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2010 Artist-in-Residence - Call for Proposals

Cambridge, Ontario. October 15, 2009...Local artists have an opportunity to submit a proposal to be part of the 2010 Artist-in-Residence (AIR) program. The deadline is Friday, November 6th, 2009.

The Cambridge Centre for the Arts and surrounding area artists, as well as artists whose work is relevant to the Cambridge area, are invited to submit a proposal in all disciplines, including visual art, drama, literary, music, dance and multi-media arts.

"The purpose of the Artist-In-Residence Program is to provide professional artists with an opportunity to involve and engage the community in the artistic and creative processes of their art," says Reg Weber, Director of Community Recreation Services.

The length of residency is flexible and is based on programs of approximately 400 hours in duration over the course of the year.

It's about creating a lasting impact or legacy for the participants in the project such as developing new understandings of creative processes, strengthening community connections, cultivating new audiences or an artwork remaining in the Cambridge community," says Sophie McCann, Coordinator of the program.

There are a number of unique benefits for an artist to be part of the AIR program including:

- Continued development of the artist's work and C.V.
- Six months of free studio time (based on availability)
- Regular interaction with the arts community
- High-visibility with the general public
- Program administration and development of marketing materials
- \$3,000 allocated for program expenses (as approved by the City of Cambridge) plus use of meeting/program rooms, computer, internet, fax, voicemail, photocopying services and clerical assistance
- A \$3,500 honorarium

Funded by the City of Cambridge and the Cambridge Arts Guild, the program is administered by the Cambridge Centre for the Arts. For more information and details on how to apply, consult the proposal guidelines and criteria at www.cambridgecentreforthearts.ca

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