

**Quebec.** The cultural affairs department, charged with the administration of cultural organizations and institutions, concentrates on five programs: books and other printed material, conservation and development of cultural properties, visual arts, performing arts and administration of the department.

The book program aims to promote literary creation and production, to stimulate distribution of Quebec writing and ensure that it is conserved and read. The program assists publishing and sale of books, develops a network of public libraries, and preserves and makes accessible the Quebec literary heritage through the National Library of Quebec.

Through the conservation and development of cultural properties, technical assistance and expertise are provided to preserve and develop the historical heritage. Components involve the National Archives of Quebec, conservation of historical and archeological sites and properties, and recommendations to the department for conservation of cultural properties, made by the Cultural Properties Commission.

The visual arts program has a dual objective: conservation and dissemination of visual arts and promotion of creativity. This program includes the operation of the Musée du Québec and the Musée d'art contemporain, assistance to private museums and promotion of visual arts.

The program on performing arts is designed to train professionals in music, theatre and dance and provides funds to about 100 cultural organizations throughout Quebec.

**Ontario.** The ministry of culture and recreation, through its arts, sports and heritage divisions, offers numerous programs and services. Grants are allocated to: the Ontario Arts Council, the Royal Ontario Museum, the McMichael Canadian Collection of Art, the Art Gallery of Ontario, the Royal Botanical Gardens, CJRT-FM, the Ontario Educational Communications Authority and the Ontario Science Centre.

The ministry provides funds to organizations through OUTREACH programs, Festival Ontario and the Wintario lottery to support cultural and recreational activities.

Prime objectives of the arts division are to encourage the pursuit of excellence in the arts and promote wider participation in the enjoyment of arts activities.

A cultural industries branch sets policies of assistance for the film, recording and publishing industries. These are concentrated mainly in Toronto and have potential of becoming self-sustaining. A program of loan guarantees and interest subsidies for book publishing is administered with the co-operation of the Ontario Development Corp. The branch is investigating policies concerning private sector support of the arts in Ontario.

The sports and fitness unit encourages participation in an integrated program of physical, social and educational activities. It provides publicity material on recreation, sports and fitness, and consulting services and help to provincial sport-governing bodies and amateur games.

A citizenship division fosters full citizenship among Ontario residents with services to eliminate barriers to participation in community life. Among them are language and orientation classes for newcomers, free translation of trade and educational documents from other languages into English, and multilingual information and counselling services.

A heritage conservation division is responsible for protecting and preserving Ontario's heritage and historical resources. It supports the Ontario Heritage Foundation and administers Huronia Historical Parks including Sainte-Marie among the Hurons at Midland and the historic naval and military establishments at Penetanguishene, and Old Fort William.

**Manitoba.** The Manitoba Arts Council promotes the study, enjoyment, production and performance of works in the arts. It assists organizations involved in cultural development, provides grants, scholarships or loans to Manitobans for study or research in the arts and makes awards for outstanding accomplishment in the arts. Working on a budget of \$840,000, the council in the year ended March 31, 1978 made grants to 25 organizations including the Manitoba Theatre Centre, Rainbow Stage, the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra. The council's awards program provided assistance to individual Manitoba artists.