

Forums on the Arts

(Ongoing Program)

Since September 1999 the Alliance has been organizing Forums on the Arts for each municipal, provincial, and federal election so that the public has an opportunity to hear candidate's positions on arts and cultural issues. Forums are usually well-attended with more than 100 participants. All candidates are invited and have equal time to speak about their platforms on the Arts. The audience also has an opportunity to ask relevant questions. Candidates are also asked to fill out a survey on the arts which are then published by our *Arts News* Newsletter.

What is the Purpose of the Program: The forums are designed to encourage individuals interested in the Arts to be informed on relevant arts-related election issues.