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Arts Commons Announces 2024-25 Cohort of TD Incubator Program

October 2, 2024 - CALGARY – Making waves in Calgary by providing a place for creativity to flourish, the TD Incubator program is establishing itself as a foundational part of Calgary’s cultural community. Arts Commons will be welcoming 35 multidisciplinary artists to engage in a year-long schedule of networking events, artist mentorship, and professional development workshops. [Click here for the full list of TD Incubator participants.](#)

The TD Incubator program is entering its fourth year of supporting Calgary’s vibrant community of artists. In addition to the professional development workshops, mentorship, and networking opportunities provided by Arts Commons, a key part of the program is the opportunity for these artists to share their art with the public. This is achieved through exhibitions in the +15 Soundscape and Micro Cinema (formerly Broadcast Lab). For performing artists, this is supported through the TD Amplify series, which takes place over four live presentations in the Engineered Air Theatre at Arts Commons.

This season, Arts Commons is thrilled to be welcoming Steven Conde as the TD Amplify series director, bringing his wealth of experience as a theatre director to the program. In Calgary, Steven is best known for recently forming the first Filipino Canadian theatre company in Alberta – FlipSide Theatre – opening more avenues for Filipino representation on Calgary stages.

“Looking at the 24-25 TD Incubator artist cohort has gotten me more excited than ever at what the arts community has to offer! The talent and passion of these artists is something audiences should watch out for as this year’s TD Amplify Series strengthens collaborations and dialogue between different fields of performance,” says Steven Conde.

Each season of TD Incubator is guided by the vision of an outstanding artistic Fellow, with past Fellows including award-winning R&B duo Sargeant x Comrade and former poet laureate Wakefield Brewster. In 2024-25, Arts Commons is thrilled to welcome Migguel Anggelo – our first international Fellow. Artistic visionary and creative catalyst Migguel Anggelo will introduce himself to Calgary at a free public event, *Ideas and Inspiration with Migguel Anggelo*, on **Thursday, October 17** at the **Residence Inn Calgary Downtown | Beltline District - Marriott**. [Click here to learn more.](#)

“I’m humbled by the privilege of introducing audiences to the wild diversity of artistic talent in this season’s TD Incubator,” says Josh Dalledonne, Associate Director Creative. *“And welcoming an absolute ‘darling of New York’s artistic scene’ as our inspiration and fellow is not only fitting, but necessary for where the journey our artists are on. With Steven shepherding Migguel’s vision to the stage through the TD Amplify series, we’re set to elevate the experience for everyone involved – how lucky are we!?”*

Part of Arts Commons Connects, the artist development arm of Arts Commons, TD Incubator has and continues to create essential connections between artists, audiences, and the mentors and arts workers needed to bring the work to life. TD Incubator is establishing a critical foundation for Calgary artists to expand their practice and access the many resources available to them with some artists returning over multiple seasons for continued support in developing their artistic practice.

Arts Commons Presents wishes to express our sincere appreciation to Naming Partner TD Bank Group.

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Arts Commons Presents invites you to discover the transformative power of the Arts. As the programming arm of Arts Commons, the largest performing arts centre in Western Canada, Arts Commons Presents is one manifestation of this mandate, achieved through the programming and presenting of our in-house series: BD&P World Stage, Classic Albums Live, National Geographic Live, and TD Amplify series. Through this work, we are able to do our part to further enrich our city, as well as create opportunities for Calgary-based artists to perform, exhibit, reach new audiences, and grow on a multitude of levels.

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