

CBRM Creative Catalyst Program 2026

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Submit this form and subsidiary info to recreation@cbrm.ns.ca. **DO NOT** attach files more than 5MB in size as it may mean the application will not be received. Links for files is preferred.

Deadline: **MARCH 27, 2026 AT 4PM**

ELIGIBILITY & PROGRAM CRITERIA

Download the Program Guide at <https://www.cbrm.ns.ca/creativecatalyst>

FAQ

Can I submit if I do not have examples of my previous work?

Yes, but it may influence the jury's opinion on if you can successfully complete your proposed project.

Can I submit a project that includes previously created work?

The project must include art that is newly created. It may build on previously created work, but primarily be newly created.

What does "commercially focused" mean?

Works with the primary intent of creating or supporting the selling a "product" is considered commercially focused. Artistic works may be sold, but primary focus of the project should be the artistic process of creation. It is the applicant's responsibility to show how the project is artistic driven rather than product driven.

Can I submit on behalf of a group?

This program is intended for growth of individual artists in the CBRM. The art being created and presented should be their own, but may employ others in the process of creating their work.

Are workshops an eligible project?

No, the intent of the program is for the artist to create art, not to teach others to create art.

How does the jury determine which projects are selected?

The jury scores each project based on artistic merit of the proposal, quality of support material, feasibility of the project, and the artistic growth potential for the artist. After applications are scored, the jury meets as a group and takes into account where projects are being presented, artists of underrepresented populations, disciplines of creation, and other considerations to create a final list of approved projects.

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Email *

example@example.com

Phone Number *

Please enter a valid phone number.

Address *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

Do you self identify in any of these groups? *

This information is kept confidential and is to develop strategies to remove barriers and improve inclusivity within the program.

Amount requested for project *

This program can award \$500-2500 to eligible projects.

Discipline of project *

Please select most appropriate discipline to your project.

Community where project will be presented *

Community must be within the boundaries of the Cape Breton Regional Municipality inclusive of the First Nations communities of Eskasoni and Membertou.

Provide weblinks to examples of previous artistic works (ensure all links are public and do not require passwords or logins) *

All web links must be public - YouTube/Vimeo (video), SoundCloud (audio), and Flickr (photo) all have free options

Brief timeline of project (200 words maximum) *

Key dates, milestones, and general action plan for the project.0/200

Project description (400 words maximum) *

What you are planning to do, the inspiration for your project, and how you will present, perform, or exhibit the project to the public.

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Project budget (200 words maximum) *

General overview of expenses - does not require itemized budget 0/200

Artist growth (400 words maximum) *

How will participation in this program help you to grow as an artist? 0/400