

Welcome to the 2026-2027 Travelling Exhibitions Northwest Program! Below you'll find some quick, helpful descriptions of what the program is, and why it could work for your school!

WHAT is the Travelling Exhibitions (TREX) Program?

The Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA) has supported a provincial travelling exhibitions (TREX) program since 1981 to provide as many communities as possible across Alberta with the opportunity to see high calibre visual art exhibitions. Exhibition themes are varied to suit every audience, with historic and contemporary artwork in a wide range of media. Each exhibition comes with an educator's guide that provides exhibition details, curriculum connections, creative lesson plans, and relevant historical information. Exhibitions are designed for ease of handling and may be displayed in different ways depending on the type and amount of space available.

WHO is TREX for?

TREX partners with community venues including schools, libraries, theaters, archives, museums, community centres, tourism centres, hospitals and health centres. For a list of some of our previous venue partners, see the reverse side of this page. TREX shows are designed to be adapted to different spaces, and to be incorporated into school programming and lesson plans easily.



Student viewing work from *Bring a folding chair...* at St. Mary's School, Sexsmith.

WHY book TREX programs?

A large goal of the TREX program is to deliver engaging art experiences directly into communities with minimal cost to the venues. The potential benefits of art education for children and youth are immense and include things like improved spatial reasoning, creative problem solving, and deepened motivation; as well as enriched opportunities to explore new social perspectives, and inter-cultural dialogues. The educator's guides that come with each exhibition help to integrate TREX programs into the curriculum, and include creative activities for a wide variety of ages and grades. See statements from our previous venue on the reverse side.

HOW do bookings work?

The TREX program covers almost all costs associated with the exhibitions, including shipping and insurance. There is only a 75\$ administrative fee for each month-long exhibition booking. This year we have 14 diverse exhibitions to choose from, which can be found in the 2026-2027 TREX NW booking catalogue. To book an exhibit, simply fill in the request form located at AGGP.CA and email it to Curator/Manager Jamie-Lee Cormier at jamie-lee@aggp.ca



Artist Programming with Elsa Robinson at St. Catherine School, Grande Prairie

Statistics and Further Details on TRES Northwest

Some of TRES NW Previous Venues Include:

Alexander Forbes School, Grande Prairie; Avondale School, Grande Prairie; Charles Spencer School, Grande Prairie; Hillside Jr/Sr High School, Valleyview; Isabel Campbell School, Grande Prairie; I.V. Macklin School, Grande Prairie; La Crete School, La Crete; Manning Elementary, Manning; Maude Clifford School, Grande Prairie; Paul Rowe Jr/Sr High School, Manning; Robert W. Zahara School, Sexsmith; St. Andrew's School, High Prairie; St. Catherine School, Grande Prairie; St. John Paul II High School, Grande Prairie; St. Kateri School, Grande Prairie; Ste. Marie School, Spirit River; St. Mary's School, Sexsmith; St. Patrick School, Grande Prairie.

TRES programs are viewed by over 500,000 people annually across the province.

Venue Statements:

"We really enjoyed this exhibit. The pictures were awesome and anyone who came into our school thought the artist did an amazing job capturing winter scenes. Truly an great exhibit. Thank you!" (About TRES Now is Winter, 2022/2023)

"Everyone in our building had really positive comments about the exhibit. They loved the brightness that it brought to the hallway and the new perspective for students to learn from." (About TRES Bring a folding chair... 2022/2023)

"This exhibition was amazing! Our students enjoyed the photos and the scavenger hunt. Some of our classes completes the response to art activities! Thank you!" (About TRES Mysterious Forest Life 2024/2025)