

## #OTTAWACULTURECOUNTS

**Good for our community, good for our economy**

ARTS NETWORK OTTAWA SENT OUT THIS SHORT SURVEY TO CANDIDATES FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND THE RESPONSES WE RECEIVED TO DATE ARE BELOW:

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A thriving arts and culture scene makes Ottawa a great place to live. Arts Network Ottawa represents over 400 artists, arts organizations and supporters from across the City. We wish to know where you stand on the City's role in advancing Ottawa's local arts scene for the next four years.

Do you know that the arts provide both important economic and social benefits to our City? The arts contribute to community-building, and offer valuable benefits to families, jobs and tourism. Yet our local artists and arts organizations are under-resourced. Please read the attached document or [Find out more about Ottawa Culture here.](#)

### **Please let us know:**

1. How are you involved in the arts in your ward?
2. If elected, will you make arts and culture a priority for the next term of City Council?
3. If elected, will you support the new Cultural Roadmap now in development by the local cultural community?
4. For School board trustees: Will you support increased attention to arts learning within the school system. Not just STEM, but STEAM!)

[Arts Network Ottawa](#) supports the #OttawaCultureCounts campaign of the [Ottawa Cultural Alliance](#).

For more information on the social and economic benefits of the arts go to the Ontarians for the Arts and the Arts Network Ottawa websites:

<http://ontariansforthearts.ca/>

<http://www.artsoe.ca/about-us/what-we-do/advocacy/>

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## #LACULTUREDOTTAWACOMPTE

### Bon pour notre communauté, bon pour notre économie

Une scène artistique et culturelle prospère fait de notre ville un endroit où il fait bon vivre. Le Réseau des arts d'Ottawa représente plus de 400 artistes, organisations artistiques et supporteurs à travers la ville. Nous désirons apprendre comment vous comptez supporter la communauté artistique d'Ottawa au cours des quatre prochaines années.

Saviez-vous que les arts fournissent des avantages à la fois économiques et sociaux importants pour notre ville? Les arts facilitent la création de liens dans la communauté et offrent des avantages importants aux familles, à la création d'emplois, et au tourisme. Pourtant, nos artistes et organismes artistiques locaux manquent de ressources. [Découvrez plus d'information sur la culture d'Ottawa en suivant ce lien.](#)

#### **Veillez partager avec nous :**

1. Comment êtes-vous impliqué dans le domaine des arts de votre quartier?
2. Si vous êtes élu, est-ce que les arts seront l'une de votre priorité lors du prochain mandat du Conseil?
3. Si vous êtes élu, supporterez-vous la Feuille de Route Culturelle présentement en cour de développement par la communauté culturelle locale?
4. Pour les conseillers scolaires : Encouragerez-vous une attention accrue à l'apprentissage des arts dans la cadre du programme scolaire? Non seulement STIM, mais STIAM!)

Le [Réseau des arts d'Ottawa](#) appuie la campagne #LACULTUREDOTTAWACOMPTE de l'[Alliance culturelle d'Ottawa](#).

Pour plus d'informations sur les avantages économiques et sociaux du secteur des arts, consultez les sites du Réseau des arts d'Ottawa et celui des Ontariens pour les arts :

<http://ontarienspoulesarts.ca/>

<http://www.artsoe.ca/about-us/what-we-do/advocacy/?lang=fr>

## **CANDIDATS - MAIRIE**

### **Ahmed Bouragba**

1. How are you involved in the arts in Ottawa? I did volunteer years with the Children Festivals, I am a teacher who teaches Arts and believe in Arts.
  2. If elected, will you make arts and culture a priority for the next term of City Council? Absolutely yes, I will invest in Arts to have the local people and the tourists come from the entire world to enjoy the productions of our artists.
  3. If elected, will you support the new Cultural Roadmap now in development by the local cultural community? Absolutely yes.
1. Comment êtes-vous impliqué dans les arts à Ottawa? Bénévolat au programmes artistiques et j'enseigne les Arts, aussi je crois que l'art est un outil fort qui encourage notre économie.
  2. Si vous êtes élu, est-ce que les arts seront l'une de votre priorité lors du prochain mandat du Conseil? Absolument oui.
  3. Si vous êtes élu, supporterez-vous la Feuille de Route Culturelle présentement en cour de développement par la communauté culturelle locale? Absolument oui.

### **Bernard Couchman**

Hi please find my platform at [www.bernardcouchman.ca](http://www.bernardcouchman.ca) I am an artist you will love what we will be doing with this city you will LOVE IT, Local Artist will be getting Respect. If you have any questions lets meet up to organise our future cities. Have a great day!!!

### **Joey Drouin**

- 1) I enjoy going to local music shows and have helped to bring art days to Iona Park with my community association.
- 2) Yes. I also believe that an equal amount should be spent on the arts and sports in the Ottawa budget.
- 3) Yes I would support the cultural roadmap put forth by our local arts community.

### **Craig MacAulay**

1. How are you involved in the arts in Ottawa?

My current opus is a visual portrait of about 50,000 Ottawa residents, everyone from the Governor General to the Bells Corners Homeless Guy. They're all sitting on a turquoise bench and they're all displaying genuine smiles of delight: <https://bellscorners.wordpress.com/bike-taxi-passengers/>

2. If elected, will you make arts and culture a priority for the next term of City Council?

- More funding and more innovative programmes to support artists and make their work easily accessible to the community. More murals!

3. If elected, will you support the new Cultural Roadmap now in development by the local cultural community? - Of course!

## **Michael Pastien**

The early part of my life was most totally devoted to the arts, as an accomplished fine artist, painter, photographer, writer, stage performer, film actor, singer, and 7 years eclectic radio deejay. I nowadays utilize my creativity businesswise multifacetedly. I've had NCC season tickets for many years, and attended varied Festival Events, plus really look forward to singing as a special guest at an Event next Sunday during my Election Campaign!

As a pragmatic astute connoisseur of virtuoso world art, design style entertainment, I am keen on exponentially furthering artistic stimuli outdoors, with ideally smart public interactive art (like the brilliant Oscar Peterson installation) ... collaboratively in tandem with the best cultural local talent towards their duly receiving the respect they deserve, in capitally fostering effervescent multimedia techno sonic organic colour fusion fashion sapient tourism chic éclat!