



Connect with performing artists for young audiences!

artstarts Showcase 2019

WHO

Teachers, school or district administrators and community presenters interested in booking **performances for young audiences** are invited to register for the annual ArtStarts Showcase.

WHAT

Experience **showcase performances** by talented professional artists from a wide range of artistic disciplines and cultural backgrounds available to perform in your school or community.

WHEN & WHERE

March 4-5, 2019 in Vancouver, BC

Register Now!

Deadline

Feb 15, 2019



“Showcase **exposes me to artists** that I may have never come across.”



“Showcase is necessary to **discover new mediums of creativity.**”



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Showcasing Artists

We are excited to share that **65%** of the artists are brand new to ArtStarts and the remaining **35%** are showcasing a new show!

Dance

Grupo America Dance Company
Just Us - Jo Jo Dancer & Erica Dee
Las Sombras Flamenco

Interdisciplinary

Heath Tarlin Entertainment Inc.
Epoch Youth Project

Music

Bushido
Fana Soro
Francis Arevalo
Ginalina West Coast Music
Krystle Dos Santos
Rhythm Resource
The Blues Berries
Tic Toc
Twin Kennedy
Zac Gauthier

Theatre

Hip Hop Hoop Dance
Stephanie Morin Robert
Vancouver TheatreSports League

Storytelling

Kellie Haines Ventriloquist
Shayna Jones

What's New

ArtStarts is actively working to **increase representation of equity-seeking artists in order to ensure that young people see themselves represented** in arts programming at school. This year, we prioritized the following equity-seeking groups during the Showcase application and selection process:

- Artists of colour, especially Indigenous and Black women
 - Artists who identify as LGBTQ2QIA*, especially LGBTQ2QIA artists of colour
- *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Two-Spirit, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, Asexual*
- Artists living with a visible or invisible disability, especially disabled artists of colour

We are committed to providing students with accessible arts-based experiences in their schools and consider an intentional representation of equity groups an important part of this commitment.

We believe the artists in this year's Showcase are reflected through this mandate and believe that you will be inspired by their multifaceted performances.