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Canada Council marks twenty-five years of support for the arts

The Canada Council, an agency established by the federal government to foster the arts in Canada, is celebrating its twentyfifth anniversary this year and a number of activities have been planned to commemorate the occasion.

The arts community across Canada including artists, arts organizations, associations and unions, is being encouraged to join in the activities in order to focus on the arts across the country. Participation includes dedications of performances, exhibitions and publications, special acknowledgment in-house programs, exhibition catalogues and brochures, and articles or editorials in magazines or newspapers.

Celebrations are being encouraged for the entire year but special events will be held on April 30 to commemorate the date of the first meeting of the council board in 1957.



The Canada Council Conseil des Arts du Canada 1957-1982

In commemoration of their twenty-fifth year, the council has produced an anniversary logo from its original seal and is providing it as a graphic design for publication. The logo is being published in many Canadian arts magazines and brochures this year.

Activities planned

The first event commemorating the Canada Council's anniversary this year was a special exhibition in Toronto in February of more than 50 paintings and sculptures from the council's Art Bank.

Theatre Ballet of Canada, a new dance company based in Ottawa, is dedicating



Père Georges-Henri Lévesque (left), Brooke Claxton (centre) and Vincent Massey (right) arrive at Parliament, April 30, 1957 for first meeting of the Canada Council.