

# TARRAGON THEATRE

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**A 50% INCREASE HAS BEEN MADE TO THE URJO KAREDA RESIDENCY GRANT FOR AN EMERGING ARTIST; THIS \$15,000 PRIZE, FUNDED BY THE YOUSSEF-WARREN FOUNDATION, IS TO BE AWARDED BY TARRAGON THEATRE**

This \$15,000 grant is made possible by an annual donation from the **Youssef-Warren Foundation** and allows the successful applicant to spend up to 20 weeks at the **Tarragon Theatre**, working on a self-created program in collaboration with an artist or artists in the applicant's chosen field of interest.

The grant is geared toward an emerging professional theatre artist, whether it is in the field of playwriting, dramaturgy, direction, design or the technical arts. The residency period will occur between August 2011 and June 2012. The grant will be adjudicated by a committee consisting of senior theatre artists and a representative of the Foundation.

In the context of the theatre award, "emerging artist" is defined as an artist of any age who has spent no fewer than two years and no more than five in his/her chosen field (after training, if applicable), and who has demonstrated a strong interest in and potential for working in theatre. The applicant must have created, or participated in, at least one artistic work that has been presented, produced, or published. **The applicant must become resident in the Greater Toronto Area for the duration of the proposed program. The significant increase in this award is directly associated with the desire to make the residency attractive to all emerging artists across Canada and to help alleviate some of the costs incurred with relocation.** Applications are encouraged from artists of diverse cultures and artists working on non-traditional forms of theatre. The adjudicating committee will be most interested in the individual specifics of each application.

All applications must be received at Tarragon – by mail, courier, or in person (no faxes or e-mails) – by **Friday, January 28, 2011**.

**The Urjo Kareda Residency Grant for an Emerging Theatre Artist** will be announced on (or before) **April 15, 2011**.

For further information about the award and application procedures contact **Andrew Lamb**, Director of Education and Outreach, **416.536.5018 x229** or email [andrew@tarragontheatre.com](mailto:andrew@tarragontheatre.com).

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