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Central Cariboo Arts and Culture Grants Awarded

Williams Lake, BC – The Cariboo Regional District, City of Williams Lake and Central Cariboo Arts and Culture Society (CCACS) are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2023 Spring CCACS Grants Program. Grants are available twice annually for non-profit organizations or community groups in Williams Lake and the Central Cariboo (CRD Areas D, E, and F) to support and develop arts and culture within the region.

The Cariboo Regional District and the City of Williams Lake provide funding for these grants through the <u>Central Cariboo Arts and Culture function</u>. A total of \$20,000 in funding is available for both 2023's Spring and Fall intakes, with \$13,675 being recently awarded in this spring intake. More information on CCACS funding programs can be found at <u>centralcaribooarts.com</u>.

2023 Spring Intake CCACS Grant Recipients:

- Arts of the Fly Festival Society (Arts of the Fly Festival), \$3,000
- Cariboo Chilcotin Metis Society (9th Annual Metis Jamboree), \$1,500
- Cariboo Gold Dance Band (Workshop and Concert), \$1,500
- Community Arts Council of WL (Storytelling, Making & Song Event), \$1,500
- Downtown Williams Lake (Art Walk Kick-Off Event), \$1,000
- Scout Island Nature Centre with Streets for All WL (Film Screening of The Engine Inside for Go By Bike Week), \$515
- Station House Gallery (Gallery Hanging System and Exhibition Display), \$1,700
- Williams Lake Farmers Market (Artist Entertainment at Markets), \$1,500
- Williams Lake Film Club (Film Screening and Special Guest Event), \$1,460

Quotes:

"The Cariboo Regional District is always pleased to participate in supporting grants from the Central Cariboo Arts and Culture Society, a key organization that continues to enable talented Central Cariboo artists to represent our diverse and interesting array of arts and culture in the area" notes Steve Forseth, CRD Electoral Area "D" Director.

"The City of Williams Lake is excited to support these worthwhile non-profit groups that help make our community so vibrant and inclusive," said Councillor Michael Moses. "I would like to thank our valued local groups for their dedication to promoting and celebrating arts and culture. From musical performances and art projects to film screenings and Indigenous events, we are looking forward to these upcoming opportunities, and we appreciate the passion that goes into making these projects and events a reality."

"Our Committee has seen another outstanding intake filled with terrific ideas and projects for our community," said CCACS Executive Director Melissa Normandin "We are lucky to have so many community groups and organizations with the creativity, the capacity, and love of arts and culture willing to add to the richness of our region."

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