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# YUKON FILM & SOUND COMMISSION



## SERVICES

A great deal of thought goes into planning your film. You need proper facilities, convenient access and above all outstanding locations.

The Yukon is that place, a land that radiates adventure and freedom, where the midnight sun dances on pristine lakes and majestic mountains reach the shimmering northern lights.

This is where nature, history and the contemporary world entwine. Whether you need modern facilities or rustic cabins, you'll find them here – all in a landscape of picturesque communities nestled into the vast wilderness.

In summer, we enjoy near 24-hour daylight, creating the lasting magic hour, and during our winter, you'll find those reliable snow conditions so sought after by filmmakers.

The Yukon has the talent, experience, equipment and locations to support your production. You can rely on a wide range of film industry professionals, businesses and suppliers to get your job done.

The Yukon Film & Sound Commission is here to help. Our staff of hard working, dedicated professionals will help you with:

### SCRIPT BREAKDOWN

Our staff will break down your script and provide you with digital images of locations that will work financially and creatively for your production.

### LOCATION SCOUTING

Want to come and see Yukon for yourself? The Yukon Film & Sound Commission would love to talk to you about hosting the Yukon portion of your scouting trip.

### SUPPORT

Our staff are happy to assist you with production research and information, location expertise, and assistance with other support and technical services. We want to make your filming experience in the Yukon the best ever!

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## STAFF

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The Film & Sound Commissioner is responsible for developing, leading, directing, and evaluating the development and provision of Yukon film and sound programs and services on behalf of the Yukon government.

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## YUKON FILM INCENTIVE PROGRAM

**CANADA'S YUKON IS KNOWN AS A FILM-FRIENDLY REGION, AND WE'RE WILLING TO PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS AS WE INVITE YOUR PRODUCTION TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE YUKON'S SPECTACULAR LOCATIONS.**

We are offering these financial incentives to eligible productions:

### 1. FILM LOCATION INCENTIVE:

- ▲ The Film Location Incentive encourages production companies from outside Yukon to film in Yukon and hire and train Yukoners. There are three components to this incentive program.

#### Travel Rebate

- ▲ Commercial and documentary productions are eligible for 50% of travel costs to a maximum of \$10,000 or 10% of all Yukon expenditures, whichever is the lesser.

- ▲ Television programs, television movies (Movie of the Week), and feature film productions are eligible for 50% of travel costs to a maximum of \$15,000 or 15% of Yukon expenditures not assisted under any other portion of the Yukon Film Incentive Program, whichever is the lesser.

#### Labour Rebate

- ▲ Television programs, television movies (Movie of the Week), documentaries, and feature films (but not commercials) are eligible for a rebate of up to 35% of wages paid for eligible Yukon labour, provided criteria are met.

#### Training Program

- ▲ As with the labour rebate, the production is eligible for a rebate of up to 35% of wages paid to individuals providing on-set training (techniques and equipment) to eligible Yukon labour.

### 2. FILM TRAINING INITIATIVE:

Up to \$3,000/person/year is available to Yukon residents training for a career in film. Applicants must have demonstrated a commitment to a career in this field (such as significant recent course work and/or work experience).

### 3. YUKON FILMMAKERS FUND:

Up to \$5,000/applicant is available to Yukon resident film and video professionals to assist them in developing viable careers and businesses making films and videos for broadcast or commercial release. Two intakes per year – June 1 and December 1.

### 4. FILM DEVELOPMENT FUND:

- ▲ Up to 50% of the actual Yukon expenditures to a maximum of \$35,000 or 33% of total project expenses (whichever is the lesser) can be available to Yukon residents or Yukon corporations to assist with the costs of development of film projects in Yukon. The applicant is required to have market place support in the form of either a broadcast development agreement, or a distribution arrangement.
- ▲ An additional \$10,000 may be available to an applicant if the broadcaster/distributor requires more senior personnel not available in Yukon to be attached to the project.

### 5. FILM PRODUCTION FUND:

- ▲ Up to \$500,000/project is available to Yukon corporations who financially and creatively control projects to assist with the costs of producing a film in Yukon.

