

Forces Agreement. Under the terms of a 10-year agreement signed in 1971 British military forces train in Canada. A similar agreement was also signed with the Federal Republic of Germany. Training areas remain under Canadian command and control and all costs are paid by the two countries concerned.

Pilots from NATO countries have trained at Canadian defence establishments for many years. In recent years pilots from Denmark, Germany, Norway and the Netherlands have benefited from the program. Canada continues to tutor NATO pilots from the Netherlands under an agreement which is to continue until July 1981.

## 7.7 Cultural activities

### 7.7.1 Education in the arts

There has been considerable expansion of education opportunities in the arts in Canada in the past few years. Courses of artistic content have increased to some extent in the universities but the main growth has taken place in the newly established community colleges of Ontario and the collèges d'enseignement général et professionnel (CEGEPs) of Quebec. These colleges offer both a transfer diploma which allows the student to continue his studies at university, and a vocational diploma with which the student may seek employment.

Fine arts (architecture, painting and drawing, commercial and decorative arts, graphics, ceramics and sculpture) appears as an elective subject of the faculty of arts in a number of universities, where it may be taken as one of five, six or more subjects for a year or two. A number of universities offer a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in fine arts. Others offer a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. It is also possible to complete a master's degree and doctorate in fine arts in some Canadian universities. There are many colleges and schools of art with varying academic requirements for admission. These offer diploma or certificate courses and are concerned largely with the technical development of the artist. Courses vary in length with the requirements of the individual student but may extend over as many as four years. In some schools fine crafts as well as fine arts are taught. Summer schools of art are sponsored by some institutions, by universities and by various independent groups.

Degree courses in music, the most widespread of the performing arts, are offered at a number of Canadian universities. Opera may be studied at the Royal Conservatory Opera School of the University of Toronto where advanced students work in close collaboration with the Canadian Opera Company, and also at the Conservatoire de Musique et l'Art Dramatique in Montreal and Quebec City and at the Banff School of Fine Arts (summer). Degree courses in drama are given at several universities. The National Theatre School of Canada in Montreal offers complete practical training in English or French for talented students, in a three-year acting course and two years for technical and production studies. The National Ballet School at Toronto is the only residential ballet school in Canada. Professional instruction is also offered by Les Grands Ballets Canadiens, Montreal, and the Royal Winnipeg Ballet. Instruction in drama, ballet, opera, creative writing and fine arts is given in summer school courses at the Banff School of Fine Arts, affiliated with the University of Calgary.

### 7.7.2 Performing arts

In recent years, grants have been made available to performing arts groups from both the public and private sectors to help finance their productions. Ticket sales and funds from backers scarcely meet half the expenses incurred by such groups.

Statistics Canada carries out an annual survey of a number of performing arts groups receiving grants from the Canada Council. Data on performances, audiences and finances are gathered at the end of the groups' fiscal year. Art forms surveyed include theatre (29 companies), music (13), dance (5) and opera (4).

During 1974 these 51 groups gave a total of 10,730 performances, attended by audiences of 5.7 million people. Total grants received amounted to almost \$19