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It's Recruitment Season for Kingston's Youth Arts Festival

(January 24th, 2022. Kingston, Ontario) Blue Canoe's Juvenis Festival is currently recruiting those ages 13 to 30 to participate in youth-led projects by young local artists. There are over 100 positions available across six different projects of various arts disciplines for teens and new adults to share their creative voices and connect with like-minded individuals.

The Juvenis Festival is an 11- day long festival that gives young people the opportunity to act, sing, dance, perform and showcase their artistic talents, as well as take free workshops and masterclasses to build on their interests and skills in the arts.

The festival is heading into its seventh year and will be a hybrid in-person online festival. For the last two festivals, events have had to pivot to the virtual environment, though all projects were executed. When digitizing a project was not possible in 2021, events were postponed until the fall. These events included *Battle of the Bands*, which was held at Confederation Park, and the production of *Evil Dead: The Musical*, at the Baby Grand theatre. We are prepared to do what is necessary for all projects to move ahead again safely this year in one way or another.

According to Tobias Partridge, one of the members of the Juvenis Youth Project Leader Program, "the opportunities Juvenis provides to young people to express their artistic voices are so important, especially right now. The Juvenis community allows its members to forge meaningful connections and develop skills they would never have the chance to do otherwise."

In addition to project opportunities, the Juvenis Festival is actively recruiting workshop leaders and volunteers. Those interested in participating in these opportunities can be of any age. Workshop leaders of all arts and arts-related disciplines are welcome to apply and will receive compensation.

The Juvenis Festival is also collecting donations via GoFundMe during the month of January. As a not-for-profit organization, all of the proceeds from this campaign go directly into supporting the festival's projects and initiatives.

The festival will be held from April 27th to May 7th, 2022 and more opportunities for involvement are still to come!

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For more information on projects: <http://www.juvenisfestival.ca/Juvenis-2022.php>

Donation Campaign: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/nmqaf8-juvenis-festival-launch>