The applicant is required to have marketplace support in the form of a broadcast license which is a commitment by a licensed broadcaster to participate financially in the production of the project, or a distribution arrangement.

- ▲ For productions solely controlled by a Yukon resident or corporation, the contributions will be based on 30% of Yukon expenditures or 30% of total production costs whichever is the lesser.
- ▲ For co-productions the contribution will be based on 30% of Yukon expenditures or 20% of total production costs whichever is lesser.

The Production Company must be **PRE-APPROVED** based on anticipated production arrangements. Application forms are available on our website at [www.reelyukon.com](http://www.reelyukon.com).

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## YUKON SOUND RECORDING PROGRAM

**THE YUKON SOUND RECORDING PROGRAM WAS PUT IN PLACE TO SUPPORT THE YUKON RECORDING INDUSTRY,** to further develop the cultural industries sector, and to encourage a business focus among those in the Yukon music industry. This program assists Yukon sound recording professionals in developing viable careers and businesses.

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- ▲ **THE APPLICANT MUST** be a Yukon resident or a Yukon business.
- ▲ **THE APPLICANT MAY BE:**
  - ▲ A Yukon sound recording artist,
  - ▲ Owner of a Yukon sound recording studio,
  - ▲ Owner of a Yukon sound recording label.
- ▲ **FOR ARTIST APPLICATIONS,** for duos or groups, a minimum 50% must meet the above Yukon residency requirements.
- ▲ **FOR STUDIO AND LABEL APPLICATIONS,** consideration will be given to projects involving non-Yukon artists if the project can demonstrate benefits to the development of the Yukon sound recording industry.
- ▲ **THERE ARE TWO INTAKES PER YEAR:** May 1 and Nov 1

There are two components to the Sound Recording Program:

- ▲ **PROFESSIONAL DEMO RECORDING**
- ▲ **UP TO \$2,000** for producing a CD with a minimum of 2 tracks or 5 minutes.
- ▲ **PROFESSIONAL SOUND RECORDING**
- ▲ **UP TO \$5,000** for producing a CD with a minimum of 6 tracks or 20 minutes.

## CANADIAN FILM OR VIDEO PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT (CPTC)

The objective of the CPTC is to encourage Canadian programming and to develop an active domestic production sector. This fully refundable credit is available at the rate of 25% of the **qualified labour expenditure (QLE)** of an eligible production.

CPTC Guidelines and Application Forms are available to enable producers to apply for a Canadian film or video production certificate (Part A) and a Certificate of Completion (Part B). The relevant sections of the Income Tax Act and Regulations take precedence over these Guidelines. Certification is required to claim the tax credit.

## FILM OR VIDEO PRODUCTION SERVICES TAX CREDIT (PSTC)

The PSTC is designed to enhance Canada as a location of choice for film and video productions employing talented Canadians as well as strengthen the industry and secure investment. The PSTC is available as a percentage of qualified Canadian labour expenditures.

PSTC Guidelines and Application Forms are available to assist applicants in obtaining an accredited film or video production certificate (Accreditation Certificate). The Draft Amendments concerning the Film or Video Production Services Tax Credit take precedence over these Guidelines.

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#### CPTC CANADIAN PRODUCTION TAX SERVICES

[www.pch.gc.ca/cavco](http://www.pch.gc.ca/cavco)

#### PSTC PRODUCTION SERVICE TAX CREDIT

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## GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST)

The Yukon does NOT have a provincial sales tax, however all of Canada has the **Goods and Services Tax (GST)**.

GST is a federal tax that applies at a rate of 6% to most goods and services bought in Canada. GST is charged by the supplier and is refundable from the Canada Revenue Agency.

Producers need to register for a GST number in order to receive a refund of the GST they

have paid to their suppliers. Your GST return should be filed monthly to obtain your refund on a timely basis.

GST on meals and entertainment may be refundable on 50% of your purchases. This applies to catering.

For further information, contact the Film Services Unit of the CRA

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