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Yukon's Touring Artist Fund supports audience appreciation

WHITEHORSE—Yukon's Touring Artist Fund will provide \$23,027 to nine Yukon artists representing the literary and visual arts.

"Artistic excellence is recognized and supported by the Government of Yukon," Tourism and Culture Minister Mike Nixon said. "Through the Touring Artist Fund, established artists are able to expand their reach to new audiences, sharing their own artistic expression with others and inspiring new audience appreciation."

Established visual artist Nicole Bauberger is receiving \$1,423 to travel to Alberta to present her series *Get There From Here* at the Art Gallery in St. Albert. The gallery exhibit consists of 183 paintings created during a road trip from Montreal to Whitehorse and then to Inuvik, N.W.T., and Fairbanks and Anchorage, Alaska.

"When I painted my road series, every 50 kilometres from Montreal to Fairbanks, I did so in the hope of showing the series to people living along its path," Bauberger said. "My artistic vision is not complete until the moment the viewers have the opportunity to see their own often-driven, familiar landscapes. I am grateful for the support through the Yukon government in helping to bring this dream to fruition. Hopefully the show will give Canadians a different way of imagining both the breadth and the connection of our country."

Applications for the Touring Artist Fund are accepted four times per year. The next intake deadline is September 15. Applications and guidelines are available at Tourism and Culture's Arts Funding and Awards website: www.tc.gov.yk.ca/arts_funding.

To speak with the fund administrator, call 867-667-8789 or toll-free 1-800-661-0408, extension 8789 or email artsfund@gov.yk.ca.

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See list of March recipients below.

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Touring Artist Fund

March 15, 2012 recipients

Applicant	Project	Amount Received
Clea Roberts	s Poetry readings and artist talks in B.C., Ontario and Nova Scotia	\$8,764
Elizabeth Kolb	Exhibitions, demonstrations and workshops of woven artwork in Manchester, England	6,000
Amy Tessard	o 2012 Sealaska Juried Art Show in Juneau, Alaska	1,825
Nicole Bauberger	A solo touring exhibition to the Art Gallery of St. Albert, Alberta	1,423
Calvin Morberg	2012 Sealaska Juried Art Show in Juneau, Alaska	1,015
Brian James Francis	To demonstrate stone and wood carving and give workshops at the 2012 Great Northern Arts Festival in Inuvik	1,000
George Roberts	To demonstrate knife work and give workshops at the 2012 Great Northern Arts Festival in Inuvik	1,000
Fred Stick Jr.	To demonstrate wood carving and drums and give workshops at the 2012 Great Northern Arts Festival in Inuvik	1,000
Twyla Wheeler	To demonstrate tufting and give workshops at the 2012 Great Northern Arts Festival in Inuvik	1,000
	TOTAL	\$23,027

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