

Ardrossan Yatran Ukrainian Dance Association Box 67 Ardrossan, AB T8E 2A1

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Ardrossan Yatran Ukrainian Dance Association: Application for Council Priority Funds

The Ardrossan Yatran Ukrainian Dance Association would like to request the financial assistance of the Strathcona County - Council Priority Funds program to assist with our May 2017 Year End concert that will take place at Festival Place in Sherwood Park.

Our volunteer organization has been based in Ardrossan since 1981, and has been registered as a not for profit society since 1986. We currently have 33 families with 56 dancers, ranging in age 3 to adult. Our organization is community minded, promoting the art of Ukrainian dance in and around our community. This year our performances include: our annual Family Dance in Ardrossan, Silver Birch Senior's Lodge in Sherwood Park, and three competitions in Saskatoon, St. Paul, and St. Albert. We regularly attend the June Ardrossan Picnic and Parade and we hope to participate in this wonderful event again this year.

The production of our year end show at Festival Place showcases our Yatran dancers and gives us the opportunity to show friends, family, and Strathcona community our love for Ukrainian dance along with the impressive skills our young dancers have gained over the year. Budgeted costs for hosting this event is \$3,800 which includes the rental of the theater, producing a videotape of the show, programs, backstage snacks and water for the performers, and small honorariums for other volunteer performers that help supplement our production. Other volunteer performers includes a local singer that performs both the Canadian and Ukrainian national anthems and the amazing Shumka dancers so our young dance students can share the theater with the "best of the best" inspiring our children to continue to grow their dancing ability while learning about the Ukrainian heritage.

With the support of Strathcona Council, we are hoping to expand our reach within our local community by providing complimentary tickets to local organizations that support Strathcona residents with disabilities and to our local senior lodges. We would also like to provide complimentary DVD's of the production for shut in residents that are not able to attend in person.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request. Our dancers and their families would be very appreciative of any assistance Strathcona County is able to provide. Your support of the Ardrossan Yatran dancers, will assist us to continue to share our love of Ukrainian dance and culture within the Strathcona County community. If you have any questions regarding our request, please call me at

Sincerely,

President, Ardrossan Yatran Ukrainian Dance Association



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ARDROSSAN YATRAN YEAR END DANCE CONCERT 2017 BUDGET

EXPENSES

Theater Rent	600
DVD	1,400
Programs	250
Honorariums	500
Other	400
Singer Donation	100
Food	550
	3,800