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EMERGING ARTISTS

MAY 29 - JUNE 3, 2001 - FORT ST. JOHN, BC

The BC Festival of the Arts is

- Canada's premier multi-discipline arts festival for emerging artists
- hosted by a different BC community each year
- a public showcase for 800 emerging theatre artists, visual artists, writers, songwriters, dancers, musicians, filmmakers, storytellers and Indigenous artists
- a gathering of artists from diverse cultures and disciplines from across the province taking part in performance, exhibition, collaboration and training
- unforgettable...

Theatre Arts - NextStage

Up to 80 emerging theatre artists will explore the lighter side of theatre in *LaughLines* the BCFA comedy workshops led by inspired professional mentors. In *LearningLines*, up to four high school productions will receive adjudication and professional direction in preparation for public performance. Multiculturalism will be the focus of *BloodLines*, in which up to four emerging theatre companies will have the opportunity to professionally workshop their productions before public performance. Mark Breslin, Jay Ono, Roy Surette and Peter Hall are just some of the mentors for this year's NextStage.

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Visual Arts - Exhibition & Conference

Up to 100 visual artists will exhibit in the visual art exhibition *artWORK* showcasing up to 280 juried works of art. Artists and others are invited to participate in a conference entitled "Stretching the Canvas & Pushing the Envelope," focusing on approaches to artmaking within different media, and professionalism in the visual arts. Past conference facilitators have included Vince Klassen, Lou Lynn, Barb Marchand, Richard Prince, Joane Cardinal-Schubert, Gordon Smith, Weddi! Speck and Norman Yates.

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Literary Arts - otherwords

Up to 48 emerging writers will take part in four days of public readings, workshops, and one-on-one sessions with professional authors. Mentors include Bryna Barclay (fiction), Wayson Choy (fiction and personal memoir), Susan Musgrave (poetry), and Eugene Stickland (playwriting).

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Storytelling

New for 2001, up to 24 emerging storytellers will participate in an intensive three-day program of workshops, discussions, and performances under the guidance of two dynamic and highly accomplished professional storytellers, Rita Cox and Art Napoleen.

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Songwriters' Workshop

Up to 15 emerging songwriters will expand and enhance their skills in areas such as topic selection, song construction, melodic structure, performance and exploring career opportunities and music business issues. Workshop mentors are international recording artist, Mae Moore and Juno nominee and three-time East Coast Music Award winner Ron Hynes.

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Media Arts - Reel Motion I & II

Up to 40 delegates will participate in two streams. Both feature mentoring in industry based workshops, critiques, a new media symposium, screenings and Q & A's by award-winning Canadian filmmakers. *Reel Motion I* highlights intensive production workshops for emerging filmmakers/videographers. *Reel Motion II* focuses on professional development and master classes in directing.

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Deadline for receipt of submissions to all programs - March 23, 2001

Selected delegates will be invited to attend the 18th BC Festival of the Arts in Fort St. John, May 29 - June 3, 2001

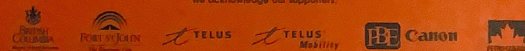
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