

We wish to respectfully acknowledge that the ArtStarts Showcase takes place on the unceded, ancestral, and traditional territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) and səliłwətaʔt̓ (Tsleil-Waututh) peoples.

What is the Indigenous history of the place where you live?



We thank Chief Janice George and Buddy Joseph for constructing the wonderful cedar branch archway and for welcoming us to these lands.

Skwetsimeltxw Willard ‘Buddy’ Joseph and *Chepximiya Siyam’* Janice George are accomplished weavers and teachers from the Squamish Nation. They have co-founded L’hen Awtxw Weaving House to share the teachings and practice of traditional Coast Salish wool weaving.

Chief Janice George graduated from Capilano University, North Vancouver BC, and the Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, N.M., USA. She feels her education at these schools helped her excel as a teacher, adding to her most important traditional teachings. She is a hereditary chief, trained museum curator and educator. George also co-organized the 1st Canada Northwest Coast Weavers Gathering, with other Squamish Nation Weavers. George and Joseph are from prominent Squamish families and have numerous ceremonial and cultural responsibilities in their community. Joseph is the former director of the Squamish Housing and Capital Projects and currently consults on capital projects for First Nations communities.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

65% of Showcase artists are brand new to ArtStarts and the remaining 35% are showcasing a new show.

	Monday, March 4	Tuesday, March 5
Morning	8am Registration Open	8am Registration Open
	8:45am Traditional Welcome	8:45am Welcome
	9:30am Hip Hop Hoop Dance Bushido	9:10am Tic Toc Heath Tarlin Entertainment Kellie Haines The Blues Berries
	10:25am Break	10:25am Break
	10:45am Krystle Dos Santos Grupo América Dance Company Rhythm Resource	10:45am Discussion
	11:45am Discussion with Ivan Coyote	
	12:05pm Lunch	11:45am Lunch
Afternoon	1pm Jojo Dancer & Erica Dee Vancouver TheatreSports Ginalina West Coast Music Fana Soro	12:35pm Zac Gauthier Shayna Jones Twin Kennedy Las Sombras Flamenco
	2:15pm Break	2:15pm Close
	2:35pm Francis Arevalo Stéphanie Morin-Robert Epoch Youth Project	
	3:30pm Discussion	
	4-5:30pm Contact Room	