

Discover the best performing artists for young audiences!

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Early Bird Rates
until Jan 15

artstarts Showcase 2017

WHO

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

WHAT

Watch **showcase performances** by talented professional artists from a wide range of artistic disciplines and cultural backgrounds available to perform in your school or community. The **Contact Room** offers another opportunity to personally meet many artists from ArtStarts' Artists on Tour Directory.

WHEN & WHERE

March 6–7, 2017 in Vancouver, BC

THIS YEAR'S THEME

What will the world be like in 20 years? How can young people prepare for careers that don't even exist yet? What can we do today to help our young people grow up to be the innovators, dreamers and leaders of the future? It all starts with imagining what's possible and asking, **what if...**

what if...



"Showcase exposes me to artists that I may have never come across."



"Showcase helps ignite and inspire me as a teacher and arts leader in my district."



ArtStarts gratefully acknowledges support for Showcase provided by BC Arts Council and the Government of BC, Canada Council for the Arts, the Department of Canadian Heritage and the City of Vancouver. Together we are building a bright, creative future for BC's young people.



New in 2017

Panel Discussion

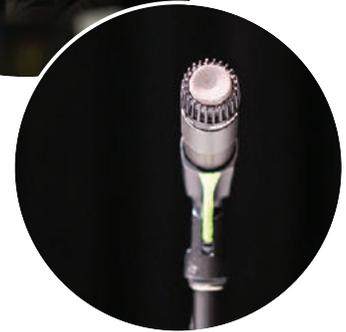
Monday, March 6

The future is creative. The future is in education.

In the next 20 years, what is the role of art in education? We've asked young people what art means to them and their learning when they think about the future.

This interactive panel discussion is designed to explore the ideas and questions that young people have and share exciting examples of what is already happening across the province. The panel will consist of an educator, an artist, a parent, and a policymaker.

Delegates will be invited to put on their "What if..." hats and dive into the discussion and exchange ideas to imagine the future of art in education.



Pitch and Perform

Tuesday, March 7

ArtStarts is excited to announce a pilot project where six new artists who did not get selected through the competitive Showcase adjudication process are given the opportunity for feedback and development. The six artists will be mentored in advance of the ArtStarts Showcase to help them prepare a short pitch of their school show to a room full of delegates for feedback. We look forward to exploring this new project with you!



Breakfast

Monday, March 6 at 8am

Tuesday, March 7 at 8am

Calling early birds, social butterflies and hungry bears! Kick off your Showcase experience by joining us for a delicious catered breakfast each morning.

We will be providing opportunities to connect and collaborate with fellow delegates from your region over breakfast on Tuesday morning.

Building Connections

Opening Reception in the Contact Room

Monday, March 6, 2017
4–6pm

The Contact Room is an opportunity for presenters to meet ArtStarts' Artists on Tour.

Participating artists will have table displays and be available to answer questions and share more details about their artistic practices and their touring performances for the 2017-18 school year.

A reception will also be in the Contact Room. Come join the fun and enjoy a delightful glass of wine, delicious canapés and prizes! This will be a wonderful opportunity to mingle with artists, peers and the ArtStarts team.



Closing Reception at the ArtStarts Gallery

Tuesday, March 7, 2017
4–6pm

Explore *Cause and Effect*, the new exhibition of young people's art in the ArtStarts Gallery, and help us celebrate a great two-day event at our closing reception.

Showcasing Artists

Dance

Goh Ballet Youth Company
Jacky Essombe
Tribal Vision Dance

Music

Blues Berries
Boris Sichon
Dumpsta Dragons
Gord Grdina
Metaphor
Mohamed Assani and John Oliver
Sm:)e Band
Speed Control
Uzume Taiko

Theatre

Axis Theatre Company
Green Thumb Theatre
Heath Tarlin Entertainment
Monster Theatre
Shameless Hussy Productions
Vancouver TheatreSports® League

Interdisciplinary

Devon More Music
Flyin' Bob
Gerard Laroche
Helene Nicole
Sand Northrup
Unity Charity

Storytelling

3 Crows Productions
Jamie Oliverio
Jeff Leard
We Are Storyfolk



What does the ArtStarts Showcase mean to you?

