$20,000
African, Caribbean & Black Wellness Resource Centre	\$20,000
Al-Arz Lebanese Art Group	\$15,000
Capital Rainbow Refuge - Refuge Arc-en-ciel de la capitale	\$8,100
Caribbean Nations Canada Organization	\$12,000
Equal Chance	\$20,000
Flo's Seniors Health and Care Programs Network Inc.	\$19,000
Jaku Konbit	\$10,000
Lost Baggage Musical Theatre	\$11,250
One Flock Community Centre	\$20,000
PNL Dance Co.	\$4,400

Qu'Art Ottawa	\$20,000
Shokoofeh Iranian Association of Ottawa	\$19,200
Social Planning Council of Ottawa	\$11,000
The Great India Festival	\$9,000
World Multicultural Festival	\$15,000

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Project - Individual - English

Recipient	Amount
Cho, Linda	\$13,075
Edegbe, Iyore	\$15,000
Etienne, Claude	\$12,000
Gallemit, Marisa	\$16,000
Pierre, Anthony Isaac "Lonely Boy"	\$16,285
King, Alanis	\$10,600
Lau, William	\$5,000
Leclerc, David	\$8,000
Maayteh, Nardin	\$10,600
Miwa, Matt	\$5,390
Mukunzi, Stéphane	\$14,000
Reis, Ludmylla Mar dos	\$12,000
Ryan, Lola	\$3,000
Sunstrum, Naledi	\$6,100

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Project - French

Jury members: Baka Diababu, Kadé Rémy, Cara Tierny

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Project – Organization - French

Recipient	Amount
Association Kunadia	\$9,000
Mosaïque Interculturelle	\$17,500

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Grow grant - Individual - French

Recipient	Amount
Basila-Mbomba, Christian "Zilla Manikongo"	\$8,000
Mazigh, Monia	\$5,500

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund – Annual operating

Jury members: Monica Chohan, Mark Duah, Gabriela Warrior-Renaud

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Aroha Fine Arts	\$25,000
Capital Pride / La fierté dans la capitale	\$60,000
Capital Ukrainian Festival	\$35,000
Multicultural Artists' Coalition	\$19,250

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund - Seed award - Spring

Jury members: Randy Kakegamick, Debbie Owusu-Akyeeah, Carmel Whittle

Seed Award – Spring - Individual

Recipient	Amount
Babij, Stephanie	\$2,000
El M'rabet, Mohamad "Mel"	\$2,000
Fahim, Ashique	\$2,000
Fejzic, Sanita	\$2,000
Garziz, Sinda	\$2,000
Gomez-Umana, Maria	\$2,000
Huggett, Jessie	\$2,000
Kanyenya, Marvin	\$1,800
Kwan, Edward	\$2,000
Kyadondo, Simon Peter	\$2,000
Laforme, Brenda	\$2,000
MacDonald, Kellie	\$2,000
Mukherjee, Stuti	\$1,800
Ramadan, Mukarram	\$2,000
Sarazin, Charlotte	\$2,000
Soleimanian, Parastou	\$2,000
Wells, Velvet	\$2,000
Yohannes, Eden	\$2,000

Equity and inclusion in the arts fund - Seed award – Fall

Jury members: Akeem Ouellet, Lola Ryan, Naomi Sarazin

Seed Award – Fall - Individual

Recipient	Amount
Bangoub, Anie F	\$2,000
Bayala, Geraldine	\$2,000
Cayer, Kathleen	\$2,000
Czujko, Justyna Anna	\$2,000
David, Jordan	\$2,000
Dusabe, Sandra	\$2,000
Francis, Angelique	\$2,000
LeBlanc, Genevieve	\$2,000
LeClair, Velvet	\$2,000
Maracle, Jacob	\$2,000
Njeukam, Chanceline	\$2,000
Nkouayi, Nicole	\$2,000
Oko-Oboh, Kenneth	\$1,500
Peplinskie, Kole	\$2,000
Porte, Artrude	\$2,000
Robichaud-Durand, Simon	\$2,000
Sirois, Laura	\$1,900
Tchamba, Laure	\$2,000

Vakily, Aishah	\$2,000
Vance, Eric	\$2,000

Equity and Inclusion Committee

In the fall of 2018, the Cultural funding support unit established its first Equity and inclusion committee following an open call for members. In 2022, the composition and the role of the Committee continued to evolve, but the goal and objectives remain the same: to bring together community members reflecting priority groups identified in the City of Ottawa's Equity and inclusion lens to provide insight into issues and barriers facing equity-seeking communities when accessing cultural funding programs, and to work collaboratively towards a more responsive and accessible funding format for all. The [7 recommendations](#) brought forward in 2019 by the Committee continues to guide this work.

