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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Ontario Trillium Foundation funds the Actors Theatre of Windsor**

**Windsor, ON** - The Actors Theatre of Windsor (ATW) is proud to announce that it is the recipient of a \$112,500 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF). The funding, awarded over a three-year period, will enhance the capacity of the ATW through the employment of a full-time Artistic Director, and will help the Theatre continue to enrich the lives of residents in Windsor-Essex through the development of professional theatre and theatre education. Sandra Pupatello, MPP for Windsor West, joined OTF representative Angelo Minato in congratulating the Actors Theatre of Windsor today at a media conference held at The Capitol Theatre.

"A strong local arts and culture sector is essential to a vibrant community," said Sandra Pupatello, MPP for Windsor West. "By supporting the Actors Theatre of Windsor, we're ensuring that our community continues to enjoy professional theatre and community outreach programs while benefiting from direct tourism and economic investment."

"We are extremely grateful to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for helping us to further develop professional theatre in Windsor," said Mona el Baroudi, ATW Producer and Co-founder. "The OTF funding presents us with numerous opportunities to grow our community outreach programming, foster and nurture our cultural life, and introduce Windsor and area residents to new mediums of artistic expression."

The Ontario Trillium Foundation is an agency of the Government of Ontario. The Foundation supports the growth and vitality of communities across the province. It continues to strengthen the capacity of the volunteer sector through investments in community-based initiatives, and allocates grants to eligible charitable and not-for-profit organizations in the arts and culture, environment, human and social services, and sports and recreation sectors. For more information, please visit [www.trilliumfoundation.org](http://www.trilliumfoundation.org).

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