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Yukon artists funded for tours in Canada and beyond

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is awarding more than \$54,000 to six local artists who will reach new audiences nationally and internationally through the Touring Artist Fund.

"The Yukon government recognizes the importance of showcasing Yukon's talented artists both at home and beyond our borders," Minister of Tourism and Culture Elaine Taylor said. "The Touring Artist Fund supports local artists' professional development while raising the profile of Yukon performing and creative arts on national and international stages."

The six artists are the successful recipients of the December 2014 application intake.

Suzanne Crocker is a Dawson-based filmmaker. She is the director, producer and cinematographer of *All the Time in the World*, an award-winning feature documentary about living in the remote Yukon wilderness. Crocker is receiving \$10,000 to showcase her documentary at eight film festivals.

"My film will offer festival-goers in Canada, the United States and South Africa a feature-length documentary of Yukon wilderness living and adventure," Crocker said. "Support from the Touring Artist Fund really makes it possible for me to attend the film festival circuit and to provide in-person media interviews."

The purpose of the Touring Artist Fund is to promote the growth and development of Yukon artists by supporting literary, visual and performing artists or ensembles and companies in presenting their work at national or international exhibitions, concerts, festivals, or showcases.

Each year there are four application intakes for the fund. The next application deadline is June 15.

Learn more:

Touring Artist Fund or call 867-667-8789.

See list of recipients below.

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Applicant	Project	Amount Funded
Suzanne Crocker	To tour the feature documentary <i>All the Time in the World</i> to eight film festivals in Canada, the U.S. and South Africa.	\$10,000
Sarah MacDougall	To perform at the National Arts Centre, CAPACOA, the Canada Games, and on tour as an opening act for The Once.	10,000
Dennis Shorty	To tour carving exhibitions, provide workshops, and give artist talks at the Shurniak Gallery in Assiniboia and the Illingworth Kerr Gallery in Calgary.	10,000
Gordie Tentrees	To perform at the Cobargo Folk Festival and tour other venues in Australia.	10,000
Brian Fidler	To tour the production of <i>Sci-Fi Double Feature</i> in Nelson, B.C.	7,275
Joanna Lilley	To give poetry readings from <i>The Fleece Era</i> in Edmonton, Yellowknife, and the UK; and to give fiction readings from <i>The Birthday Books</i> in Saskatchewan.	6,820
	Total:	\$54,095

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