



THE ST. ANDREWS ARTS COUNCIL

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ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The St. Andrews Arts Council, established in 1983 in partnership with the New Brunswick Community College/St. Andrews, is dedicated to enriching New Brunswick communities and providing educational and performance opportunities for local, national and international students of all ages and abilities by promoting and encouraging the creation, performance and appreciation of the arts through innovative, multi-disciplinary programs.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

SUMMER SCHOOL FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Summer School offers performing arts courses, master classes and workshops in **Opera, Voice, Choir, Drama, Dance, and Instrumental Music** for students of all ages from beginner to professional.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL (www.NEWBEMF.com)

This month long Festival held in June offers a unique musical experience focusing on combining college-level academic classes for credit through Millikin University (Decatur, IL) and non-credit workshops and courses through the St. Andrews Arts Council with pre-professional performing opportunities and significant community involvement with some of the best early music teachers and performers from Canada, the US and New Zealand.

INTERNATIONAL PIANO ACADEMY AND FESTIVAL

St. Andrews International Academy and Festival is devoted to creating an exciting musical environment by bringing in world-class musicians to perform and share their expertise. It offers in-depth and personalized musical experiences and educational opportunities for aspiring young artists as well as general music lovers. The *Young Artist Program* is selective, and open to conservatory-level pianists. Young Artist Program participants are eligible for the St. Andrews International Piano Concerto Competition. If you are passionate about music making, and seek to sharpen your performance skills, you may participate as an *Active Observer*. You have the opportunity to be instructed by faculty members and to attend all master classes, recitals, and special arts workshops. If you are interested in music, and want to expand your artistic horizon, you may participate as a *General Observer* which is open to all regardless of age, profession or musical background. You will have the opportunity to observe closely how professional musicians form and present their artistic ideas in the music-making process.

INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL STUDIES PROGRAM (IGS)

The International Global Studies Program (IGS) established in 2006 in collaboration with Millikin University, Decatur, Illinois, offers for-college-credit immersion courses in the arts, sciences and education through University residencies in St. Andrews. The St. Andrews Arts Council works with each institutional partner to facilitate and coordinate program support services, facilities, adjunct professors, performance venues, accommodations and recreational activities. Students may audit courses through the St. Andrews Arts Council or enroll for college credit through participating Universities.

PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS

EMERGING ARTIST COMPETITIONS

St. Andrews International Aria Competition open to singers 20-30.

St. Andrews International Piano Competition open for all ages and held in conjunction with the International Piano Academy and Festival program.

St. Andrews International Pas de Deux Competition open to dancers 14 and above.

Winners perform with the St. Andrews Chamber Orchestra at Gala Festival Concert, held annually in August in St. Andrews, NB Canada. Past competition winners include Measha Brüggergosman (Canada), Mai Washio (Japan), Eric Jurenas, (USA), Julien Le Blanc (Canada), Hando Nahkur (Estonia) and Hanbo Ma (China).

ST. ANDREWS ARTS COUNCIL PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

Performing Arts series runs from May through September with an array of recitals, concerts and theatrical productions providing performance opportunities for Master Class students, faculty and guest artists and those participating in the New Brunswick Early Music Festival, The International Piano Academy and Festival, The Whale of a Tale Theatre Festival, and the Sanctuary Recital Series,.

THE SANCTUARY RECITAL SERIES

A collaborative effort between the St. Andrews Arts Council and St. Andrews churches where the Arts Council has placed its grand pianos. Showcases the talents of regional and visiting performing artists in recitals and concerts.

BETWEEN THE TIDES EXPERIMENT

The SAAC/Ministers Island partnership is called the *Between the Tides Experiment* in view of the rather unique situation offered by the island including its tidal access, array of historic buildings, and the potential for both traditional and non-traditional performance spaces throughout 500 acres. The Island is also used to program experimental and avant-garde performing arts programming including collaborations by IGS program university participants and involving cross-discipline projects with students and faculty focusing on cutting edge performance art and education.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

The Arts Council believes that all children should have access to the exciting world of the performing arts and be able to experience the joys of exploring their own creativity. *Kids Up Front!* provides free family passes to Charlotte County children and their families to experience the wonder of seeing and hearing live classical music at Festival of the Performing Arts events. The *Performing Arts Road Show* takes free performing arts programming directly to students in District 10 school classrooms during the school year and to their day camps or day care centers in the summer months. *Bursary and Internships* provide financial aid and employment for students to enroll or assist in Summer School and IGS courses and workshops.

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

New Brunswick Community College/St. Andrews Campus, Sir James Dunn Academy, New Brunswick Early Music Festival (NewBEMF), Millikin University(Decatur, IL), Washington County Community College, ME, Kingsbrae Garden, Sunbury Shores Arts & Nature Centre, Passamaquoddy Children's Centre, Van Horne Estate on Ministers Island, Wesley United Church, All Saints Anglican Church, Catholic Church of St. Andrew.