Equity and inclusion committee

Equity and inclusion committee - Individual

Recipient	Amount
Balbaa, Islam	\$1,000
Binkowski, Chris	\$150
Cachero, Carmelle	\$1,000
Compton, Irene	\$1,000
Corey, Aedan	\$500
Kakegamick, Randy	\$1,000
Lubamba, Trésor	\$500
Nkerabigwi, Larissa	\$1,000
Ouattara, Ama	\$1,000
Owusu-Akyeeah, Debbie	\$500
Sarazin, Naomi	\$1,000
Shain, Alan	\$300

Smith Chabot, Mariah	\$500
Warrior Renaud, Gabriela	\$1,000

Arts service agreements

The Arts service agreement program is designed to address the needs of Ottawa's arts service organizations that assist the City in building and maintaining a solid infrastructure of arts services and facilities.

The services and activities of these organizations have a major impact on the development of the broader local arts community and contribute significantly to the overall growth of the cultural sector in Ottawa.

In 2022, operating funding agreements for these organizations were extended for one year due to City of Ottawa operational needs to stagger multi-year intakes and on-going uncertainties due to Covid-19. As a result, this was a reporting year and these organizations did not go to jury for assessment.

Arts service agreements

*La Nouvelle Scène Gilles Desjardins independent assessor: Caroline Ferland

Arts service agreement - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
La Nouvelle Scène Gilles Desjardins*	\$439,569

Arts service agreement – Multi-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Arts Network Ottawa	\$317,884
Great Canadian Theatre Company	\$439,424
MASC	\$121,950
Mouvement d'implication francophone d'Orléans (MIFO)	\$190,000
Ottawa Art Gallery	\$756,300

Ottawa Arts Council	\$212,845
Ottawa School of Art	\$392,195

Heritage funding program

The objectives of the Heritage funding program are to spark, support and promote activity in all heritage fields related to fostering awareness, education, preservation, and appreciation of the distinct local history and heritage of Ottawa and its communities.

Heritage funding program – Project - Indigenous

Jury members (Indigenous projects): Lynda Brown, Amberly Hein, Randy Kakegamick

Heritage funding program – Project – Organization - Indigenous

Recipient	Amount
Indigenous Arts Collective of Canada	\$12,000
ISARUIT Inuit Women's Sewing Centre in Ottawa	\$6,500
Minwaashin Lodge - Indigenous Women's Support Centre	\$10,500

Heritage funding program – Project – Individual - Indigenous

Recipient	Amount
Bignell, Elaine	\$5,000
Ratt, Monique	\$5,000
Stevens, Paul	\$3,000
Tenasco, Anita	\$10,000
Wawatie, Brigitte	\$8,000

Heritage funding program - Bilingual

Jury members (bilingual projects): Julie Leclair, Ama Ouattara, Marina Piza

Heritage funding program – Project – Organizations

Recipient	Amount
Black History Ottawa	\$5,000
Coopérative multiservices francophone de l'Ouest d'Ottawa (CMFO)	\$9,700
Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair Committee	\$3,000
Overbrook Community Association	\$6,000
Tumba-na-rumba	\$2,000

Heritage funding program – Project - Individual

Recipient	Amount
Hawi, Eliakim	\$7,000
Johnson, Lunette	\$7,000
Neogi, Dr. Prabir	\$5,000
Newall, Ashley	\$4,000

Heritage funding program - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Cumberland Township Historical Society	\$2,500
Gloucester Historical Society	\$4,800
Goulbourn Township Historical Society	\$3,000

Historical Society of Ottawa	\$4,000
Huntley Township Historical Society	\$6,000
Rideau Township Historical Society	\$8,000
Société franco-ontarienne du patrimoine et de l'histoire d'Orléans	\$58,000
Workers' History Museum	\$45,000

Museum service agreements

The Museum service agreement program supports community museums and provides them with the resources necessary to enhance capacity and improve research, programming, exhibits, publications, and visitor services in support of telling the Greater Ottawa stories.

