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CCA Board of Governors Elections Begin Today

Ottawa, February 7, 2005 - It's time to choose the hearts and minds that will help guide the Canadian Conference of the Arts over the next three years. **Elections for the CCA's board of governors begin today, and the voting period will run through February 25, 2005.**

Individual and organizational members can cast their ballots at the CCA's election website (www.ccarts.ca/vote). At the election website, you will find the full slate of 16 candidates, along with a brief bio and a personal statement of intent for each individual.

CCA members have been provided with usernames and passwords by email and "snail" mail over the last few weeks that will allow them to log into the voting site. A reminder is being sent with the Winter 2005 edition of Blizzart, which will be mailed to members this week. If you have not received your voting information, please contact Julie Cayouette, Executive Assistant (by phone at 613.238.3561 ext. 20, or by email at julie.cayouette@ccarts.ca).

How to vote

Voting is easy! Just follow these simple steps:

⇒ Go to www.ccarts.ca/vote (or click on the Elections icon at www.ccarts.ca)

⇒ Log into the election site by entering your username and password and clicking on the "Login" button.

⇒ Get to know the candidates by clicking on their names. A pop-up box will open, featuring their biographical information and statements of intent. (If you have a pop-up blocker on your web browser, you may have to temporarily allow pop-ups to see this information.)

⇒ Select up to eight candidates from the slate of nominees by checking the box beside their name.

⇒ Logout when you have finished.

Why your vote counts

Selecting the makeup of the board is a key benefit, and a decisive responsibility for CCA members. The board of the CCA is responsible for the organization's governance, and is entrusted with the organization's highest level of decision-making and legal authority. The board establishes policy directives for the organization in accordance with the CCA's Strategic Plan, and uses the expertise of individual board members to enhance the knowledge and ability of the board as a body, ensuring the organization continues to thrive and progress.

The board of governors is elected for a three year term, and may serve two consecutive terms. The board is composed of eight elected voting members, and three to five voting members appointed by the board to ensure balance.

Results of the CCA elections will be announced by Bulletin to CCA members in March, 2005.

Have your voice heard

If you are not a member, but would like to have your voice heard on the future of the organization, we encourage you to join the CCA. Any individual or organization that joins the CCA before February 25, 2005, will be eligible to vote in these elections.

For information on becoming a member of the CCA, visit the membership page on our website at www.ccarts.ca/en/members/join/, or contact Jessica Pancoe, CCA membership coordinator by phone at 613.238.3561 ext. 10, or by email at jessica.pancoe@ccarts.ca.

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