



Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Program

Annual Report

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Premier's Message



As Minister of Economic Development, I am pleased to present the 2021–2022 Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Program Annual Report. The film and sound industry is an important piece of Yukon's economy and legacy in media production. The Yukon hosts a vibrant collection of local talented professionals, and we are proud that our Media Development Unit is able to support these individuals through several media funds.

The Government of Yukon provides tailored support through every step of the media creation process. Whether you have a fully formed concept, or you find yourself in the idea phase of your journey, access to the supports that our media funds provide will allow you the opportunity to transform your dream into a reality.

Our government makes it a priority to develop and implement programs that support local creators in getting their projects into the global marketplace. Since 2003, we have invested over 17 million dollars into 661 music and film projects. We believe media investment is an important mechanism in diversifying the Yukon's economy.

Yukoners are cultural ambassadors for the territory when they are touring or producing their films for the world stage. Their success benefits all Yukoners and raises the profile of the Yukon's film and sound industry.

The Film & Sound Incentive Program creates opportunities for the industry to gain experience, employment and exposure here in the Yukon and abroad. We celebrate these industry professionals who are making their mark in this industry and showcasing how truly special and unique the Yukon is.

Congratulations to all of our local film and sound professionals on all your success and accomplishments. Thank you for your contributions to the Yukon's culture and economy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ranj Pillai". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ranj Pillai
Premier and Minister of Economic Development
Government of Yukon



Photo courtesy of Sarah Ott

Yukon Film Location Incentive

Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$837,607

The Yukon Film Location Incentive encourages production companies to film in the Yukon and hire and train Yukoners.

There are three components of this incentive program:

Yukon Spend Rebate: Television programs, television movies (Movies of the Week), documentaries and feature films are eligible for a rebate of up to 25 per cent of below-the-line Yukon spend. Commercials are not eligible.

Training Rebate: Productions are eligible for a rebate of up to 25 per cent of wages paid to individuals providing on-set training (techniques and equipment) for eligible Yukon labour. Commercials are not eligible.

Travel Rebate: Productions are eligible for a 50 per cent rebate on travel costs, subject to a percentage and dollar maximum, depending on the production type. Commercials are eligible.

There was one application to the Yukon Film Location Incentive Program in 2021–22 and it was approved.

Name of applicant	Project information	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2022
Raw TV Limited	Gold Rush Season 12	\$837,607	Complete



Photo courtesy of Screen Production
Yukon Association

Yukon Film Development Fund

Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$81,282

Under the Yukon Film Development Fund, up to 50 per cent of actual Yukon expenditures to a maximum of \$35,000 or 33 per cent of total project expenses, whichever is less, is available to Yukon residents or Yukon corporations to assist with the development costs of film projects in the Yukon. The applicant should have marketplace support in the form of a broadcast development agreement or a distribution arrangement.

An additional \$10,000 is available to an applicant if the broadcaster or distributor requires senior personnel not available in the Yukon be attached to the project. There were six applications to the Yukon Film Development Fund in 2021–22, of those applications, four were approved.

Name of applicant	Project Information	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2022
Shot in the Dark Film Productions inc	Northern Tales	\$23,100	In Progress
Simon D'Amours Productions Inc	Junior	\$18,865	In Progress
Simon D'Amours Productions Ince	Ou Suis Je Dans	\$19,317	In Progress
Yukon Land Claim Film Inc.	Yukon Land Back: The Fight for Indigenous Self Government	\$20,000	In Progress



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Yukon Film Production Fund

Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$224,231

Under the Yukon Film Production Fund, up to \$500,000 per project is available to Yukon corporations with significant financial and creative control over a film project to assist with the costs of producing the film in the Yukon. The applicant is required to have marketplace support in the form of a broadcast license or a distribution arrangement for a minimum of 10 per cent of the production budget. Requests may be considered for amounts over the \$500,000 maximum but are subject to an additional approval process.

For productions solely controlled by a Yukon resident or corporation, the contributions will be based on 30 per cent of Yukon expenditures, or 30 per cent of total production costs, whichever is less.

For co-productions, the contribution will be based on 30 per cent of Yukon expenditures, or 20 per cent of total production costs, whichever is less.

There were three applications to the Yukon Film Production Fund in 2021–22 of those applications two were approved.

