

#### Yukon's first dedicated art & music festival for children!

## August 12-14, 2022

St. Elias Convention Centre Haines Junction, Yukon

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CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

# WELCOME!



Dazhäw and welcome to the fourth annual Augusto! Children's Festival!!! We acknowledge that this activity is on the land of the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations and thank them for allowing us to hold this event in their traditional territory. We are proud and excited to be presenting Yukon's first dedicated art and music festival for children. Whether you are a child, family, volunteer or presenter, there will be much to entertain you throughout the weekend!

Our theme this year will be World of Dreamers - a fun way to explore with dream animals, enchanted forests and silk screened pillowcases to keep you dreaming through the night!

All children must be accompanied by an adult. You can plan to eat at the festival - there will be a nut free Kid's Café with healthy snacks and lunch operating in the Atrium throughout the day Saturday and until 1 p.m. on Sunday, with space for parents and kids to have lunch, grab a drink and relax. The cafe is part of Augusto! fundraising and helps us to keep ticket prices low! The Augusto! Children's Festival strives to be a zero waste event with stations for compost and recycling. No bottled water or other bottled products will be sold on site so be sure to bring your own water bottle!

Check out **www.augustokids.ca** for festival updates and information on how to purchase weekend passes. Be sure to sign up for workshops at the same time, as workshop spaces are limited!

#### Weekend passes are \$30 for ages 5-12 and include the following:

Friday night dance with Annie Avery and Friends Saturday night show Friends Forever Puppets opening for Les Soeurs Kif-Kif - The Kif-Kif Sisters Up to six one hour workshops Saturday daytime and Sunday morning Sunday Festival Finale – Friends Forever Puppets Theatre Show Plus a \$5.00 credit at the Kid's Cafe in the Atrium

#### Weekend passes are \$20 for ages 2-4 and include the following:

Friday night dance with Annie Avery and Friends Saturday night show Friends Forever Puppets opening for Les Soeurs Kif-Kif - The Kif-Kif Sisters Access to Toddler Town – Saturday daytime and Sunday morning structured activities, snacks, roving performers, short concerts and the amazing cardboard village! Sunday Festival Finale – Friends Forever Puppets Theatre Show



#### **Organization Information**

The mandate of the Augusto! Children's Festival Society is to create an art and music festival that celebrates children while providing a community event that fosters, expands and promotes an interest in art and music. It is an opportunity for children 12 and under and their adults to experience a variety of art and music activities, through shows and workshops led by professional artists. All festival activities will take place in the St. Elias Convention Centre and the Bill Brewster Arena Lobby and Mezzanine.

#### Our current volunteer board members are:

Martha Ritchie, President Megan Melanson, Vice President Darlene Sillery, Secretary/Treasurer Libby Anderson, Director Mathilde Leblanc, Director

We will be soliciting feedback throughout the weekend about the festival. Your comments and suggestions for future festivals are welcome and essential – please feel free to approach any of our board members over the weekend or email us at **augustofestival@gmail.com** 



## PERFORMING ARTS - SHOWS & WORKSHOPS

#### Southern Tutchone Dance and Song with the Dakwäkäda Dancers

Based in Haines Junction, the Dakwäkäda Dancers have been teaching young people in Southern Tutchone and Tlingit cultures through the tradition of song and dance for more than 25 years. This inclusive group of dancers ranging in age from 2 years to adult, keeps Southern Tutchone culture alive and vibrant by continuing to pass traditions down from generation to generation. The Dakwäkäda Dancers will open the festival on Friday afternoon.

#### **Music Games with Annie Avery**

Annie Avery and friends will be our Friday night dance band – wear your best to the fest for this great start to the weekend! Well known for her joyful and enthusiastic performances, Annie has been entertaining children around the Yukon for many years. Her two workshops will be full of music games centered around music and movement. Come play with Annie and sing, move and create. The key element is FUN, and enjoyment comes through rhythmic activity and creativity, as the social experience of singing and moving together is truly about community. Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Creativity and Play with Les Soeurs Kif-Kif – The Kif Kif Sisters from Montreal