Museum service agreement

Jury members: Jean-Marc Blais, Heather George, Karen Raittinen

Museum service agreement – Three-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Diefenbunker, Canada's Cold War Museum	\$306,016
Goulbourn Museum	\$218,000
Musée Bytown Museum	\$332,000
Muséoparc Vanier Museopark	\$269,984
Osgoode Township Rural Museum	\$171,000
Watson's Mill Manotick	\$225,000

Heritage service agreements

The Heritage service agreement program supports key local heritage service organizations that have a citywide mandate to provide a broad range of professional services such as networking, access to information, research, marketing, and education.

The City of Ottawa is built on unceded Anishinabe Algonquin territory and honours the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation as Host Nation. This program acknowledges the leadership role of the two Host Nation cultural centres, and supports these facilities to enhance their capacity, conduct research, and offer programming, exhibits, publications and visitor services in support of telling the Anishinabe Algonquin story.

2022 was a reporting year for organizations receiving multi-year operating funding, and therefore, they were not assessed in jury.

Heritage service agreement

Heritage service agreement – Two-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Omàmiwinini Pimàdjowin	\$42,864

Heritage service agreement – Three-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Capital Heritage Connexion	\$170,000
Heritage Ottawa	\$60,000
Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Pimadjiwogamig	\$43,000
Ottawa Museum Network	\$322,000

Major agricultural fairs program

The Major agricultural fairs program's objectives are to support major local agricultural fairs that attract audiences and celebrate the distinct rural nature of their communities through their operations, community engagement, and event activities.

Supporting these local fairs helps enhance the quality of life in Ottawa by providing opportunities for community participation, social interaction and cultural involvement while helping to build their capacity and increase their sustainability.

In 2022, operating funding agreements for these organizations were extended for one year due to City of Ottawa operational needs to stagger multi-year intakes and on-going uncertainties due to COVID-19. As a result, this was a reporting year and these organizations did not go to jury for assessment.

Agricultural Fairs

Agricultural fairs – Multi-year operating

Recipient	Amount
Carp Agricultural Society - Carp Fair	\$30,586
Cumberland Township Agricultural Society - Navan Fair	\$31,370
Metcalfe Agricultural Society - Metcalfe Fair	\$31,620
Richmond Agricultural Society - Richmond Fair	\$32,640

Major arts and cultural festivals program

Festivals enrich the lives of residents and visitors alike through the presentation of a wide variety of activities that increase understanding and appreciation of the unique character of our community. Festivals celebrate our cultural heritage and shine a spotlight on contemporary artists and art forms.

Arts festivals

Jury members: Ernest Benoit "Wise" Atangana, Davy-Anthony Sabourin, Sonia Sakamoto-Jog

Arts festivals - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
CityFolk Festival	\$88,000
Festival franco-ontarien	\$110,000
Music and Beyond	\$115,000
Ottawa Chamberfest	\$160,350
Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival	\$34,000
Ottawa Fringe Festival	\$95,000
Ottawa International Animation Festival	\$80,650
Ottawa International Children's Festival	\$100,000
Ottawa International Writers Festival	\$100,000
RBC Bluesfest	\$150,000
TD Ottawa Jazz Festival	\$160,000

Cultural festivals

Jury members: Davy-Anthony Sabourin, Sonia Sakamoto-Jog, Keith Whiteduck

Cultural festivals - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Italian Week Festival	\$12,160
Indigenous Experiences	\$128,340

Festival service agreement

The Festival service agreement program is designed to address the particular needs of local organizations that assist the City in building a solid infrastructure of services to cultural organizations.

The services and activities of Ottawa festivals have a major impact on the development of the broader local festival, fair, and special event communities, and contribute significantly to the overall growth and development of this sector in Ottawa.

In 2022, the operating funding agreement for this organization was extended for one year due to City of Ottawa operational needs to stagger multi-year intakes and on-going uncertainties due to Covid-19. As a result, this was a reporting year and this submission did not go to jury for assessment.

Festival service agreement

Festival service agreement - Annual operating

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Festivals	\$234,600

Cultural facilities fund

Cultural facilities fund (Major capital development projects)

The Cultural facilities fund (Major capital development projects) is designed to improve community-owned or leased cultural spaces and facilities across the city of Ottawa. This program provides not-for-profit cultural organizations with funds for major capital projects, i.e., renovation, construction, restoration projects or purchase of specialized equipment with costs exceeding \$60,000.

