



CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO HOST WITH ARCA

The Artist-Run Centres and Collectives Conference/La Conférence des collectifs et des centres d'artistes autogérés (ARCA) is calling for expressions of interest (EOI) in partnerships for:

- 1) Hosting the 2025 national conference and gathering of artist-run centres**
- 2) Future national conferences beyond 2025 (ie. 2027)**
- 3) Smaller-scale regional gatherings**

The **conferences** are held at different times of the year and locations, with an anticipated 100 participants attending from across Canada. Potential attendance may be as large as 300 participants, as seen in previous gatherings. National gatherings are often multi-day events, which must consider travel, accommodations, hospitality, promotion, venues, documentation and with a strong emphasis on paying artists and presenters above CARFAC rates. The successful applications fully profile and demonstrate interest and ability to partner with the following criteria in mind:

- Name, address, contact information and organizational affiliation of the applicant
- A vision for how the gathering or event will take place (1 paragraph)
- Potential impact and benefit within the host community (1 paragraph)
- Scope of time for the event (duration)
- Outreach potential/number of people involved (attendance)
- Resources available for the event (volunteers, staff, resources) (1 paragraph)

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis from individual artist-run centres, arts service organizations and groups. Although there is no yearly deadline, review and selection are reserved for ARCA's staff and board of directors to be made during the winter of each year. Multiple years of actions may be made ahead of time, so planning and communication are key factors in forming an application.

Upon receipt of the EOI, ARCA will determine those that will be moved forward, and work with the prospective host to develop greater budget and organizational details. The decision to award the tender will be made by ARCA, at which time a memorandum of understanding will be offered to finalize a working agreement between parties.

Preliminary inquiries and questions may be directed to: katherinedionne@arca.art

We look forward to your expressions of interest!

[Application form](#)