Minute No. 214
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services – January 13, 2014

Item No. 2 Community Incentive Grant – Chai Folk Arts Council Inc. (Charleswood-Tuxedo Ward)

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and adopted the following:

1. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program be waived in this instance, namely:

   A. The project is available for public use or will enhance public use of the space or facility.

2. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $10,000.00, funded from the River Heights-Fort Garry Ward allocation, be approved to the Chai Folk Arts Council Inc. to assist with the cost of the 50th Anniversary project, subject to the following conditions:

   A. Confirmation of other funding sources;

   B. Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director of Community Services; and

   C. The applicant entering into a formal agreement with The City of Winnipeg.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 22, 2014, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 13, 2014, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services Community concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee to Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 10, 2013, the City Centre Community Committee did not concur in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **Community Incentive Grant –** Chai Folk Arts Council Inc.

Critical Path: City Center Community Committee

AUTHORIZATION

Author	Department Head	CFO	CAO
M. Kowal	C. Wightman		

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Community Services Department recommends that the Community Incentive Grant Program (C.I.G.P.) application from Chai Folk Arts Council Inc., for 50th Anniversary, in the amount of $10,000, be denied.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Public Service review of Community Incentive Grant proponent applications is required.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Community Incentive Grant Program is funded under the Annual Capital Budget.

Project Name: 50th Anniversary
Amount Requested: $10,000
Total Project Cost: $33,500

Note - this project ***does not*** meet the following CIGP criteria:

- The project is available for public use or will enhance public use of the space or facility.

HISTORY

Please refer to the attachments.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement **Date:** November 15, 2013

Project Name: 50th Anniversary **First Year of Program** **2013**

Community Incentive Grant

Name of Organization: Chai Folk Arts Council Inc.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required	$ 10,000	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs	10,000	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Debt - External	-	-	-	-	-
Grants (Enter Description Here)	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves, Equity, Surplus	-	-	-	-	-
Other - Enter Description Here	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budget Amounts	-	-	-	-	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -

Additional Comments:

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

"Original Signed By"

Cindy Fernandes, CMA

Manager, Finance & Administrative Services

CONSULTATION

SUBMITTED BY

Department: Community Services
Division: Community Development and Recreation Services
Prepared by: M. Kowal, Recreation Technician, Community Incentive Grant Program
Date: November 15, 2013
File No.

Attachments


Application.pdf


Evaluation.pdf


Supporting Documentation.pdf

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COMMUNITY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM
APPLICATION EVALUATION

Applicant:	**Chai Folk Arts Council Inc.**	**Total Project Cost:**	**$33,500.00**
Project Description:	**50th Anniversary**	**Grant Requested:**	**$10,000.00**
Date of Application:	**October 31, 2013**	**Maximum Allowed:**	**$16,750.00**
		% of Total Project Cost:	**29.9 %**

Funding Source	**Amount**	**Confirmed**
Winnipeg Foundation	$10,000.00	Yes
Chai Anniversaray Fundraising	$13,500.00	No
Total	$23,500.00	

	Meets Program Eligibility and Selection Criteria	**Yes**	**No**
1	Organization is a non-profit community organization that contributes to the health and well being of the community.	X	
2	The project is a capital improvement or the purchase of a capital asset that will be retained for more than 1 year.	X	
3	The project is available for public use or will enhance public use of the space or facility.		X
4	Projects must be initiated and substantially completed within two (2) years of award.	X	
5	Total City of Winnipeg contribution is 50% or less.	X	

Criteria Exceptions:

- The project is not available for public use or will enhance public use of the space or facility.

Department Financial Implications:

Departmental Recommendations:

That this application be denied.

Prepared By: Community Services Department

Date: **November 4, 2013**

Application Evaluation Revised September 18, 2012

Community Incentive Grant Program Application Form

Winnipeg This application will be photocopied; please print in ink or type.

