

A PLACE FOR ALL YOUR TOMORROWS... *Today!*

Forrest Nickerson - Cultural Horizons Spring /Summer 1975

An aerial photograph of a coastal retreat. In the foreground, a cluster of white buildings with grey roofs is situated on a grassy hillside. The buildings include a large central structure, a smaller wing to the left, and a detached building to the right. The hillside is dotted with evergreen trees. In the background, a dense forest of evergreens stretches to the edge of a blue ocean under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds.

DEAF CULTURE RETREAT - Grande-Digue, New Brunswick

A project of the Canadian Cultural Society of the Deaf

Land Acknowledgement

Grande-Digue, New Brunswick territory covered by the “Treaties of Peace and Friendship” which these nations first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources, but in fact recognized Mi’kmaq and Wabanaki titles and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

We, the staff and members of the board, pay respect to the elders, past and present, and descendants of this land.

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CCSD'S FOUNDER: *Forrest Nickerson*

“ The talents of deaf people in this country have been hidden from [the] world for too long. ”

~ Forrest Nickerson



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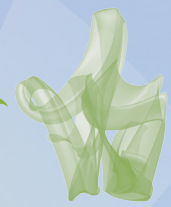
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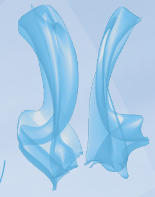
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fresh



inspire



diverse



preserve



In 2006, CCSD Past President, Helen Pizzacalla described the DEAF CULTURE CENTRE as a ***“lighthouse that will draw people to celebrate Deaf life from around the world.”*** The DEAF CULTURE CENTRE features the visual and performing arts of our Canadian Deaf community.

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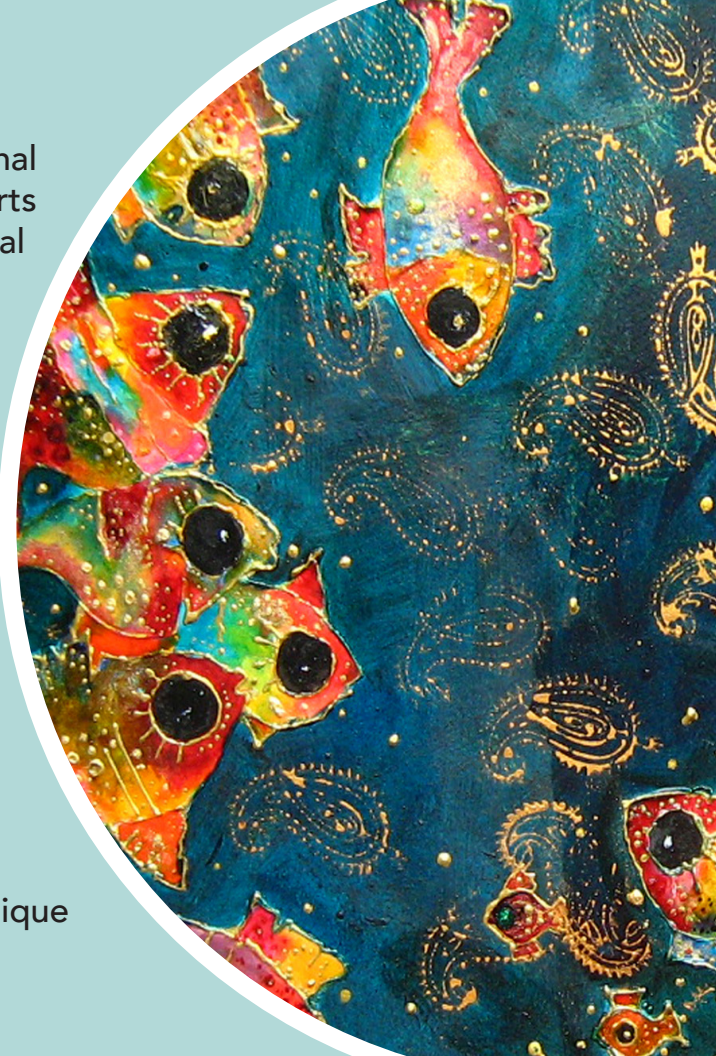
Our Retreat A PLACE TO COLLABORATE, CREATE, CONNECT AND GROW!



In 2024, CCSD acquired a 4-acre retreat venue in Grande-Digue, New Brunswick to serve as the national headquarters for CCSD and the home of the Deaf Arts Academy, training the next generation of professional Deaf visual and performing artists.

