

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: PITCH SESSION

Magnetic North Industry Series 2012

Calgary, Alberta - June 17 to 20



Magnetic North Theatre Festival

June 13 - 23, 2012

The Magnetic North Theatre Festival is the premiere festival of contemporary Canadian theatre. Like the Magnetic North Pole, the festival shifts location and travels around the country every other year, treating Canadians to excellence in English theatre from every corner of Canada. In 2012, the festival celebrates its 10th anniversary in Calgary; we will host 8 professional productions, an Encounter's Stage featuring the work of three Calgary companies in collaboration with Downstage's Uprising Festival, a myriad of activities in and around the EPCOR CENTRE, Compass Points for Students and Emerging Artists and our ever popular Industry Series.

Magnetic North Industry Series & Presenter's Window

June 17 to 20, 2012

Magnetic North attracts theatre professionals from across Canada and around to world to engage in dialogue, networking, and the exchange of ideas. Between June 17 and 20 you can experience all of the mainstage shows during the Presenter's Window and attend the Industry Series - which includes a program of discussions, gatherings and events that focus on activities relevant to Canadian theatre practitioners. For four days during the festival, the Industry Series gathers together artists, presenters and producers in all stages of their careers to share, debate and initiate relationships for potential collaborations. This year, the Industry Series will open on Sunday, June 17 with an informal meet and greet.

Pitch Session

June 18, 2012

The Pitch Sessions will move to the start of the Industry Series when eight new projects will be introduced to an audience of programmers, presenters and fellow artists. The Pitch Session is an ideal opportunity for artists to showcase their ideas and their projects and find collaborators who can take their project to the next level or extend touring opportunities for their shows. Attended by producers, presenters, Artistic Directors, festival curators, and other industry representatives, the pitches are a vehicle to inspire and educate your peers about your work. The pitches will take place in One Yellow Rabbit's Big Secret Theatre so we encourage theatricality in your presentation. There will be a rehearsal the on June 17 to allow for feedback and revisions, if required. Eight Projects will be selected by a committee comprised of AD Brenda Leadlay, MD Ann Connors and Industry Series Producers, Ghost River Theatre.

Pitch Selection Criteria

- Applicants must be professional artists and preferably, involved in pitching the project.
- Projects should have financial and producing strategies in place at the time of the application.
- Presentations are no more than 10 minutes and may include audio/visual support. We suggest reserving 2 minutes for questions afterwards.
- Applicants **must** be available for a technical rehearsal on Sunday, June 17 between 9 am and noon at The Big Secret Theatre.

Submission Details

- Complete the application form on page 2.
- Provide brief bios of the artists (100 words max) and organizations (150 words max) involved.
- Provide a summary of the project (250 words max) and relevant logistical details.
- Provide a list of your audio/visual and technical requirements for your pitch (DVD, adaptors, etc.).
- Enclose a non-refundable application fee of \$25 (payable to Magnetic North Theatre Festival).
- Successful applicants will be responsible for the costs of their own travel and accommodation.

Please submit your application by March 26, 2012. Successful applicants will be notified by April 4, 2012.
For more information contact Brenda Leadlay at brenda@magneticnorthfestival.ca or 613-947-7000 ext 728

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Industry Series Pitch Application Form

Title of Project:

Name of organization:

Person(s) pitching the project:

Contact Details

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| Mailing Address: | |
| City: | Province: |
| Postal Code: | Telephone: |
| Email: | Website: |

Project Details

Please provide the following information (maximum 4 pages)

1. Discipline
2. 25 word description of the project
3. Estimated length of completed work
4. Estimated premiere date
5. Size of cast and touring company
6. Estimated fee (if you are pitching a tour) or request (if you are seeking development partners)
7. Partners/support already in place
8. What do you hope to achieve through a pitch at the Industry Series?
9. Provide brief biographies of the artists (100 words max) and organizations (150 words max) involved.
10. Provide a summary of the project (250 words max) and relevant logistical details.
11. Provide a list of your audio-visual materials and technical requirements for your pitch (DVD, projectors, adaptors, etc). If you do not require any tech, please indicate that as well.

Please send your completed submission by March 26, 2012 to:

Brenda Leadlay, Artistic Director, Magnetic North Theatre Festival

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