Eligible projects in the program include:

- pre-feasibility studies for new projects over \$60,000
- feasibility studies for more advanced projects costing more than \$200,000
- purchase of specialized equipment needed for programming
- renovation, restoration, or construction projects related to major capital assets

The Covid-19 pandemic highlighted the need for HVAC and other ventilation improvements to reduce airborne transmission of the virus in indoor spaces. With cultural venue recovery and re-opening in mind, the Fall 2021 deadline prioritized funding to local cultural organizations facing ventilation issues related to virus transmission in public programming spaces. This deadline also opened eligibility to include ventilation projects under \$60,000.

This program is managed by the Cultural development and initiatives unit of the Arts and heritage development branch.

Cultural facilities major - Spring

Jury members: Howard Adler, Annette Hegel, Paul Samborsky

Cultural facilities major - Spring

Recipient	Amount
Studio Space Ottawa	\$8,800
Indigenous Experiences	\$92,450

Cultural facilities major - Fall

Jury members: Nupur Chakravorty, Jim Mountain, Carole Anne Piccinin

Cultural facilities major - Fall - Project

Recipient	Amount
Bronson Centre Inc	\$3,360
Diefenbunker, Canada's Cold War Museum	\$40,320
Gallery 101	\$29,988
Goulbourn Museum	\$40,720.70
Ottawa Little Theatre	\$34,511.30

Cultural facilities fund (minor projects)

The Cultural facilities fund (minor projects) supports improvements to cultural facilities and venues in Ottawa by providing eligible cultural organizations support for minor capital renovation projects, restorations related to heritage sites, equipment purchases, or capital feasibility studies to a maximum of \$7,500.

Cultural facilities fund - Minor projects

Jury members: Phil Genest, Michael Kirton, Zoë MacNeil

Cultural facilities fund – Minor project

Recipient	Amount
A Company of Fools	\$6,400
Cumberland Township Agricultural Society - Navan Fair	\$6,000
Debaser	\$5,500
Les Éditions David	\$7,500
Odawa Native Friendship Centre	\$6,000

Osgoode Township Rural Museum	\$3,000
Ottawa Chamberfest	\$7,500
Ottawa Choral Society	\$7,500
Ottawa Fringe Festival	\$6,500
School of the Photographic Arts: Ottawa	\$7,500
Skeleton Key Theatre	\$1,500
Studio Space Ottawa	\$7,500
The School of Dance	\$2,600

Capacity building

The Capacity building fund supports Ottawa's cultural communities by funding activities that increase access and engagement in local culture and assist organizations in building strategic and/or organizational capacity.

Capacity building

Jury members: Misse Misse, Stephanie Nadeau, Ama Ouattara

Capacity building - Project

Recipient	Amount
Association des auteures et auteurs de l'Ontario français	\$12,000
Autumn Melody Collective	\$9,000
Debaser	\$9,500
Digi60 Filmmakers' Festival Inc.	\$7,500
Farmaish Media Communications Inc.	\$15,000
Hypatia's Voice Women's Choir	\$4,500
Les Éditions David	\$6,000
Mosaïque Interculturelle	\$7,500
Odyssey Showcase	\$15,000
Ottawa Arts Council	\$14,000
Ottawa Chamberfest	\$15,000
Ottawa Music Industry Coalition	\$15,000
Ottawa School of Art	\$1,386
School of the Photographic Arts: Ottawa	\$5,614

Youth in culture pilot program

The Youth in culture pilot program directly supports youth (aged 18–30) toward professional careers within the culture sector in Ottawa. It empowers youth to identify needs and gaps in their career development, and to support initiatives that lead to or benefit the applicant’s career in arts, heritage or culture. Designed, implemented and assessed with a ‘for youth by youth’ approach, this program continues to engage, develop and empower young local cultural workers and artists.

Youth in culture pilot program

Jury members: Theland Kicknosway, Emeka Morris Ogbowu, Mukarram Ramadan

Youth in culture pilot program - Individual

Recipient	Amount
Compton, Ben	\$1,000
de Castro, Alea	\$1,000
Edegbe, Iyore	\$1,000
Greene, Devante	\$1,000
Habib, Nat	\$1,000
Hein, Amberly	\$1,000
Mathieu, Trisha	\$1,000
Nevins, Jacob	\$1,000
Robquin, David	\$1,000
Ruiz Rodriguez, Angelica	\$1,000
Smith Chabot, Mariah	\$1,000
Smyck, Caity	\$1,000

Ottawa book awards and Prix du livre d'Ottawa

The Ottawa book awards and Les prix du livre d'Ottawa recognize published books of literary excellence written by local authors. Since 1985, these award programs have succeeded in shining a light on the local writing community and celebrating its accomplishments.

