

# MANITOBA ARTS NETWORK

MANITOBA ASSOCIATION OF  
COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCILS INC.

"Fostering arts and culture in rural and  
northern Manitoba"

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## Purpose

Our mandate is to foster arts and culture in rural and northern communities. The purpose of the provincial network is to enrich community life throughout Manitoba with opportunities for individuals to experience and participate in arts and cultural activities.

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## Membership

The members of the Manitoba Arts Network are community arts organizations and arts councils who provide arts programming and arts education in their community.

## MEMBER QUOTES

**"The touring exhibitions through Manitoba Arts Network bring artwork to our community that would otherwise not be seen by our populous." Virden Community Arts Council**

**"We have tried different types of artists over the last 5 years. Our 2006/07 season concerts had full houses." Prairie Vision Arts Council**

**"Contact Showcase has been a fantastic resource as well as a great networking opportunity. Bravo!" Souris District Arts Council**

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## Programs and Services

Our programs and services are designed to develop arts and cultural activity in rural and remote communities.

### PROGRAMS

- Performing Arts Program
- Visual Arts Program
- Special Events

### SERVICES

- Community arts advocacy
- Community arts resource
- Professional Development
- Showcases – Performing Arts and Visual Arts
- Block booked tours of performances
- Touring Visual Arts exhibitions
- Community Presenters Directory
- Performing Arts Touring Directory
- Visual Artist Directory
- Rural & Northern Art Show in Winnipeg
- Coordinate Manitoba Arts & Culture Week

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## COMMUNITY ARTS ORGANIZATIONS BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

### SUPPORT OF A NETWORK

- As a member of a provincial network, you add to its strength when interests of rural and northern arts organizations need to be represented.
- Benefit from shared experiences of other members, via knowledgeable provincial network staff, on issues or concerns specific to arts programming in your community.
- Opportunity to be informed and participate in provincial initiatives such as Manitoba Arts & Culture Week.

### REPRESENTATION

- As a full member, you are eligible to nominate your regional representative to the board of the Manitoba Arts Network, and to provide input and vote on decisions affecting the direction and vision of the provincial network association.

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- Opportunity to network with arts organizations from across Manitoba, exchange ideas and participate in annual general meeting functions;
- Workshops, professional development seminars, showcases and guest speakers planned with the needs of the non-urban arts community in mind.
- Receive subsidy for travel expenses to attend.

### MARKETING AND PROMOTION

- Members are included in the Manitoba Arts Network Website and Directories.
- Manitoba Arts Network is promoted through its annual sponsorship of the “Best Cultural

& Arts Reporting” Award by the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association.

- The value and work of our member organizations are promoted in our meetings with government agencies and funders.

### NEWSLETTER AND NEWS NETWORK

- Receive Manitoba Arts Network regular news updates with information on new resources, programs, and projects that may be of benefit to your organization and members.
- Submit announcements to be included in news updates.
- Be included in the Manitoba Arts Network website listing.

### VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM

- Access to exhibitions at reduced member prices.
- Priority access (members are given first opportunity to book, and special efforts are made to accommodate members);
- Opportunity to be a member of the Visual Arts program committee, and to participate in selection of exhibitions to be mounted and toured.
- Travel subsidy provided to attend meetings.
- Access to resources for your local community artists.

### PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM

- Coordinator services for members
- Arrangements of block booked tours at a reduced fee for members.
- Negotiation of performance fees and dates
- Assistance with performer travel information

- Resource for promotional information on performers
- Source of information on other presenter programs
- Only members benefit from tour sponsorships obtained by the network.
- All members are welcome to participate in Community Presenter meetings
- Touring and Presenter Directories are available at special rates plus shipping for –
  - Touring Directory
  - Presenter Directory
- Opportunity to participate in Touring Program committees to give direction to the program and help to build strong touring networks in Manitoba.
- Travel subsidy provided to attend meetings.

### Member Arts Organizations' Programs

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| <i>Concerts</i>         | <i>Classes</i>     |
| <i>Workshops</i>        | <i>Exhibitions</i> |
| <i>Music</i>            | <i>Theatre</i>     |
| <i>Creative Writing</i> | <i>Dance</i>       |
| <i>Photography</i>      | <i>Film shows</i>  |
| <i>Painting</i>         | <i>Needlepoint</i> |
| <i>Scholarships</i>     | <i>Pottery</i>     |
| <i>Woodcarving</i>      | <i>Mentorships</i> |
| <i>Drawing</i>          | <i>Quilting</i>    |