

promote the development of a feature film industry in Canada". Today Canada has a thriving commercial industry.

The Canada Council, a major public patron of the arts, was established in 1957 as a result of the Massey Commission report, which recommended that the arts become more accessible to Canadians, be given greater financial support and allowed to develop independently of other countries. The Council has since awarded thousands of grants in the arts and humanities and has instituted innovative cultural programs that respond to regional needs and reflect the ethnic diversity of the country.

Like the Federal Government, the provinces are active in the support and promotion of the arts, having for the most part established their own arts councils or the like to meet local cultural and artistic requirements, whether they be the conservation or restoration of historic property or the support of ethnic communities.

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The restored Fortress of Louisbourg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, which was demolished in 1760. Once the strongest citadel in North America, the Fortress is now the chief feature of a national historic park.