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## **Commissioner launches new youth artist program**

WHITEHORSE—Commissioner of Yukon Doug Phillips will officially launch a new program to showcase youth artists this Saturday at the first annual Commissioner's Youth Showcase Christmas Concert.

"The Commissioner's Youth Showcase helps raise the profile of young artists through public performance and display opportunities," Phillips said. "I am happy to showcase talented young Yukoners as an important part of the commitment to youth that I chose to focus on during my term."

The Commissioner's Youth Showcase is a program designed to highlight Yukon artists under 19 by giving them an opportunity to perform or have their artwork displayed at commissioner's events throughout the year.

Artists who perform at an event will receive a framed certificate recognizing their achievement as well as either a gift certificate or donation. The artists are chosen twice a year, for winter and summer events, by an advisory panel.

"The Christmas concert is a great way to kick off the holiday season and enjoy some of the performers we have featured over the past two years at other events," Phillips added.

The Commissioner's Youth Showcase Christmas Concert is at the Old Fire Hall on December 1, from 6 to 9 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

For more information about the Youth Showcase, visit [www.gov.yk.ca/commissioner](http://www.gov.yk.ca/commissioner).

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