Be sure to join us on Saturday night for our feature performance Jam Side Up! Flying bunnies, speeding French fries! The Kif-Kif Sisters mix surprising comedy and audience interaction with enough happiness to make vegetables explode! Inseparable since birth,



these twin sisters have been doing street performances all over the world for over a decade. A charming cocktail of funny theatre, circus, magic, puppetry and typical French craziness. Over the weekend, Josette and Françoise will present two Creativity and Play workshops. Enter a state of experimentation and pleasure, open new inner territories with simple creativity exercises and develop fun skills about theatre and comedy. Find comfort in front of others and shine with simply who you are and your imagination. This workshop will be bilingual English and French. Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Magic of Friends Forever Puppetry with Ken Bishop from Edmonton

Friends Forever Puppets will open our Saturday night show. Ken Bishop has performed thousands of shows over his decades of children's entertainment. His variety shows feature lively contemporary songs, fast action skills and dialogue. With a multitude of characters, you never know who you will meet -Reggi the MC of the show, Vulture the nervous vulture, or Boardie the magical and amazing whiteboard. What is sure, these puppets never fail to bring a smile to every face. Over the weekend, two Magic of Friends Forever Puppetry workshops will be offered. Learn how to make a puppet, or anything, come alive! Watch and learn how to manipulate a character and then take this knowledge with you and your own little character. Can a hat change your voice? Is a glove a glove? Is a banana a banana? It's alive! In this hands-on class, there will be some puppets that Ken will need a hand in operating. So much fun, so little time.

We are especially pleased to announce that Friends Forever Puppets will close the festival on Sunday with a 45 minute puppet show in the Grand Hall starting at 1:15 p.m. - a wonderful finale to our 2022 festival! AUGUSTO! SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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### VISUAL ARTS WORKSHOPS

#### Monster Puppets with Amber Church

Am I dreaming, or is that a monster? Put your imagination to work and create an original monster puppet. Amber Church will provide plenty of artistic experience, an array of materials and oodles of energy to help bring your wildest dream...or nightmare(?) to life. Is there a young Dr. Frankenstein in the house?

#### **Dream Journals with Amber Church**

Don't just let those daydreams float away, capture them forever in your very own dream diary. Create a personalized book to record your fantasies and imaginative ideas in. Amber will guide young dreamers through the process of assembling beautiful one of a kind journals, all ready to be filled with wonderful ideas and imaginings. Move over Leonardo da Vinci - the future is in new hands!

#### **Enchanted Forest Explorer's Kit** with Anie Desautels

Planning an excursion into the Enchanted Forest? You won't want to leave without your Enchanted Forest Explorer's Kit. Anie Desautels will help you prepare just what you need to navigate the Fairy woods in this creative and imaginative workshop. Magic wands, Gnome calling rattles and Pixie dust pouches will help prepare participants for their next trek through this magical realm. This workshop will be bilingual English and French.

#### Furry, Beady Ice Worms with Karrie Brown

Just imagine a world of snow and ice and worms. You can create your own furry pet Ice Worm to keep you company on any adventures you might have in winter or summer. Karrie Brown will use her superb traditional beading and sewing knowledge to help you make a wiggly companion to tuck in your pocket, tickle your arm or just enjoy petting.

#### **Bobbing Birds with Kim Henkel**

Once again Kim will share her love of creating with paper to make a delightful bobbing bird that can hang or twirl or bob alongside you wherever you go. These birds can also hang around nicely at home when you are out and about and not in need of a bobbing bird. Cut, paste and go! Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Poly People with Lara Melnik

"Fun, Whimsical, Dreamy!" That is how Lara Melnik describes Poly People. If you dream of playing with colour and have a passion for making little things, you will love this workshop. Lara will share her zest for life and huge experience creating with polymer clay to inspire your imagination and bring out your most playful artist and dreamer. Get those fingers warmed up and prepare to pinch, roll, poke and sculpt in miniature!

