



April 2011

Dear Busker,

Winter is almost a memory and spring is just around the corner, it's time again for the annual Scotiabank Buskers Festival. This is a two day event, **MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> & MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>** and will take place **on a stage located in Centre Court inside The Forks Market.**

Every potential Busker will be given 5 minutes to razzle and dazzle the audience and judges with their performance, all auditions will be performed un-amplified.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION for Musical Auditions:**

- Any potential busker who would like to audition with an **INSTRUMENT** or **VOICE** will need to provide 2 different 30 minute set lists
- The judges will then select the audition songs from the provided set lists.

**Interested in auditioning?**

Scotiabank Buskers Festival Audition dates are **Friday, MAY 6th from 1:00PM – 4:00PM & 6:00PM – 9:00PM and Saturday, MAY 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM and 4:00PM.**

**Call Dorothy – at 291-9193** to book your audition time **before 4:00PM, Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Audition Day**

On the day of your audition please arrive **30 minutes prior to your scheduled audition time**, report to the promo area in Centre Court of The Forks Market. It is important to arrive early to allow for parking and scheduling deviations. If you miss your audition time, you will **not** be rescheduled.

**On the day of your audition, you must bring:**

- **Completed audition form**
- **\$10.00 audition fee (GST Included)**
- **Musical auditions must provide 2 different 30 minute set lists**
- **Signed 2011/2012 Scotiabank Busk Stop Program Policy Form**

**FEES**

Performers who have been accepted into the Scotiabank Busk Stop Program will be expected to pay for their license on their audition day, when their license is issued. Not everyone who auditions will qualify for a license.

**Basic: \$40.00 (GST Included)**

**Advanced if selling pre-authorized merchandise (CD's, etc.): \$60.00 (GST included)**

**Payment Options: Interact/Visa/Master Card and Cash (NO CHEQUES ACCEPTED)**

The 2011/2012 Scotiabank Busker directory database is available upon request for the public, corporations, event and festival planners. Complimentary inclusion in the directory database provides you with additional opportunities to be hired for events outside of The Forks.



**Deadline Monday May 2nd, 2011 at 4pm**

**APPLICATION (Filled out by all buskers, returning and new)**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & FILL OUT COMPLETELY**

Group/ Act \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Members \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the category that best applies to your act:

Vocal      Instrumental      Vocal/Instrumental      Variety      Artist  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Performance Language: English      French      Other \_\_\_\_\_

What is your act? (What instrument do you play? What do you draw? What do you juggle?)  
 Please describe 20 words or less.

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*Note: Audition scheduling is at the discretion of the organizers.*

**Non-refundable Audition Fee: \$10.00 (GST Included)**

**PAYMENT OPTIONS: CASH / VISA / MASTERCARD / INTERACT (CHEQUES NOT ACCEPTED)**

**Basic Annual License Fee: \$40.00 (GST Included)**

**Advanced Annual License Fee (if selling pre-authorized merchandise): \$60.00 (GST Included)**

**ALL FEES TO BE PAID UPON RECEIVING LICENSE**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (If applicant is under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Customer privacy is a high priority at The Forks Renewal Corporation as we have always maintained a policy of protecting our customers' personal information. Personal information shall not be used or disclosed for purposes other than those for which it was collected, except with the consent of the customer, or as required by law.



## **BUSKER'S RULES & REGULATIONS**

1. Valid Scotiabank Busk Pass must be displayed and visible during all performances. No pass no performance.
2. Performances are permitted at designated Scotiabank Busk Stops only. Absolutely NO performances will take place under the Canopy, Historical Port or other locations on site or in The Forks Market that are not designated Scotiabank Busk Stop areas.
3. Forks Management & Security retains the right to relocate remove or close Scotiabank Busk Stops at their discretion. Scheduled events & programming have priority over busker performances and Scotiabank Busk Stops may not always note a closure for these programs.
4. The maximum single performance may not exceed 30 minutes, 2 performances per Scotiabank Busk Stop per day (non-consecutive), and no busker shall exceed 6 performances in a given calendar day.
5. No amplification will be permitted for busker performances (indoors or outside).
6. Performance appreciation is at the discretion of the audience, no solicitations, and no INTERCEPTIONS.
7. All musical acts are required to maintain a repertoire of 2 – 30 minute sets (60 minutes of various pieces).
8. Buskers are ambassadors of The Forks. Appropriate behavior and attire are expected at all times.
9. Smoking is not permitted at Scotiabank Busk Stops.
10. The Scotiabank Busk Pass is non-transferrable. Transferring of Scotiabank Busk Pass will result in immediate termination.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE RULES & REGULATIONS  
WILL RESULT IN SUSPENSION AND/OR TERMINATION FROM THE  
BUSKERS PROGRAM.**

