

Congratulations to our Toronto arts community

The Toronto Arts Foundation is turning up the spotlight by recognizing artistic excellence and celebrating Toronto's creative, business and civic leaders through its awards programs. Established in 1995, Toronto Arts Foundation has honoured many of Toronto's finest artists and arts organizations. Financial support of the annual Toronto Arts Foundation Awards is provided through a combination of legacies and annual donations from private and corporate donors. We congratulate all the finalists for their exceptional contribution to the arts and our city. Here are the recipients of the 2015 Awards:



The Remix Project

Arts for Youth Award Recipient
celebrating an outstanding commitment to engaging Toronto's youth by leveling the playing field for young people from disadvantaged, marginalized and underserved communities.

Supported by Martha Burns, Margaret and Jim Fleck, and Sandra and Jim Pitblado.



Emilie LeBel

Emerging Artist Award Recipient
celebrating her accomplishments and future potential as an emerging Canadian composer.

Supported by Susan Crocker and John Hunkin, and the Bulmash-Siegel Fund.



The Working Group

Toronto Arts & Business Award Recipient
celebrating their progressive role in their start-up experiment called LEANARTS, leading and mentoring 10 performing arts organization through the Lean Methodology.

Supported by Toronto Star and Business for the Arts.



Scott Miller-Berry

Margo Bindhardt & Rita Davies
Cultural Leadership Award Recipient
for demonstrating creative cultural leadership in the development of artist-run, community based and not for profit arts collectives and organization for 20 years.

Supported by John Dunlap.



Paul Read

Muriel Sherrin Award Recipient for International Achievement in Music
celebrating his outstanding international achievement as an educator, jazz pianist/composer.

Established in honour of Muriel Sherrin.



Justin Gray

Emerging Jazz Artist
celebrating his accomplishments and future potential as an emerging Jazz artist.

Supported by Cheryl & Manuel Buchwald.

TELUS® NEWCOMER ARTIST AWARD!

With the common goal to support and celebrate newcomer artists in Toronto, TELUS and the Foundation's Neighbourhood Arts Network are pleased to recognize a newcomer artist with a \$10,000 cash prize. This prize is specifically geared for an individual artist who is a newcomer to Canada (has lived in Canada between 1-7 years), a resident of the City of Toronto, and making a positive impact in their community through their artistic practice. The recipient will be announced on October 16.

For more information about how we are turning up the spotlight through our awards program.

Please visit our website at TorontoArtsFoundation.org/Awards.

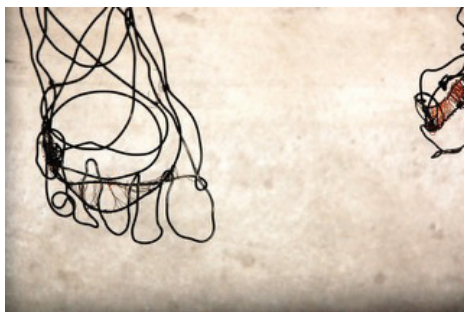
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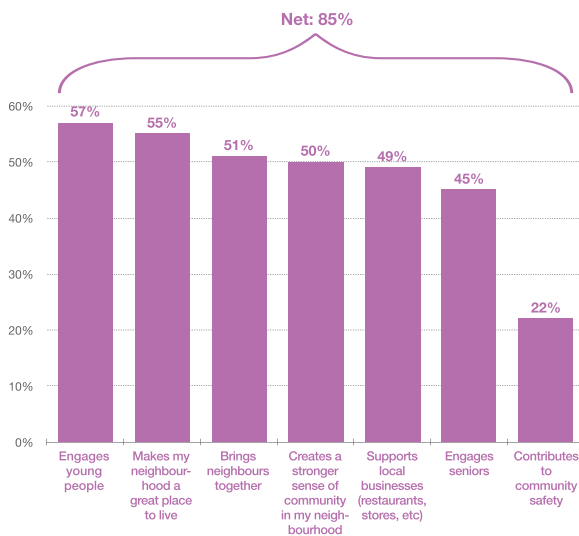
Award winning Toronto arts researcher and interdisciplinary artist Charmaine Lurch launches Conversations In Flux:

NORTH YORK ARTS Visible presence unfolding in time and space, at The Lower Gallery, Toronto Centre for the Arts in North York, for a six week engagement, starting on September 17, 2015.

Conversations in Flux consists of three multimedia, multidimensional sculpture and paint installations, used to animate evidence of a visible black presence in North American Landscapes. The objects, constructed with wire and paint, are bent and shaped into various forms depicting black populations inside and outside of hyper-visible and invisible states of blackness.



