# Scotiabank Arena

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# SCOTIABANK ARENA OPEN CALL TO VISUAL ARTISTS



**TORONTO, ON** – Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment (MLSE) has launched a call to artists to source and acquire art and photography for Scotiabank Arena. In collaboration with <u>Sports & The Arts</u> (SATA), MLSE seeks to design a one-of-akind museum quality art collection inside of Scotiabank Arena created by local, regional and national artists, showcasing sport, music, and history that tells the story of the rich diversity of Canada.

Artists and muralists of all levels and experience and from all backgrounds and cultures interested, may submit an application package (details listed below) for review. Selected artists will be directly notified and commissioned for specific works commencing this winter of 2023. All artists will be paid for their work in addition to promotional activities and events to be determined.

## **MEDIUMS FOR SUBMISSION:**

- Paintings (oils, acrylic, watercolor and mixed media)
- Sketches/Drawings (pen and ink, charcoal and pastels)
- Mixed Media (found objects, digital, assemblage and collage)
- Sculptures
- Murals
- Digital Art/Graphic Arts
- Photography

## **TIMELINE:**

- January 10, 2023 Artist Submissions Open
- February 5, 2023 Deadline for Submissions
- Artists to be contacted upon further interest for selection

#### **SUBMISSION PROCESS:**

- Visit <u>www.ScotiabankArena.com/CallForArtists</u> and complete online application form no later than February 5, 2023.
- Application should include:
  - A short biography
  - Sample images of artistic pieces indicative of the style of work
  - Any other relevant information you wish to share
- Submission attachments listed above must be in PDF format and must be no larger than 5MB.
- Submissions must contain no more than 8 (eight) visual samples of past pieces.

Questions or request for assistance in the application process can be directed to Sports & The Arts (SATA) directly at <a href="mailto:info@sportart.net">info@sportart.net</a>.

We welcome all artists to apply and strongly encourage local participation within the Greater Toronto Area, regional within Ontario or national within Canada that have a passion for sports and music to take part in this program.

Thank you.

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#### About Scotiabank Arena

Scotiabank Arena is Canada's premier sports and entertainment venue and home to the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs Hockey Club and the NBA's Toronto Raptors Basketball Club. Owned and operated by MLSE, Scotiabank Arena opened its doors in February 1999 and has been recognized with more than 50 industry awards highlighting the venue's security, accessibility, fan service, environmental commitment, food and beverage, marketing, design, partnerships, live entertainment, sales and box office service. Scotiabank Arena is often ranked the #1 Canadian arena, is within the top 10 in the world for live event ticket sales and has also hosted over 90 million fans at over 2,600 events including multiple NHL and NBA playoff runs, hub city for the Eastern Conference teams during the return of the 2020 NHL season, 2019 WWE SummerSlam, 2017 Invictus Games, the 2016 NHL World Cup of Hockey, 2016 NBA All-Star Weekend, 2015 IIHF World U20 Championship and 2000 NHL All-Star Game. Scotiabank Arena's external space has also become a Toronto entertainment destination with the installation of the Leafs Legends Row, bronzed statues honouring the hockey club's greatest players, the gathering of thousands of Raptors fans in Maple Leaf Square for each of the team's postseason games and other significant international events.