"I always leave **feeling inspired.** I love connecting with like-minded colleagues from around the province."



"Ensuring that there are high quality performance arts groups available to provide enrichment opportunities for students is absolutely **vital to the health of our education system.**"

"It is incredible to have the opportunity to **see and meet the performing artists.**"



"Showcase is a meeting of community arts advocates, which is very important for my understanding and our district's **focus on culture, creativity and education.**"

"It is wonderful to have a structure that allows the **connection between artists and school district representatives** to enhance arts understandings in the school."



"Showcase helps me feel **connected to the greater arts community.**"



"Showcase is a perfect opportunity to discover diverse performers and allows us to cater to the **individual needs of schools and community.**"

Plan Your Trip

Venue

The ArtStarts Showcase takes place at the **Orpheum Annex**, located at 823 Seymour Street in Vancouver, BC.

Hotel Accommodation

ArtStarts has secured rooms and rates at two centrally located hotels.

Rosedale on Robson Suite Hotel

838 Hamilton Street (at Robson), Vancouver
rosedaleonrobson.com

Book by February 2, 2017 to receive the rate of \$119/night + taxes for a one-bedroom suite.

To book, call 1-800-661-8870 and quote promo code "Showcase" to receive the special rate.

Metropolitan Hotel Vancouver

645 Howe Street (at West Georgia), Vancouver
metropolitan.com/vanc

Book by February 3, 2017 to receive the rate of \$135/night + taxes for a deluxe room or \$155/night for a luxury room.

To book, call 1-800-667-2300 or email reservations@van.metropolitan.com and quote the group affiliation "ArtStarts in Schools" to receive the special rate.

Questions?

For more information, visit artstarts.com/showcase or contact Nargis Dhirani at delegates@artstarts.com or 604-336-0626 ext 102.

Key Dates

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Deadline for early bird rates

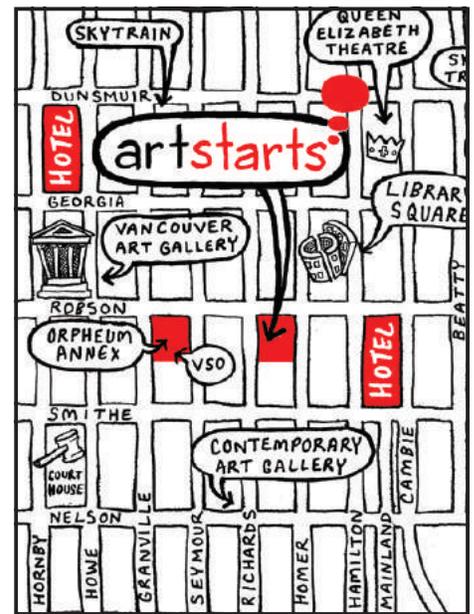
Friday, February 17, 2017

Deadline to register to attend

Monday, March 6 and

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

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Monday, March 6

- Breakfast, Lunch, Coffee Breaks
- Showcases
- Panel Discussion
- Contact Room
- Opening Reception

Tuesday, March 7

- Breakfast, Lunch, Coffee Breaks
- Showcases
(including Francophone artists and Secondary School artists)
- Pitch and Perform
- Closing Reception at ArtStarts Gallery

- Two Days**
- **\$325** + GST (Early Bird Rate until January 15, 2017)
 - **\$375** + GST (After January 15, 2017)

- One Day**
- **\$200** + GST



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Online
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Please Note

- **Early Bird** pricing is available until January 15, 2017.
- **Registration closes** February 17, 2017.
- **Cancellation Policy:** All cancellations or changes made prior to February 10, 2017 will be subject to a \$50 administrative fee. After February 10, 2017, no refunds will be given.
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