



Manitoba Arts Network Benefits to Members

1. 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.

2. REPRESENTATION

- As a 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.

3. ANNUAL SHOWCASE 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.
- Connect directly with artists and performers from across Canada and gain direct knowledge of who to book for your community.

4. MARKETING AND PROMOTION

- Members are included in all Manitoba Arts Network promotional materials such as brochures & sponsor packages.
- Members are promoted in our 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

5. EMAIL UPDATES AND NEWS NETWORK

- Receive Manitoba Arts Network regular email 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.

6. VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM

- Access to exhibitions at member prices - \$375 per month for members vs \$475 for non-members. (Members may book extended showings @ \$300 for each additional month.)
- 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 organization and for your local community artists.

7. PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM

- Coordinator services for members
 - Arrangements of block booked tours at a reduced fee for members. (Southern members pay 5% of performer fees vs 7.5% for non-members. Northern members pay an annual Northern Fee of \$100 vs 7.5% for non-member for each block booking tour.)
 - 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
- 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.