1. Legal name of the organization	CHAI FOLK ARTS COUNCIL INC		
2. Permanent mailing address of the organization	Address: C147-123 DONCASTER STR	City/Town: WPG	Postal Code: R3N 2B2
	Organization e-mail: Chai@chai.mb.ca	Phone: 204-477-7497	Fax: 204-477-7516
3. Names of organization's representatives who will be overseeing the project	Primary Contact: REEVA NEPON	Title: ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR	
	Business Phone: 204-477-7497 / Residence Phone:	Email:	
	Secondary Contact: TRACY KASNER GREAVES	Title: ARTISTIC DIRECTOR	
	Business Phone: 204 290-3972 / Residence Phone: 204	Email:	
4. Year the organization was formed		Year: 1964	
5. C.I.G.P. requested amount Up to 50% of the total project cost		$ 10,000	

6. List other sources of project funding including other grants, funds on hand, and proposed fund-raising. Indicate whether or not each source of funding is confirmed. **Note:** no other City funds may be used towards the applicant's 50% share of the project cost.	**Source**	**Amount**	**Confirmed**
	1. WINNIPEG FOUNDATION	$ 10,000	☑ Yes ☐ No
	2. CHAI ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISING	$ 13,500	☐ Yes ☑ No
	3.	$	☐ Yes ☐ No
	4.	$	☐ Yes ☐ No
	5.	$	☐ Yes ☐ No
	6.	$	☐ Yes ☐ No

7. Total project cost Project costs should be supported by at least two contractor quotes or estimates. Enter the costs provided by the preferred contractor.	$ 33,500
8. Has this project received prior funding through the Community Incentive Grant Program?	☐ Yes ☑ No

9. Project name Assign your project an accurate, descriptive name to be used in all correspondence.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

10. Project Site Address Provide a complete, accurate indication of exactly where the project is planned. A site plan is helpful. N/A	Property owned by: N/A
11. Anticipated Start & End Dates Start Date: NOV 2013	End Date: MAY 2014

12. Detailed Project Description: Attached on separate sheets or use the space on back of this form. Provide a detailed description of the project which addresses the selection criteria. Please include a description of the project objectives and how the project will accomplish those objectives, a detailed scope of work and, if possible, preliminary project plans or drawings.

APPLICANT SIGNATURES I/We hereby certify that I/we am/are the **authorized signing officer(s)** of the applying organization and this application is accurate to the best of my/our knowledge.

Signature of authorized signing officer	Title/Position	Date
	PRESIDENT	Oct 29/13
R Nepon	ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR	Oct 28/13

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October 30, 2013

Community Incentive Grant Program
Community Services Department
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Dear Monica,

Georgina from Councillor John Orlikow's office asked me to prepare this grant application that will be put before Council and requires criteria to be waived.

If there is anything else you require from us, please get in touch.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Reeva Nepon

Reeva Nepon
Administrative Director

PROJECT DESCRIPTION – CITY OF WINNIPEG – COMMUNITY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

The Chai Folk Arts Council Inc. is the governing body of the Sarah Sommer Chai Folk Ensemble (Chai) and is a not for profit charitable organization #118849058RR0001.

Chai is a community based organization which celebrates cultural diversity through public stage performances of song and dance throughout the world, while providing opportunity for volunteerism, education and leadership in a culturally rich environment here at home in Winnipeg.

Chai started in 1964 with only 8 dancers and has grown to be North America's oldest and largest Israeli folk ensemble with 40 dancers, singers and musicians. As we enter our 50th year, we have planned events and concerts which will acknowledge and celebrate the organization's accomplishments and contribution to the arts community, raise the group's visibility and publicly thank everyone for the last 50 years. We will rejuvenate the bond with the past performers, directors and audiences while at the same time engaging new audience members, performers and potential partners.

We are seeking funding for the creation of costuming for 4 new sections of music and dance in honour of Chai's 50th anniversary year. The total budget is $33,500 for design, fabric and sewing for the cast and alumni who will be on stage.

One is a brand new traditional 'Hora' finale especially designed for this concert. It tells the classic story of 'something from nothing' and relates to Chai's 50 years of abundance that started with small seeds and the dream of the late Sarah Sommer in her basement. The costume is designed to look like an abstract prayer shawl and an original ethereal style dress indicative of Biblical times, while keeping the classic Israeli look our audiences around the world are used to seeing.

Kalat Yemen is the story of a Yemenite bride and is a raw organic depiction of ancient ritual carried out as a bride leaves her mother's arms towards her groom. The costumes are essential to the authenticity of this piece. For over

50 years, we have aspired to reach the artistic level of this kind of depth of truth in ancient inspired choreography. Every Yemenite piece we have done until now, has been preparation for this magical moment in our ensemble's history.

A contemporary Israeli piece, 'Voice of the Wheel (Mishaela Mizmor Laylah), is a modern look at an ancient country in song dance and the costume is imperative for this new work. Popular Israeli musical motifs have found there way into ancient Middle Eastern modes, and so too have the costumes, so brilliantly in their design.

Adamah Vashamayim - "The Land and Sea" - and the common themes of the Aboriginal and Hebrew people. Both see the world, land, water and air - to be treated with utmost respect and admiration. As two nations come together in Hebrew song with Aboriginal inspired steps, the costume must appropriately unite them and show how powerful embracing diversity can lead humanity.

