

Fredericton Arts Plan

Update and Next Steps

Presented to:

Livable Community Committee

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Fredericton

Outline

- Purpose and Approach
- Preliminary Engagement
- Process Overview and Next Steps
- Questions



Purpose and Approach

- City's first Culture Plan adopted in 2014
- Growing and Diversifying City
- Expanding and Changing Arts & Cultural Sector
- Time for a Renewed Vision and Framework
- New Plan to be completed in 12-18 months



Purpose and Approach

Creative Arts Focus:

Led By:

- Steering Committee
 - Arts & Cultural Advisory Cttee Reps
 - Arts sector
 - Citizens
 - Key Staff
- Project Manager
- Cultural Development Officer
- Working Group (RTC Department Staff)
- Technical Review/Advisory Cttee (Other Staff subject matter experts)

Informed By:

- Background Review
- Jurisdictional Scan
- Consultation and Engagement to include:
 - Mayor and Council/Council Committees
 - Arts & Cultural Advisory Committee
 - Public
 - Arts Sector
 - Key Community and Industry Interest Holders



Purpose and Approach

A New Arts Plan Will Consider:

Fredericton As a Creative Community

- New accessible and affordable opportunities for residents and visitors to engage in creative pursuits.

Foster place-making – Improving Connections with Where We Live

- Municipal Role in public art and creative sector collaboration.

Further Strengthen and Support Local Creative Sector/Industries

- Funding structure review, facilities assessment, identify synergies.

Role and Potential of Arts as an Economic Driver (and Tourism draw)

- Identify creative sector growth potential and supportive policies/strategies.

Partnerships and Collaboration

- Building and Strengthening.



Preliminary Engagement

Ideas Sessions – Public Open Houses

February 4th

1-3pm and 5:30-7:30pm

Chickadee Room

Fredericton Public Library

- Learn more about the Arts Plan.
- Provide initial ideas to guide the City's growth as a creative community.
- Identify opportunities for creativity to thrive and be supported in our community.



Preliminary Engagement

Pop-Up Engagement

January 31st

7am – 1pm

Boyce Farmers Market



February 1st

1-3pm

FROSTival Family Skate
Officers' Square

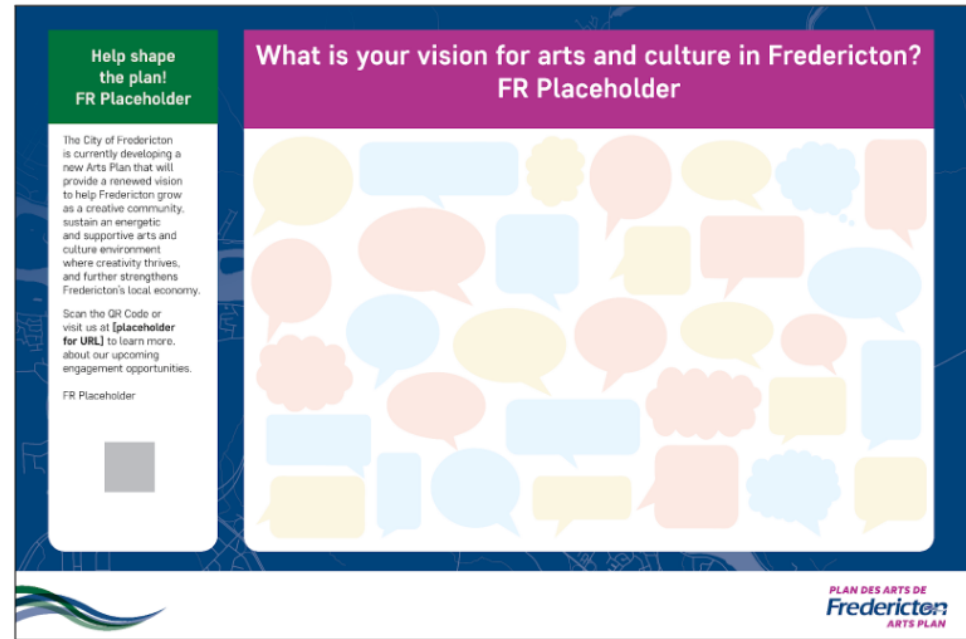


Preliminary Engagement

Tell us your vision for arts and culture in Fredericton!

**Sounding Boards will be available
January 22 – February 8th at
the following locations:**

- Charlotte Street Arts Centre
- Fredericton Playhouse
- Beaverbrook Art Gallery
- Fredericton Public Libraries
- Unity Community Centre



Preliminary Engagement

- Engage Fredericton Project Page
- City Council Lunch and Learn
- Arts & Culture Advisory Committee – Ideas Session
- Interdepartmental Workshop – Senior Leadership



Process Overview and Next Steps

Preliminary Engagement

January – February 2026

Technical Background Report

November 2025 – June 2026

Comprehensive Consultation and Engagement

July – October 2026

- Public and Interest Holders

Synthesis and Analysis

November 2026 – January 2027

Final Report Development

February – May 2027



Process Overview and Next Steps

There will be **MANY** opportunities to be engaged and help shape the future Arts Plan!

Follow  to stay informed and learn more.

QUESTIONS?

