writers. The council annually awards two translation prizes to the best English and French translations of Canadian works and two children's literature prizes to the year's best English and French books for young people. Co-sponsored by their respective governments and the Canadian government, a Canada—Australia literary prize and a Canada—Belgium literary prize are awarded in alternate years to a writer from each country. The council and the CBC co-sponsor national competitions for young composers and for amateur choirs.

The council gives financial support to the Jules Léger prize for new chamber music, administered by the Canadian Music Council, and co-sponsors with the Massey Foundation and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp, the Vincent Massey awards for excellence in the urban environment.

The council provides the budget and secretariat for the Canadian Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization). The commission serves as a non-political liaison agency between UNESCO and Canadian public and private bodies and carries out a modest domestic program to further UNESCO objectives. It also administers council travel grants for Canadians serving as senior officers or board members of international non-government arts organizations.

## 17.2.2 Provincial aid to the arts

Newfoundland. The tourism department of Newfoundland and Labrador operates arts and culture centres at St. John's, Gander, Grand Falls, Corner Brook and Stephenville through its cultural affairs division. The division administers an annual arts and letters competition and a grants and awards program, open primarily to arts groups or organizations for various projects, and provides small sustaining grants to community arts councils and other arts organizations.

A cultural affairs division is responsible for the major programming in the arts and culture centres, ensuring that provincial, national and international companies and individual performers are available through the fall and winter theatrical seasons. The division administers a small acquisition fund enabling the province to add works by Newfoundland visual artists to its permanent collection.

Nova Scotia. The recreation department is responsible for cultural development, including music, theatre, crafts, multiculturalism, festivals, arts councils, dance, visual arts, writing, film and photography, the art bank and art gallery of Nova Scotia. The department supports eight cultural federations which act as service agencies for arts and cultural programs.

In the year ended March 31, 1979, grants to major cultural institutions amounted to \$590,050. Program and leadership grants awarded to community-based programs in the performing, visual and literary arts amounted to \$283,500.

The Nova Scotia museum section of the education department disbursed grants amounting to \$820,000 to local museums and historical societies. Other major cultural expenditures included over \$3.1 million for a provincial library (education department), \$365,000 for the archives and \$113,993 from the tourism department for festivals and other cultural events.

New Brunswick provides assistance to community cultural associations which sponsor activities in the performing and visual arts: NB Drama League, NB Federation of Music Festivals, Alliance chorale du Nouveau-Brunswick, Le Conseil de promotion et de diffusion de la culture, NB Folk Arts Council and art galleries.

The government assists in presentations of performing arts and co-ordinates exhibitions of work by New Brunswick artists. Groups receiving funds include the Atlantic Symphony, Theatre New Brunswick, Young Theatre New Brunswick, Théâtre populaire d'Acadie, Troupe folklorique du Madawaska, New Brunswick Youth Orchestra and New Brunswick String Quartet.

The province has an awards program for students wishing to pursue careers in the arts and provides help to artists or cultural association representatives to attend meetings and festivals. In the literary arts, a program of assistance to publishers is in operation as well as projects for writers in schools and communities.