TORONTO ARTS STATS BENEFITS OF THE ARTS TO NEIGHBOURHOODS



NET: 85% of Torontonians see at least one benefit of the arts to their neighbourhood.

Toronto residents see significant benefits of the arts to the overall city but also highlight benefits to their own neighbourhood most notably engaging young people (57%), making their neighbourhood a great place to live (55%) as well as bringing neighbours together (51%).

Nearly one-quarter of Torontonians feel that the arts contributes to community safety (22%).

For more Arts Facts go to TorontoArtsFoundation.org/Featured/Arts-Survey

“My concern as a visual artist in the area of visibility requires that I examine how black subjects maneuver between the points of hyper-visibility and invisibility, to get from one point to the other, you have to move,” said Lurch. “Marking visibility and making art requires me to envision the black subject visible in time and space.”

Opening Reception:

September 17, 6 – 8:30pm

September 15 – October 9

Tuesday-Friday 1 – 4pm or by appointment

Toronto Centre for the Arts, Lower Gallery

5040 Yonge Street

North York Arts is designed to address the needs and interests of artists, arts organizations and residents. We are collaborating with North York City Councillors, Toronto’s Culture Division, Neighbourhood Arts Network, community stakeholders and businesses to foster arts programming and engagement in North York.

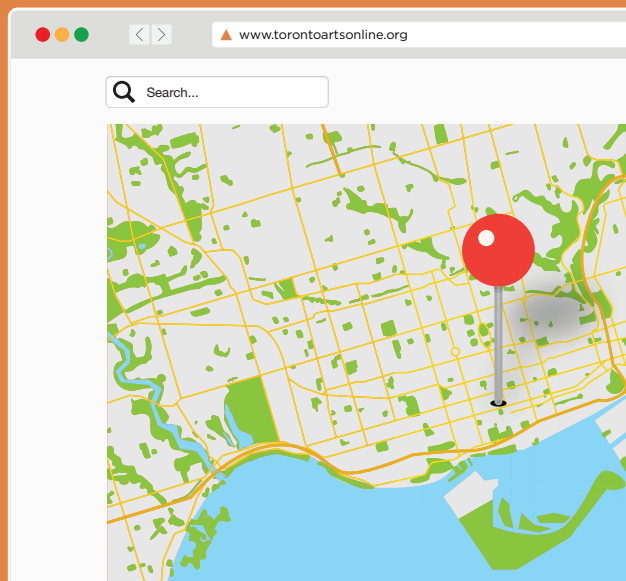
For more information visit NorthYorkArts.org.

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A free, easy way to search art events in your neighbourhood.

Connecting Communities to the Arts

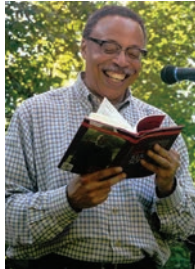
Discover what's happening in Toronto and the GTA. Use our arts and events listings to find festivals, concerts, openings, workshops, things to do on the weekend and more. Tailor your search to suit your creative interests!





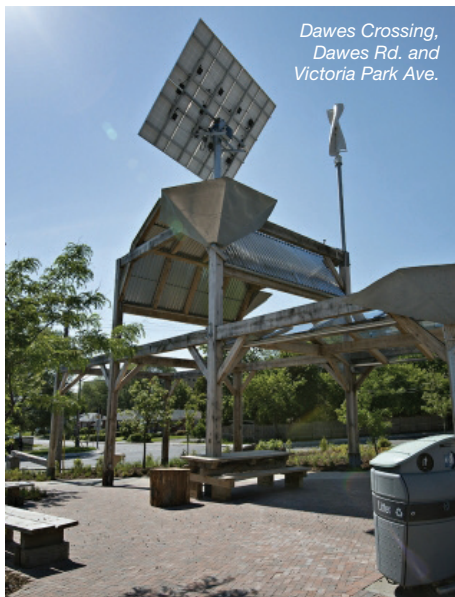
**EAST
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The 2015 East End Poetry Festival returns to the beautiful, outdoor amphitheatre at Children's Peace Theatre on Sunday, September 20 from 1-4pm. Enjoy an afternoon of superb poetry with City of Toronto Poet Laureate George Elliott Clarke, John Oughton, Cathy Petch, Jill Jorgenson and Patrick Walters. Featuring special guest Jermaine Henry, an all-ages interactive poetry workshop with Sidrah Maysoon Ahmad, and live music by the Emily Steinwall Trio. Fun for the whole family including children's activities and refreshments.