No award was given this year in the French non-fiction category due to the lack of nominations. Nominated books are considered for the following year's competition.

English

Ottawa book awards – English fiction

Jury members: Catherine Austen, Conyer Clayton, Faizal Deen

Ottawa book awards – English fiction

Recipient	Amount
O'Meara, David	\$7,500
Austin, Emily	\$1,000
Bourque, Jacqueline	\$1,000
Frutkin, Mark	\$1,000
Ng, Wayne	\$1,000

Ottawa book awards – English non-fiction

Jury members: Tim Cook, Amanda Jetté-Knox, Graeme Truelove

Ottawa book awards – English non-fiction

Recipient	Amount
Hampson, Fen Osler & Blanchfield, Mike	\$7,500
Greenfield, Nathan M.	\$1,000
Nemiroff, Diana	\$1,000

Ramin, Brodie	\$1,000
Wilson, Barry K.	\$1,000

French

Prix du livre – French fiction

Jury members: Guy Bélizaire, Aristote Kavungu, Danièle Vallée

Prix du livre – French fiction

Recipient	Amount
Vinet, Michèle	\$7,500
Kaye, Véronique-Marie	\$1,000
Mathieu, Éric	\$1,000
Ndala, Blaise	\$1,000

Karsh award

Ottawa City Council established the Karsh award in 2003 to honour the late photographers, Yousuf and Malak Karsh.

In 2018, the Karsh award was reviewed through a targeted community consultation. The award, which will be bestowed every four years, is to be presented to a mid-career/established local artist for their outstanding body of work and significant contribution to the artistic discipline in a photo/lens-based medium.

Over the subsequent three-year period, the laureate will be invited to hold an exhibition of their work at the Karsh-Masson gallery, mentor within the local artistic community and participate in the Karsh Continuum exhibition.

The next Karsh award laureate will be selected in 2023.

Rural arts initiative

The Rural arts initiative supports artistic activity in rural areas. Funding has resulted in increased arts programming in both French and English to rural residents, as well as rural arts residencies.

Rural arts initiative

Recipient	Amount
A Company of Fools	\$5,000
MASC	\$27,000

Rich Little endowment fund

The Rich Little endowment fund was designed to assist young performers in the continuation of pre-professional training in the performing arts (dance, theatre and music).

In 2022, four local arts training organizations with solid track records of providing pre-professional arts training to young adults were invited to act as third-party recommenders in a partnership approach to award funding.

Rich Little endowment fund for the performing arts

Recipient	Amount
Ensemble	\$600
Ottawa Regional Youth Choir	\$800
The School of Dance	\$900
Youth Infringement Festival	\$700

Firestone collection of Canadian art agreement

Originally established by Ottawa residents O.J. and Isobel Firestone in the early 1950s, the Firestone collection of Canadian art is a significant collection of works that spans the modern period (1900-1980). In 1972, the Firestone family donated their collection to the Ontario heritage foundation.

In 1992, the Foundation transferred ownership of this collection to the City of Ottawa with custodianship given to the Ottawa Art Gallery. The Ottawa Art Gallery receives funds through an agreement each year to care for, manage, and exhibit the City-owned Firestone collection of Canadian art.

Firestone collection of Canadian art agreement

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Art Gallery	\$100,321

Arts court theatre

The City of Ottawa's Arts court facility is operated in partnership with local arts organizations working together to provide artistic programs and services to the public. The arts court theatre is funded through a purchase of service agreement with a resident arts organization to manage, operate and promote activities in the Arts court black box theatre, studio, library, courtroom and ancillary spaces.

Arts court theatre

Recipient	Amount
Ottawa Fringe Festival	\$155,922

Ottawa poet laureate program

Launched in 2016-17, the new Ottawa poet laureate program appoints English and French poets laureate for two-year terms, to serve as artistic ambassadors of Ottawa at local, national, and international levels. VERSe Ottawa manages the program through a purchase of service agreement with the municipality.

In April 2021, the poets laureate for the 2021-2023 term were announced as: Albert Dumont (English) and Gilles Latour (French).

The Ottawa poet laureate program agreement is overseen by the Cultural development and initiatives unit, with funds administered through the Cultural Funding Support Unit.

Ottawa poet laureate program

Recipient	Amount
VERSe Ottawa	\$25,000