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Manitoba Arts Council Office Officially Opens in Brandon

Brandon, MB – The Manitoba Arts Council (MAC) has officially opened the doors to new office space within the Cultural Resource Centre at the City of Brandon’s A.R. McDiarmid Civic Complex, an expansion which will provide better access and service to the arts and cultural community of the southwestern Manitoba region.

The MAC office in Brandon, which can be accessed via the east entrance of the A.R. McDiarmid Civic Complex at 638 Princess Avenue, will be a place where the arts community can meet with MAC consultants to explore the resources, support, and programs available to them. It also facilitates MAC’s outreach into the southwestern Manitoba region and provides services and programming directly into the community, keeping in the spirit of the Council’s vision, which includes “a province with a creative spirit brought about by arts at the heart of community life.”

“Having a Brandon centre gives us the opportunity to build stronger relationships with the community and the region, while providing resources and opportunities for one-on-one discussions and meetings with artists and arts organizations in the community,” said Douglas Riske, Executive Director of the Manitoba Arts Council (MAC). “We’re pleased to partner with the City of Brandon in such a unique way.”

“The City of Brandon’s Community Development Department is working hard to ensure that the Cultural Resource Centre is a space that ultimately respects and reflects all the different pieces of our community which come together to form its cultural fabric,” added Esther Bryan, Manager of Community Development with the City of Brandon.

Hours of operation of the MAC office at the Cultural Resource Centre will be 1 p.m. to to 4:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month and then 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the following Friday. More information is available by calling 1-866-994-2787, extension 0421, or by emailing brandon@artscouncil.mb.ca.

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About the Manitoba Arts Council (MAC) - An arm’s-length agency of the provincial government, MAC supports the professional arts of demonstrated or potential artistic excellence for individuals, groups and organizations, including funding for arts training institutions professional assessment, professional development, artists in the schools and touring. More information about the Manitoba Arts Council is available at www.artscouncil.mb.ca.



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