December 22, 2012

Reeva Nepon
Administrative Director
Sarah Sommer Chai Folk Ensemble/
Chai Folk Arts Council Inc.

COSTUMES DESIGN & MANUFACTURE
COST ESTIMATES

As I spoke with Tracy Kasner, here I present the budget for designing and constructing costumes for 5 different choreographies for Chai Folk Ensemble. Approximate number : 125 costumes.

Design fee for each choreography	$ 2,000.00
Manufacture fee for each costume (includes materials and sewing)	$ 150.00

Design Fee	5 costumes x $2,000 each	$10,000
Material & Labour	25 male/female x 5 choreographies x $150 ea	$18,750
TOTAL		**$ 28,750**

The fees for each costume can go 20% up depending on the design and the type of fabrics we decide to use.

I leave it to your consideration.

Best Regards

Sara Salomon
Costume Creative Designer
Email: sarasalomon05@yahoo.com

Norma Lachance

660 70 Arthur str. Winnipg, Mb. R3b 1g7

Tel. 1-204 798 7210

Chai Folk Ensemble

Hi Reeva

Here is the costume quote for your June 2014 show

5 sets of costumes

Costume design 1, 000. X 5 =5, 000

Pattern making 150. X 5 =750.

Pattern grading 125. X 5 =625.

