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Lotteries Yukon commemorates 40th anniversary with art competition

WHITEHORSE—Lotteries Yukon is commemorating its 40th anniversary with a competition, open to all Yukoners, to create a piece of artwork that is a creative expression and interpretation of the positive impact of lotteries in Yukon.

Four to six art pieces will be selected for purchase and display by Lotteries Yukon. Selection will be made by a jury comprising members of the organization and representatives from the local arts community.

"During the last 40 years, the Yukon Lottery Commission has reinvested more than \$42 million into our communities for artistic, athletic and recreational endeavours," minister responsible for the Yukon Lottery Commission Brad Cathers said. "This supports Yukoners in the pursuit of their dreams."

Competition winners will be announced at a special event today at the Arts Up Front Festival.

"The arts in Yukon have flourished over the past 40 years through the creative efforts of gifted artists, effective arts organizations and appreciative audiences," chair of Yukon Lottery Commission Heather Campbell said. "It is fitting that the Commission wishes to use the power of art to celebrate."

Seven community events are being held across Yukon to mark the 40th anniversary of lotteries in Yukon. Local organizations in Dawson City, Faro, Carcross, Watson Lake and Whitehorse are hosting the events.

Learn more:

Visit Arts Up Front Festival

Visit Lotteries Yukon

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Lotteries Yukon celebrating 40 years reinvesting in art, sport and recreation

Across Yukon – July 16, 2014:

- Retailer Appreciation Day – 33 Lottery Ticket Centre Retailers across the territory are participating in the 40th anniversary celebrations.

In Whitehorse:

- Arts in the Park – special Lotteries Yukon announcement, LePage Park at 12:30 p.m. Event in partnership with Music Yukon.
- Arts Up Front – announcing art competition finalists, Wharf at Main and Front Street starting at 5 p.m. Event in partnership with Yukon Arts Society/Arts Underground.
- Youth skateboarding, music and art expo – Skateboard Park from 4 to 8 p.m. Contact Patti Balsillie for details at 334-2522.
- Carcross
- Community Pool Party and BBQ – Carcross Pool from 6 to 9 p.m. In partnership with Carcross Recreation Board. Contact Bev James for details at 821-3127.
- Watson Lake
- Community BBQ – Wye Lake Park from 5 to 7 p.m. In partnership with Watson Lake Recreation Centre. Contact Alyssa Magun for details at 536-8021.
- Dawson City
- Community BBQ lunch – Waterfront Picnic Shelter on Front Street from noon to 1 p.m. In partnership with Dawson City Recreation Board. Contact Lana Welchman for details at 993-7400, extension 299.

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In Faro

- Annual Faro Golf Tournament – tournament, dinner and awards. In partnership with the Faro Golf Club. Contact Lisa Snyder for details at 994-3199.

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