

PRESS RELEASE

Five Projects Chosen for the Edmundston Regional Arts Funding Program

(*Edmundston, March 8, 2010*) – Five projects were chosen for funding under the Edmundston Regional Arts Funding Program. Proposals submitted by local artists **Éveline Gallant Fournier** (Délvie poétique & le bestiaire imaginaire, \$7500.00), **Christian Michaud** (Nymphéas, \$7200.00), **Vicky Lentz** (Life Cycle/Cycle du Vie, \$12,378.00), **Hélène A. Daigle** (Ma ville autrement, \$15,000.00), and **Guylaine Dufour** (La verrière à 4 temps, \$17,960.00) will bring a wide range of arts to members of the greater Edmundston community.

In collaboration with partners, the New Brunswick Arts Board (NBAB) launched the New Brunswick Regional Arts Funding Program in Edmundston in 2007. This pilot project is intended to increase the sources of revenue available to professional artists and artists' collectives in the Edmundston region and to encourage creative projects that will reinforce partnerships and cooperative action in the community, by enabling professional artists at all levels of their career to make a recognized contribution, increase their visibility, and develop their particular talents.

The funding agreement will see the New Brunswick Arts Board, the Department of Wellness, Culture and Sport, Enterprise Madawaska and the City of Edmundston contribute to the Regional Arts Funding Program. The New Brunswick Regional Arts Funding agreement is part of the NBAB's orientation towards a greater democratization of culture, and a confirmation of the New Brunswick Arts Board's commitment to recognize regional differences.

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