

Creative Spaces Update

May 29, 2017



Overview

- ► Cultural Plan
- ▶2016 survey and focus groups
- ► Findings
- ► June 6 Creative Spaces Summit



Cultural Plan

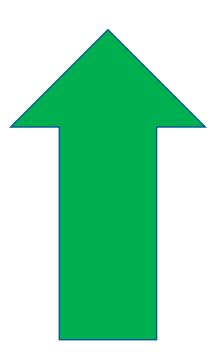
Goal 3: 'Find More & Different kinds of Affordable Cultural Spaces'

- ► Gathering information re: needs / challenges
- ► Inventory
- Providers / partners
- ▶ Potential models
- Regulatory review



Since 2012...increasing:

- Number of artists and organizations
- ▶ Diversity of artforms
- ► Professional-level production
- Number of touring shows
- ► Theatre/rehearsal room usage
- ▶ Rental rates and fees











ELLIS ART STUDIOS

Okanagan Film Studios



Creative Spaces Survey

- ▶ Diverse range of art practice
- ► Artists of all ages
- ▶ 40 per cent working in home studios
- ► Sharing space is a preferred option for many
- Affordability is primary concern
- ▶ 66 per cent currently located in downtown or urban centre
- ► Earnings are low



Focus Groups

- ► Eight groups
- ▶ Distinct art disciplines
- ► 62 participants by invitation
- ► Professional facilitator
- ► Open dialogue





Findings - Highlights

- ▶ Demand for existing spaces exceeds supply
- Design and size of existing spaces no longer meeting needs
- Operational factors are inhibiting access
- ▶ Unique challenges for fabrication artists
- ▶ Interest in co-location
- ► Models for flexible, affordable 'incubation' hubs

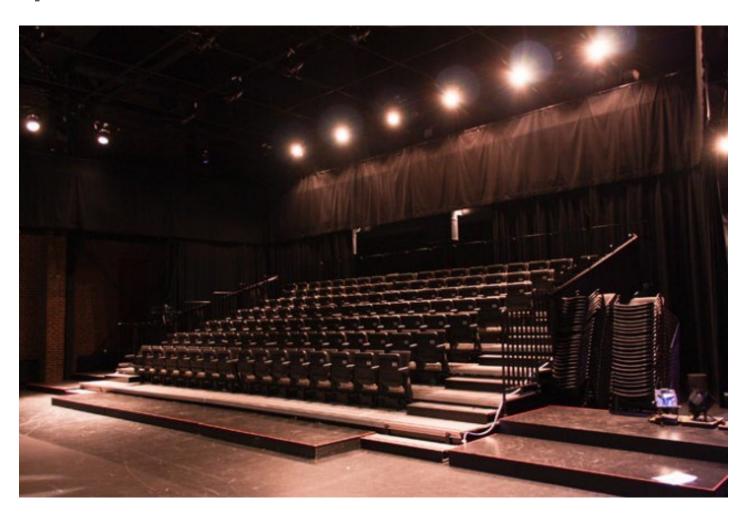


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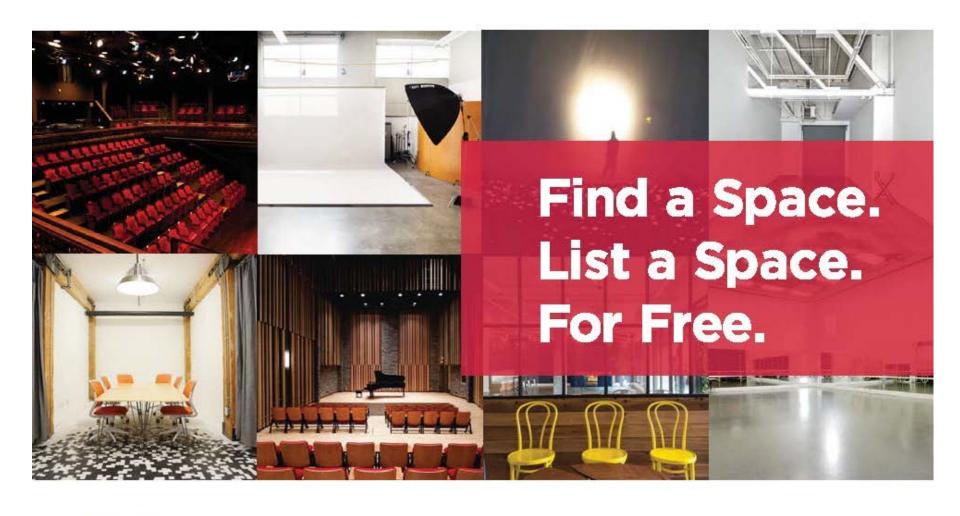




Creative Spaces Summit

- Tuesday, June 6
 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Laurel Packinghouse
- Register through Eventbrite free

More information: <u>culture@kelowna.ca</u> or 250-469-8474





Helping artists and venues find each other.



Questions?

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