

Hosted by the Economic & Creative Development Department, City of Barrie



### **Event Details**

- Tuesday, November 14 @ MacLaren Art Centre
- Gala event honouring artists, arts organizations and arts supporters in six categories:
  - Contribution to the Community
  - Emerging Artist
  - Business Champion
  - Most Promising Youth
  - Excellence in the Arts
  - Artist Beyond Barriers
- Featuring performances by local, regional and national artists
- Sponsored by several local businesses



## Purpose

- Vision shine a spotlight on the talent that exists in Barrie; celebrate the sector
- Goals:
  - Increase relationships with business community
  - Elevate the event arts venue, theme, performances, presentations
  - Increase quantity and quality of nominations
  - Celebrate the diversity in the arts community



#### **Artist Beyond Barriers Award**

- This award goes to an artist who has demonstrated creative originality through a body of work despite living with a continuous or recurrent mental or physical disability that results in a substantial restriction in their ability to work, care for themselves, or take part in community life
- Initiated by Accessibility Advisory Committee in 2017
- Sponsorship of award continued in 2018, 2019, 2022
- \$2000 commitment covers cost of award statuette and cash honorarium to winner



# How you can help

- Consider sponsoring the Artist Beyond Barriers award this year
- Provide insight on making the gala accessible and agefriendly, if possible
- If you choose to sponsor the award, have a representative or two attend the gala to present the statuette to the winner



# Thank you! Questions?