

**List of recent cuts in  
Federal Funding for the Arts  
(since April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008)**

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- **E-culture (Culture.ca and Canadian cultural Observatory, including Culturescope.ca)**
  - **Budget:** \$ 4.36 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** The Canadian Cultural Observatory would like to thank its visitors for using the Culturescope.ca interactive portal since 2003. We wish to inform you that Culturescope.ca has been discontinued since April 1st, 2008. This is a result of a Strategic Review of Government of Canada programs and activities announced in the 2008 Budget. The original program objectives of the Cultural Observatory have been fulfilled and the decision to discontinue the Culturescope.ca website reflects the changing conditions in the public digital and online environment. The digital space has evolved tremendously since the Canadian Cultural Observatory was created in 2003. There are now other means for the cultural policy and research community to connect and exchange research. Please note that no new content will be developed. The site will be maintained for the next several months until it is taken offline and archived. In particular, the Culturescope.ca Groups will continue for the next six months with basic support. During this time, every effort will be made to make content and archives related to the Department of Canadian Heritage's mandate available to Canadians as the Department integrates its online services.
  - [http://www.culturescope.ca/ev\\_en.php?ID=1\\_201&ID2=DO\\_ROOT](http://www.culturescope.ca/ev_en.php?ID=1_201&ID2=DO_ROOT)
  
- **Trade Routes Program**
  - **Budget:** \$ 9 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** This is to inform you that the Government of Canada will stop financing contributions under the Trade Routes program at the end of this fiscal year, March 31, 2009. Trade Routes will continue to offer market entry support, in-market assistance and market research services to its clients until the end of the 2009-10 fiscal year – that is, until March 31, 2010. The Government of Canada, through regular reviews of all program spending in federal departments and agencies, is committed to a more disciplined approach to managing spending in order to deliver programs that are efficient and effective and that meet the priorities of Canadians. The portfolio organizations and delivery partners of the Department of Canadian Heritage, including Canada Council for the Arts, Telefilm Canada and the Association for the Export of Canadian Books will continue to offer programs that have an international component. As well, the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade will continue to offer support for Canadian artists and cultural entrepreneurs through its Trade Commissioner Service across Canada and abroad, through its network of diplomatic missions, cultural attachés and trade commissioners.
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/rc-tr/progs/pcrc-trcp/index\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/rc-tr/progs/pcrc-trcp/index_e.cfm)

- **PromArt (Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade)**
  - **Budget:** \$ 4.7 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that the Cultural Sector Grant program mentioned below will be concluded as of March 31, 2009. Please refer to the webpage of your specific discipline for further details.
  - <http://www.international.gc.ca/culture/arts/menu-en.asp>
  
- **Canadian Independent Film and Video Fund**
  - **Budget:** \$1.5 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that Canadian Heritage's contribution to the CIFVF will not be extended beyond April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.
  - <http://www.cifvf.ca/>
  
- **National Training Program for the Film and Video sector**
  - **Budget :** \$2.5 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that funding for the National Training Program for the Film and Video Sector will not be extended beyond April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.
  - [http://www.telefilm.gc.ca/03/311.asp?lang=en&doc\\_id=39&fond\\_id=5](http://www.telefilm.gc.ca/03/311.asp?lang=en&doc_id=39&fond_id=5)
  
- **Audio-visual Preservation Trust**
  - **Cut :** \$ 150,000
  - [http://avtrust.ca/en\\_index.htm](http://avtrust.ca/en_index.htm)
  
- **Canadian culture online (Research and Development Component)**
  - **Budget :** \$ 5.64 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that the New Media Research Networks Fund will not be extended beyond fiscal year 2008-2009. Also, the New Media R&D Initiative, a pilot program that ended in March 2008, will not be renewed. Through its investments of \$27.3 million, the federal government has helped build a strong foundation for innovation in the interactive media sector. These investments, combined with the industry's success, make it possible for the industry to play a key role in interactive media research and development.
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/mednet-nmrd\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/mednet-nmrd_e.cfm)
  
- **Canadian Memory Fund**
  - **Budget:** \$ 11.57 million
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that the Canadian Memory Fund will not be extended beyond fiscal year 2008-2009. This program has clearly achieved its original objective to encourage federal agencies to digitize their collections and make them available online to Canadians. Developing Web sites and online documents containing digitized works is now common practice within these agencies.
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/mem\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/mem_e.cfm)
  
- **Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program (Stabilization Project)**
  - **Budget:** \$ 627,000
  - **Notice on the Website:** Please note that the Stabilization Component will not be extended beyond fiscal year 2008-2009. This program has

achieved its original objective to strengthen the organizational, administrative and financial health of arts and heritage organizations benefiting from the program, through support provided through third parties. Since stabilization projects are established as an agent of long-term change, usually seven to ten years, applications to this component will no longer be accepted.

- [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcapc-cahsp/01\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcapc-cahsp/01_e.cfm)
- **Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program (Capacity Building)**
  - **Budget:** was \$ 6.1 million reduced to \$ 4.3million – reduction of \$ 1.8 million (plus \$ 1 million in salary and internal fees)
  - **Notice on the Website:** The current funding cycle of the Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program will expire on March 31, 2010. The last deadline to apply to the Capacity Building Component for the current funding cycle is October 15, 2008 for projects starting in the spring of 2009. Projects submitted to the Department must be entirely completed by March 31, 2010.
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcapc-cahsp/02\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcapc-cahsp/02_e.cfm)
- **Canadian Arts and Heritage Sustainability Program (Endangered arts organizations)**
  - **Budget:** \$ 500,000
  - This programs was not posted on Department of Canadian Heritage's Website even though it was listed on the Plans and Priorities of the Department
- **Canada music Fund (Canadian Music Memories Component)**
  - **Budget :** \$ 150,000
- **Northern Native Broadcast Access Program**
  - **Budget :** \$ 2.1 millions
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pa-app/progs/paanr-nnbap/index\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pa-app/progs/paanr-nnbap/index_e.cfm)
- **Book Publishing Industry Development Program**
  - **Cut :** \$ 1 million
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/padie-bpidp/index\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/padie-bpidp/index_e.cfm)
- **Canada Magazine Fund**
  - **Cut :** \$ 500,000
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/fcm-cmf/index\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/ac-ca/progs/fcm-cmf/index_e.cfm)
- **Canada New Media Fund**
  - **Budget :** \$ 14.5 million
  - [http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/media\\_e.cfm](http://www.pch.gc.ca/progs/pcce-ccop/progs/media_e.cfm)

**Total: \$ 60, 597,000**