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## **Touring Artist Fund supports theatre production, musicians and photographer**

WHITEHORSE—Applicants to the Touring Artist Fund's June intake are sharing almost \$27,000 in funding to help them take their work to audiences across the country.

"The Touring Artist Fund has been supporting local artists in gaining national and international exposure since 2008," Minister of Tourism and Culture Elaine Taylor said. "This fund is instrumental in building the careers of a wide range of Yukon artists including literary, visual and performing artists who are looking for opportunities to present their work professionally."

The Gwaandak Theatre Society used its funding to present Paradise – which includes the work of several professional Yukon artists – at the IMPACT biennial international theatre festival in Ontario from September 22 to 27.

"This vital support from the Touring Artist Fund allowed us to showcase our new production Paradise this fall in Kitchener, Ontario at the international IMPACT 15 festival – a truly unique intercultural platform for innovative theatre and an amazing chance to share Yukon performing arts with the world," Gwaandak general manager Marjolène Gauthier said.

There are four application intakes for the Touring Artist Fund each year.

Learn more: Touring Artist Fund

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See backgrounder below.

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<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
Gwaandak Theatre	Paradise Tour at IMPACT 15 Theatre	<b>\$10,000</b>

Society	Festival, Kitchener, Ontario.	
Diyet van Lieshout	Diyet: Saskatchewan Tour.	<b>\$5,743</b>
The Midnight Sons Band	Sunfest Music Festival, B.C.	<b>\$5,430</b>
Vision Quest - Nick Johnson and Yudii Mercredi	Vision Quest / Warrior Sun National Tour.	<b>\$4,000</b>
Marten Berkman	Remote Sensibility: the ecology of perception at International Symposium of Electronic Arts 2015, Vancouver.	<b>\$1,790</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$26,963</b>

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