## HOW TO APPLY

- 1) Call to set up audition time – **Dorothy 291- 9193**
- 2) Show up for audition with application fee \$10.00 (Cash, Debit, Visa, MasterCard accepted).
  - a. The application **deadline is Monday, May 2nd, 2011 by 4pm.** All applications received after that date will not be accepted.
  - b. Alternate audition date will be scheduled for the middle of July.

## REGISTRATION & LICENSING

- 1) All existing and new buskers must successfully complete an audition held in The Forks Market, **MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> and 7<sup>TH</sup>**, 2011.
  - 2) Applications submitted by performers under the age of 18 must have the signature of a parent or guardian.
  - 3) All performances must be of a content and quality suitable for family viewing. Acts deemed vulgar, in poor taste or offensive are strictly prohibited.
  - 4) **NO AMPLIFIED PERFORMANCES ALLOWED ON SITE. INDOOR OR OUTDOOR!**
  - 5) Approval for the selling of works of art such as CDs or DVDs must be requested on the audition application and an additional fee of \$20 will be charged.
  - 6) Successful audition candidates will be issued a Busk pass license.
  - 7) Based on performance at auditions, Buskers will be granted either a
    - a) Tier A license (performers are allowed to perform inside The Forks Market and outdoors on The Forks Site)  
**BACKGROUND MUSIC ONLY INSIDE THE MARKET**  
-OR-
    - b) Tier B license (performers will be limited to outdoors on The Forks Site)
  - 8) Performance season runs from date of audition and acceptance till JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012
  - 9) Busk pass must be displayed clearly during all performances. **NO Scotiabank Busk Pass means NO performance.**
- \*\*Passes are NON-TRANSFERRABLE.**

## PERFORMANCES

- 1) Acts must be of similar quality and content as that of the audition.
- 2) All musicians must maintain a repertoire equivalent to 2-30 minute sets of different material.
- 3) Performances are permitted at designated Busk Stops only.
- 4) Management retains the right to relocate/remove or close Busk Stops at their discretion. Scheduled events and programs have priority over busker performances.
- 5) Outdoor performances must not exceed six sets per calendar day.
- 6) Each set must not exceed 30 minutes including setup and take down time.
- 7) Maximum 2 performances per busk stop per day.
- 8) No consecutive performances allowed at any individual busk stop
- 9) Performance appreciation is at the discretion of the audience. (no solicitation, signage or interception)
- 10) Buskers are ambassadors of The Forks, appropriate attire and professional conduct is expected at all times.
- 11) Having a Busk pass is a privilege. A busk pass may be revoked at any time at the discretion of The Forks management.
- 12) Smoking is not permitted at any Scotiabank Busk Stops.

## SCOTIABANK BUSK STOP FEES

Fees are set annually, this year the fees are:

\$10.00 Audition Fee (GST included) – payable before auditioning

\$40.00 Annual License Fee (GST included)

\$60.00 Annual License Fee (GST included) if selling preauthorized merchandise.

## LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

The Forks Renewal Corporation (FRC) shall not be responsible for any damage to or loss of any equipment, chattels or property of the User. The User agrees to assume all risks, and to release, indemnify, and save harmless FRC, its affiliated organizations, and its employees and representatives, from any injury, loss or damage that may arise from the User operations outlined above, to the User or Others of the Public, who may otherwise be covered by insurance.

I confirm that I have read and understand all the above Terms and Conditions and hereby agree to be bound by them.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Busker or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization to disclose contact name and number for the Busker Data Base: \_\_\_\_\_