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Sir Ken Robinson to address the 4th Annual Canadian Symposium for Arts and Learning

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"Human education is richer and more dynamic than we have been lead to believe by formal academic education,"
- Sir Ken Robinson.

The Canadian Network for Arts and Learning, in partnership with the Faculty of Education, University of Manitoba and the Manitoba Arts Council, is pleased to present the 4th Annual Canadian Symposium for Arts and Learning. The Symposium will feature a keynote address by internationally-renowned expert in the field of creativity and innovation in business and education, Sir Ken Robinson on Friday, December 3rd at the Burton Cummings Theatre.

Described as a visionary cultural leader, Sir Ken makes the case for a radical transformation from standardized schools to personalized learning. "We are good at educating people out of their creativity," says Sir Ken, who champions a fundamental rethink of our school systems to cultivate creativity and acknowledge multiple types of intelligence. He believes that our current education model creates good workers but not creative thinkers and he challenges us to rethink the way we're educating our children.

The 4th Annual Canadian Symposium for Arts and Learning takes place in Winnipeg from December 2nd to 4th and includes a balanced blend of artistic and educational sessions and is an important event for educators, artists, researchers, and leaders interested in arts and education in school and community settings.

The Canadian Network for Arts and Learning believes that engagement with creative activity through involvement with the arts is fundamental to the education of the fully realized individual. It envisions a world in which the arts and creative activity are recognized as being integral to the learning process, not only at school but throughout life.

For information about The Canadian Symposium for Arts and Learning, please visit: www.eduarts.ca.

For information about Sir Ken Robinson, please visit: www.sirkenrobinson.com.

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