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Submissions Now Open for Gil Cardinal Legacy Fund



November 15, 2018, EDMONTON - \$2,500 grant to be bestowed in award-winning filmmaker's memory

Launched in 2016, the **Gil Cardinal Legacy Fund** is awarded each year to an emerging Indigenous filmmaker toward the preparation of a professional demo or 'sizzle reel' to help a project in development. In addition to his groundbreaking work as a writer and director, including the 1987 NFB documentary *Foster Child* and the television series *Blackstone*, Gil personally took part in outlining the criteria for this award before his passing in 2015. A Gemini winner and David Billington Award recipient, Gil Cardinal often tackled intensely personal subjects, a quality shared by previous fund recipients Heather Hatch (2016) and Daniel Foreman (2017).

A grant valued at \$2,500 will be awarded to a filmmaker developing a feature film, short film, documentary, web, mobile or television project. To be eligible, an applicant for the fund must be an emerging Indigenous producer or director who has resided in Alberta for the past two years. The submission deadline is December 14, 2018, and decisions will be announced in February, 2019. Application guidelines are available at this link.

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