

## Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Media Programs

### Program Name

### Resource Provider

Emergency Financial Assistance to Canada's Entertainment Industry due to COVID-19

The AFC

**Description** Short-term emergency financial assistance to Canadian entertainment professionals.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

COVID-19 Financial Assistance for the Music Industry

Unison

**Description** In response to COVID-19, Unison works to provide support to professional musicians. A payment of \$1,000 may be made to qualified applicants to help meet basic living needs. Other sources of financial relief applicants may receive do not affect eligibility for Unison assistance.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

#CanadaPerforms Concert Streaming Opportunity

National Arts Centre

**Description** The National Arts Centre and Facebook Canada have teamed up to launch #CanadaPerforms streaming concerts. Canadian performing artists (including musicians, comedians, dancers, singers, theatre artists, and ensembles of less than 10 people) can apply by email.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

MusicTogether

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**Description** A living room concert series to pay artists in need. MusicTogether supports working Ontario musicians during the COVID-19 crisis with direct funding, new opportunities for fan discovery, and eCommerce tools.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

Ontario Live

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**Description** A virtual marketplace that brings Ontario together to help support local artists, operators, attractions and businesses throughout the province. Coming soon, you'll be able to buy, donate to, or experience the best Ontario has to offer all in one place.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

**Emergency Survival Fund for LGBTQ2S Artists, Performers, Tip-Based Workers and Glad Day** Glad Day Lit

**Description** Administered by Glad Day Bookshop in Toronto, this fund will help cover emergency aid and paid work for LGBTQ2S artists, performers and tip-based workers.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

**Basic Needs Grant**

Behind the Scenes Foundation

**Description** Grants to entertainment technology professionals in emergency situations due to serious illness, injury or death. Grants may be used for medical care and basic living expenses including rent, mortgage, utilities, transportation and childcare.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

**Canadian Artist and Musician Relief Fund**

CAMRF

**Description** The fund will support low-income artists, musicians and cultural producers from all backgrounds whose livelihoods are being impacted by COVID-19.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

**COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Cultural, Heritage and Sport Organizations**

Canadian Heritage

**Description** The COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Cultural, Heritage and Sport Organizations will be a \$500 million fund to help address the financial needs of affected organizations within these sectors so they can continue to support artists

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and athletes. This measure is consistent with the Government of Canada's other existing COVID-19 support measures for wages and fixed costs for organizations. Beginning May 8th, partner organizations will be contacted so that funds can begin to flow to cultural and sport organizations. Canadian Heritage is working closely with its partners – in particular, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Canada Media Fund, FACTOR, Musicaction, and Telefilm Canada – to distribute the funds as quickly as possible using existing channels. UPDATE: As part of Phase 2 of the disbursement of funds, to address gaps that have been identified by industry, additional funding will be directed to other organizations - some of which do not normally receive funding from Canadian Heritage, the Canada Council for the Arts, Telefilm Canada or the Canada Media Fund.

**Website** [Learn More](#)

**Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) Part 1 Licence Fee Waive**

Government of Canada

**Description** The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) will not issue letters requesting payment for Part I licence fees by broadcasters for the 2020–21 fiscal year. This fee will be paid by the Government of Canada.

**Website** [Learn More](#)