Name of applicant	Project information	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2022
536228 Yukon Inc.	Greg McHale's Wild Yukon	\$101,047	In Progress
837787 Yukon Inc.	Northlore	\$123,184	In Progress

Yukon Film Training Initiative

Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$50,451

Under the Yukon Film Training Initiative, up to \$3,000 per person per fiscal year is available to Yukon residents for training in a career in the film industry. Applicants must have demonstrated a commitment to a career in this field, such as significant recent course work or work experience. The Yukon film industry organizations are also eligible for funding to support local film workshops.

There were six applications to the Yukon Film Training Initiative in 2021–22 and six applications were approved.

Name of applicant	Project information	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2022
Yukon Film Society	Workshop Series 2021	\$6,000	Complete
Rachel Grantham	Video Production Diploma	\$960	Withdrawn
Screen Production Yukon Association	Screen Media Training Program 2021-2022	\$34,856	In Progress
Dawson City Arts Society	Sound and Music in Film Workshop	\$985	Complete
Whitney R Horne	Training for Storytelling for Scripted Television	\$650	Complete
Screen Production Yukon Association	Northern Canada Producer Accelerator Programt	\$7000	In Progress



Photo courtesy of The Midnight Sons

Yukon Filmmakers Fund

**Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$20,000**

Under the Yukon Filmmakers Fund, up to \$8,000 per applicant is available to Yukon resident film and video professionals to assist in advancing their careers in the film industry. There are two intakes per year: June 1 and December 1.

There were seven applications to the Yukon Filmmakers Fund in 2020–21. Juries recommended funding for the following three projects.

Name of applicant	Project name	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2022
Kelly A Milner	Herschel- Development Phase	\$6,000	Complete
Peter Mather	Ice Bears	\$7,000	In Progress
Siku Allooloo	Spirit Emulsion- Short Documentary -	\$7,000	In Progress

Yukon Sound Recording Program

Total approved amounts 2021–22
\$34,995

The Yukon Sound Recording Program supports the Yukon sound recording industry by providing financial assistance for demo and full-length sound recording projects. There are two intakes per year: May 1 and November 1.

There are two components to the Sound Recording Program:

Professional Demo Recording: up to \$2,000 for the production of a CD with a minimum of two tracks or five minutes.

Professional Sound Recording: up to \$5,000 for the production of a CD with a minimum of six tracks or twenty minutes.

There were 24 complete applications to the Yukon Sound Recording Program in 2021–22. Juries recommended funding for the following 14 projects.

Name of applicant	Project name	Approved amount	Project status as of March 31, 2021
Sarah Ott	Wish You Well Demo	\$1,614	Complete
Nathan Shultz	O'Vanstones Demo	\$2,000	Complete
Ellorie McKnight	Ellorie McKnight & Ryan McNally Demo	\$2,000	Complete
Alex Johnston	The Midnight Sons - Alone In The City Demo	\$2,000	Complete
Aiden Tentrees	Swamp Sex Robots 2021	\$5,000	In Progress
Amelia Rose Slobogean	Instrumental Demo	\$1,550	Complete
Erica Dee Mah	The Sargasso Season - Full Length	\$3,831	In Progress
Jeff Wolosewich	The Dark Fruits 2nd Album	\$5,000	In Progress
Sara Macdonald	The August Arrival - Keep Driving Demo	\$2,000	In Progress
Claire Ness	Spell of the Yukon - Demo	\$2,000	In Progress
Bethan Davies	The Half Cuts Demo	\$2,000	Withdrawn
Claire Gallagher	Lizzy Demo	\$2,000	In Progress
Ryan McNally	Go Away Pharaoh Demo	\$2,000	In Progress
Bethan Davies	The Half Cuts - Lonely Girl Demo	\$2,000	In Progress

Statistical Summary 2021–22

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Yukon Film Development Fund	\$81,282
Yukon Film Production Fund	\$224,231
Yukon Film Training Initiative	\$50,451
Yukon Filmmakers Fund	\$20,000
Yukon Sound & Recording Fund	\$34,995
Total Film & Sound Incentive Programs Approval	\$1,248,566
Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Funding	
Screen Production Yukon Association	\$65,000
MusicYukon	\$80,000
MusicYukon Membership in Western Canada Music Alliance	\$15,000
Total NGO Funding Approvals	\$160,000

Funding is provided to non-governmental organizations in the form of Transfer Payment Agreements. Funding to these organizations allow them to prepare their members to access the Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Program.



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