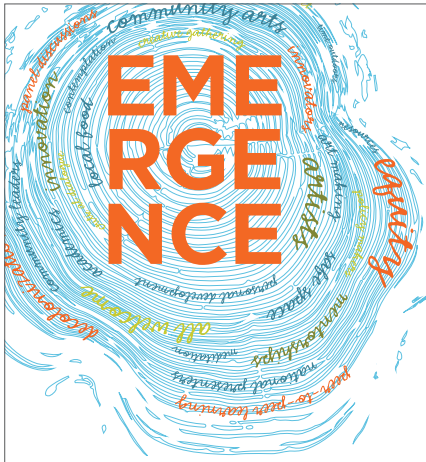


George Elliott Clarke

Acclaimed artist Sean Martindale is working with East End Arts to create a new mural for the east end. The Coxwell TTC Barns wall has been transformed through colour and creativity to embrace and engage passersby, and was designed with input from the community. "Transitions is a community mural that recognizes the changes this east end neighbourhood is in the process of undergoing, and the further transformations that are anticipated for the near future," said Martindale. "That the word 'Transit' can also be found in the longer 'Transitions,' is a playful nod to the fact that the mural wall is on TTC property and close to Coxwell Station." On a busy stretch of pedestrian, bike, car, and bus traffic, the new mural is sure to catch curious eyes and spark community conversations.



Dawes Crossing,
Dawes Rd. and
Victoria Park Ave.



ARTS & EQUITY: LEADING SOCIAL CHANGE

NOVEMBER 12-14, 2015

HOSTED BY
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emerging trends, community innovation and creative
leadership in the field of arts & equity.**

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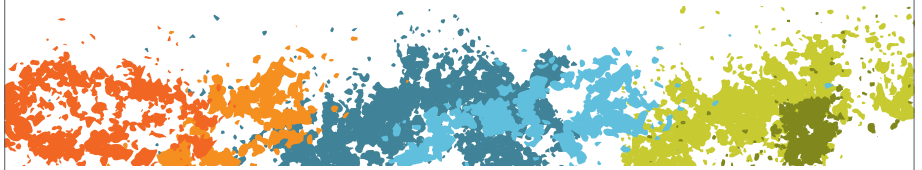
Location: Toronto

Evergreen Brick Works & Toronto Centre for the Arts

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2015 Emergence Symposium | Arts & Equity: Leading Social Change will convene 200 artists, cultural workers, community leaders, academics, youth and policy makers to explore important questions surrounding equity, diversity and inclusiveness. This facilitated three day conference experience that will create space for **critical dialogue, leadership development, creative self-reflection, mentorship and cross sector collaborations.**

For more information and registration, visit
neighbourhoodartsnetwork.org



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Celebrate native cultures from all over the world at a unique storytelling and music event by local artists at Dawes Crossing on Sunday, September 27 from 1-4:30pm. People From the Sky is part of the ongoing free community event series at Dawes Crossing, featuring storytellers Yusuke Tanaka, Rania El Mugammar, Unblind, Brian Walsh, Aaron Bell, and music by Kaminari (a.k.a. Yoshi and Chie).

East End Arts provides support to artists and art events, networks community and artistic interests and creates new arts programming for people of all ages and backgrounds. An initiative of the Foundation, the arts hub serves the east end of Toronto, specifically Wards 29, 30, 31 and 32, which has a catchment area defined to the north by the Don Valley, as far south as the Lakeshore, to the west side of Bayview Avenue and as far east as Victoria Park Avenue.

Visit EastEndArts.ca for more information

You're invited

THE MAYOR'S EVENING
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TORONTO ARTS
FOUNDATION

Mayor John Tory's leadership in generously lending the name of the Office of the Mayor to this event will help to raise over \$1 million to support the Toronto Arts Foundation and provide greater access to arts programs and resources in all areas of the City. We anticipate over 1,000 guests from Toronto's business, political and arts communities to be in attendance for this innovative, creative and spectacular event.

The proceeds of the evening will be directed to the Toronto Arts Foundation, which is uniquely focused on connecting every Toronto neighbourhood with the transformative social and economic impact of the Arts. Research demonstrates that our initiatives, such as Arts in the Parks – a new program that will be valuable for the public and artists alike, improve the quality of life across the city, and that cities flourish socially and economically, through access to the arts.

Please join us on **Monday, October 26, 2015**

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Constitution Hall

255 Front Street West, Toronto
Cocktails 6 p.m. | Dinner 7 p.m.

Auctions, Entertainment and Dancing
Black Tie Optional

To order tickets, tables and sponsorship call

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Thank you for your generous annual donations, for believing in our initiatives and the transformative social and economic benefits of the arts. The Toronto Arts Foundation is very grateful for your generosity and support.

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