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## **Government supports seven arts projects through June Arts Fund**

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon has awarded \$93,120 to seven Yukon organizations for arts projects and events through the Arts Fund.

"Yukon community groups and arts organizations generate valuable opportunities for creative expression, learning, celebration and entertainment in the territory," Minister of Tourism and Culture Elaine Taylor said. "Through the Arts Fund, the Yukon government is proud to support a number of Yukon's favourite festivals and events, as well as new and original projects."

Fiddleheads Yukon received \$20,000 to develop and perform an original musical show entitled The Yukon Fiddle History of Transportation. The multimedia performance will celebrate the different ways people have travelled to and around Yukon over the past 150 years.

"Fiddleheads Yukon is excited to be an Arts Fund recipient," president Gisela Niedermeyer said. "The funding enables us to create our new musical show and also to deliver our program of concerts, barn dances and workshops in Yukon communities."

The Arts Fund supports group projects that foster the creative development of the arts in Yukon. It considers arts-related projects from non-profit societies, collectives, industry associations and other eligible groups who are considering undertaking an activity related to the literary, visual or performing arts.

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See backgrounder below for list of funding recipients.

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## **Backgrounder**

Arts Fund recipients – June 15, 2015 intake

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<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
Fiddleheads Yukon	Yukon Fiddle History of Transportation	\$20,000
Gwaandak Theatre Society	Vuntut Gwitchin Stories for Theatre - using Gwich'in language	\$20,000
Yukon Educational Theatre Society	AXIS community events	\$20,000
Yukon Circus Society	Dogtown	\$16,000
Jazz Yukon	2015 Jazz & Musicianship Development Intensive	\$7,120
Association franco-yukonnaise	Solstice St-Jean-Baptiste 2015 à Whitehorse et Dawson	\$5,000
Yukon Film Society with Nina Reed	Acting Voice Movement and Confidence Building for Carcross Youth	\$5,000
	<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$93,120</b>

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