The Retreat Centre at Grande-Digue provides:

- Trainings, workshops & presentations for emerging artists, professional artists, sign language instructors and more e.g. culture sector interpreters (in theatres, museums and art galleries)
- Retreats
- Youth Arts Leadership Camps
- Deaf Arts Academy
- A natural creative space for Deaf visual and performing artists and arts professionals to build capacity, evolving together and solidifying our unique and vital place in the arts ecosystem.





HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT US?

INVEST IN OUR FUTURE!

Every dollar you give today multiplies to increase the strengths of our next generations of Deaf performing and visual artists for decades to come. Imagine your impact over the years! Grande-Digue is our new Lighthouse shining light into our future for as far as our dreams can take us and our eyes can see!

You provide the **LIGHT** shining into the future!

Your support to the Canadian Cultural Society of the Deaf (CCSD), the DEAF CULTURE CENTRE and our new Grande-Digue Retreat Centre is vital. You are crucial to the evolution and vibrance of our Canadian Deaf community! Every donation, big or small, makes an important difference. You make an important difference.

* GOAL

Raise \$2 million to improve the Retreat Centre safe space at Grande-Digue for the Deaf community and other communities, including the Deaf Arts Academy and other training programs.

Donate: Contribute to our \$2 million campaign for our Grande-Digue Retreat by making a one-time or recurring donation such as Planned Giving, becoming a Monthly Donor or an Annual Donor

- Cash, e-transfer, Credit Card, cheque, Money Order,
- CanadaHelps at deaf-culture-centre | CharityProfile | Donate Online (canadahelps.org)
- CCSD's page <https://deafculturecentre.ca/donate/>

Spread the Word: Share our campaign with your network, using social media hashtags #YourTomorrowsCCSD

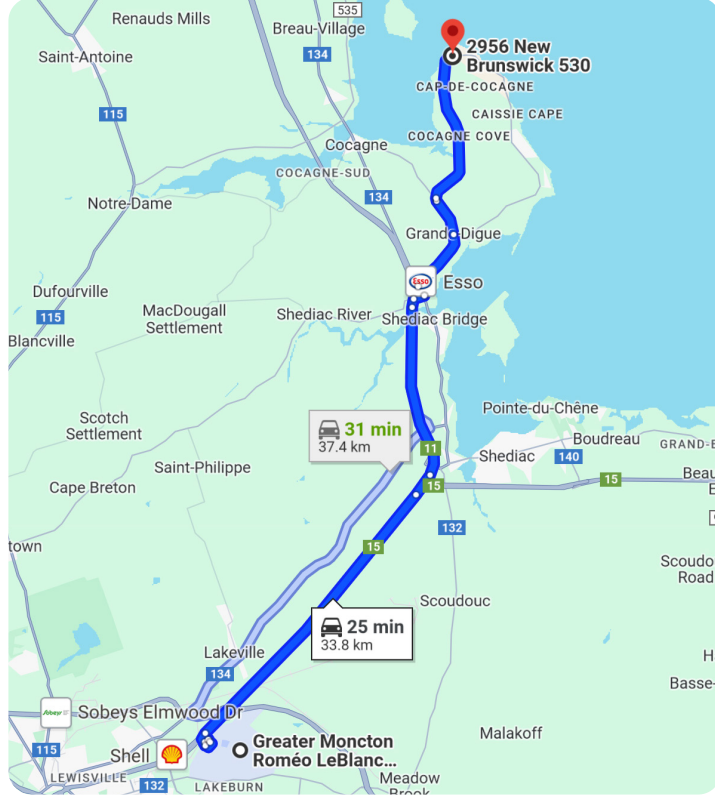
Give to the Scholarship Fund: Scholarships for artists training and development. The Forrest Nickerson Endowment has been set up with the Toronto Arts Foundation for Deaf artists scholarships.

Volunteer: Join our team of volunteers to help with events, fundraising, and program development.

Become a Sponsor: Partner with us as a sponsor to support specific programs or events.

If you are interested to donate and/or have questions -
please contact **Jill Fage** at donations@deafculturecentre.ca
Leanne Gallant, National Executive Director at lgallant@deafculturecentre.ca

*Together, let's create a beautiful natural space for Deaf
community collaboration, creation, connection and growth!*



The Grande-Digue Retreat is situated on 4 acres of land overlooking the Atlantic Ocean coastline, with wood built community gathering spaces, a kitchen, dining room and rooms for sleeping that are all conducive to a charming retreat centre. There are restaurants, trails, beaches, museums nearby and it is located just 30 minutes drive from the Moncton Airport.

Notes:



Donate today:



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