#### Mad Hatters with Megan Melanson

Have you been dreaming of a most fantastic hat ever since our last Augusto! festival? Or maybe your head has grown a few hat sizes since you filled it with so many great ideas! Then this is your chance to create a wacky and original ball cap to fit. Back by popular demand, Megan's Mad Hatter workshop provides hats, fabric and hot glue. All you need to bring is your imagination and a sense of fun in order to create your very own wearable art hat. Let the world know you are a dreamer or maybe as mad as a hatter! Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

### Vinyl Collage Magnets and Stickers with Meshell Melvin

Go wild with colour and create a fantastic magnet or sticker using lots of fun vinyl bits, then have fun brightening up all those crazy or special places where stickers and magnets go. This workshop promises to provide peals of laughter as Meshell uses her love of art and playful spirit to liven up everyone's imagination. Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Build a Wacky Creature with Meshell Melvin

From the bottom of toy boxes and utility drawers, something strange and new is about to appear. Meshell Melvin will provide inspiration, hot glue, and oodles of interesting bits and pieces for young artists to assemble their own strange medley of parts. The result... whatever wacky creature can be imagined. Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

#### **Cardboard Animals with Ted Tucker**

Our Yukon world is full of animals! So many people dream of making the journey to see what we live with. In this workshop, you can build your own version using cardboard, glue and paint. Make an animal you know, one you dream of seeing or one that could only appear in a fantasy. It is up to you, but Ted Tucker will share all of his illustration and design experience and provide all the materials you need, to bring your favorite animal into existence.



### OTHER WORKSHOPS

#### STEM Workshops with Andrew Marston

Do you dream of building robots and games – then this workshop is for you! Engineering whiz Andrew Marston will get young inventors and young minds firing on all cylinders with his magnetic personality and electric enthusiasm! For ages 5-7, build a Wiggle Bot – a jiggling robot using a scrub brush, a simple circuit with a battery, switch and motor and your imagination. For ages 8-12, design your own "steady hand" skill-testing game by bending wire with your own design and creating a basic circuit with a battery, switch, and buzzer. Ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

#### **Toddler Town**

For children 4 and under, Toddler Town will operate in the Arena Mezzanine from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sunday. Toddler Town is a mini festival in itself with a full schedule of short concerts, structured craft activities, colouring stations, storytelling corners and the amazing cardboard village to explore. Add a few snacks and lemonade, and the younger set will be totally entertained!

#### Sally Wright Silkscreen Art

Sally's brightly coloured silkscreen art is unique and her bright art and sunny smile have been a regular part of Yukon festivals for over 25 years. Need somewhere to rest your head and dream? Sally will join the festival again this year in the Convention Centre Foyer, where she will offer children the opportunity to silk screen their very own hand sewn cotton pillowcase. Sally will be onsite throughout the day Saturday and half day Sunday for this drop in art activity!

> WATCH OUT FOR SPECIAL VISITORS DURING THE LUNCH BREAK ON SATURDAY!

#### **Face Painting**

Make sure to look your best at the fest! Face painting will be ongoing in the Convention Centre Foyer Saturday daytime 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Sunday daytime 10:00 – 1:00 p.m.

#### Kid's Cafe

There will be a nut free Kids' Café operating in the Atrium Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with space for parents and kids to eat healthy snacks and lunch, grab a drink and relax. And remember - weekend passes for ages 5 - 12include a \$5.00 credit at the Kid's Café so be sure to check it out!





## TODDLER TOWN ACTIVITIES FUN FOR 4 AND UNDER!\*

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY				
10:00 AM	Storybook Co	orner	Storybook Corner				
10:30 AM	Performance	Friends Forever Puppets	Performance: The Kif-Kif Sisters				
11:00 AM	Craft Activity		Craft Activity				
11:30 AM	Performance	: The Kif-Kif Sisters	Performance: Annie Avery				
12:00 PM	Craft Activity		Craft Activity				
12:30 PM	Lunch and pl	ay break	Lunch and play break				
1:00 PM	Lunch and pl	ay break	Friends Forever Puppets Show in the Grand Hall 1:15-2:00				
1:30 PM	Craft Activity						
2:00 PM	Performance	: Annie Avery	Other Activities: All sorts of extra activities are open to Toddler Town participants! Try going over to the Convention Centre while workshops are in session to avoid line-ups. Plus:				
2:30 PM	Craft Activity						
3:00 PM	Free Play						
3:30 PM	Performance	: Friends Forever Puppets					
4:00 PM	Craft Activity		Face-Painting, Drop-in Art & Kids Cafe- Saturday and Sunday in the Convention Centre				
4:30 PM	Clean-up and	I Closing	foyer				
		Snacks Provided!	Playground- Need to run and jump? Check o the playground behind the Convention Centre * Bring your own grown-up. Schedule may be subject to change but only to become <i>more</i>				



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