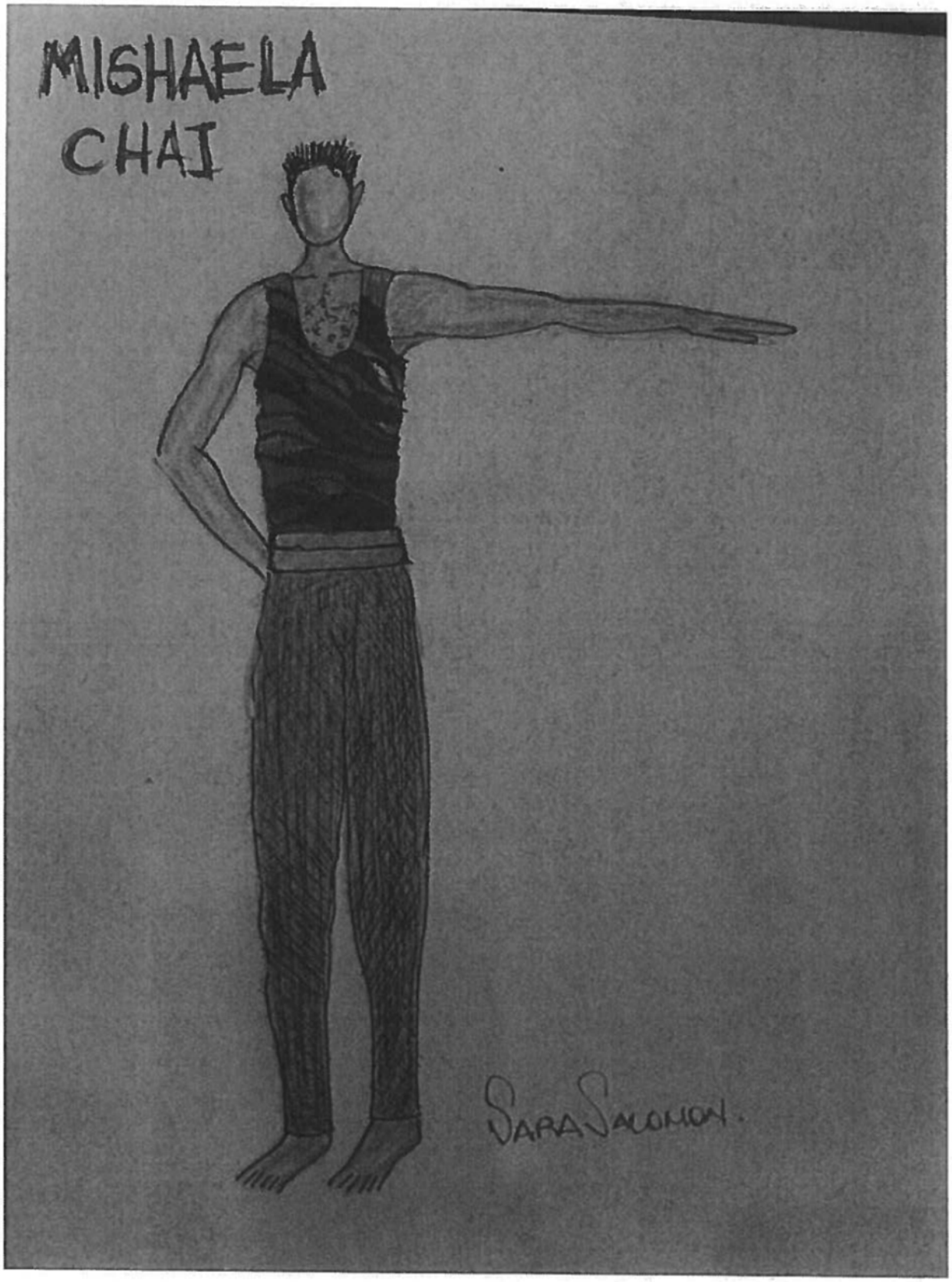
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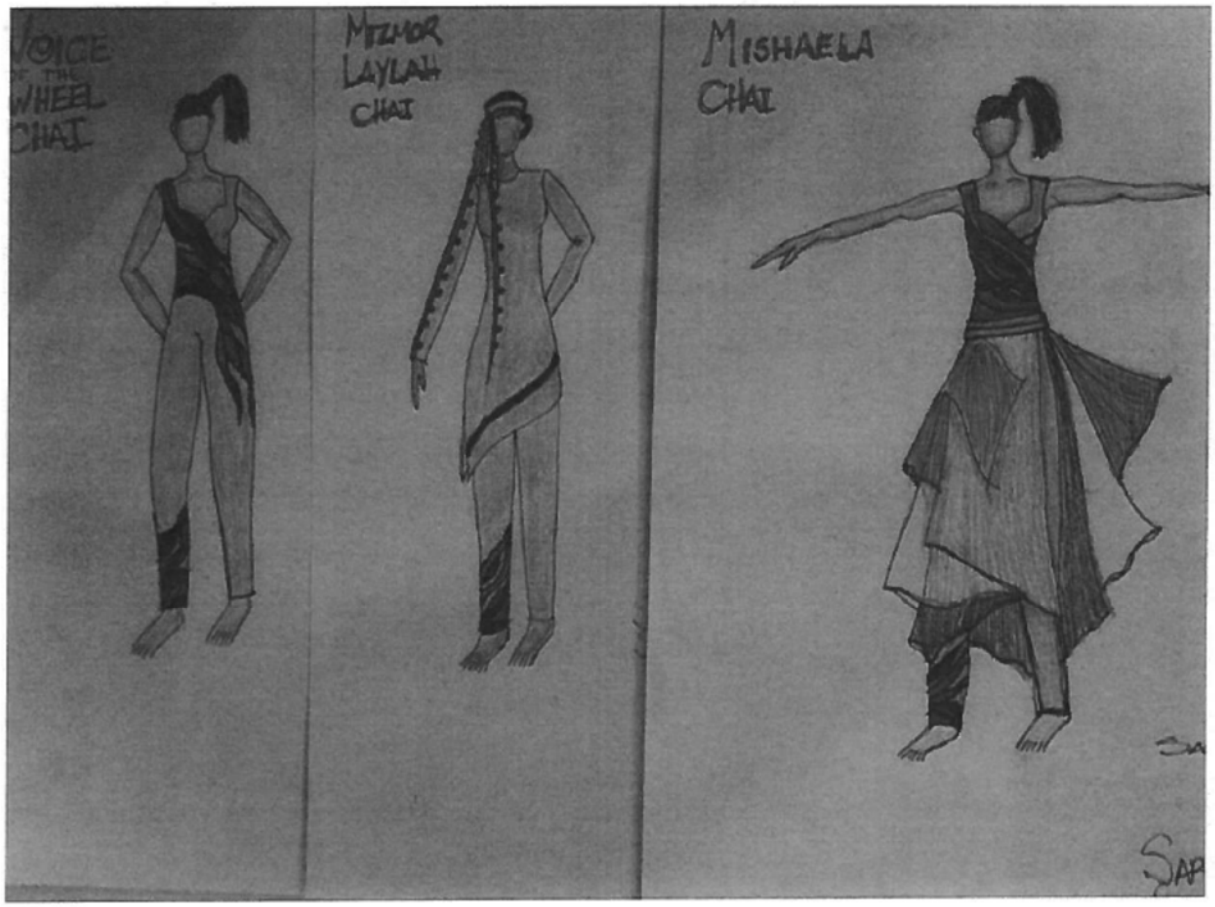
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Total 37, 625

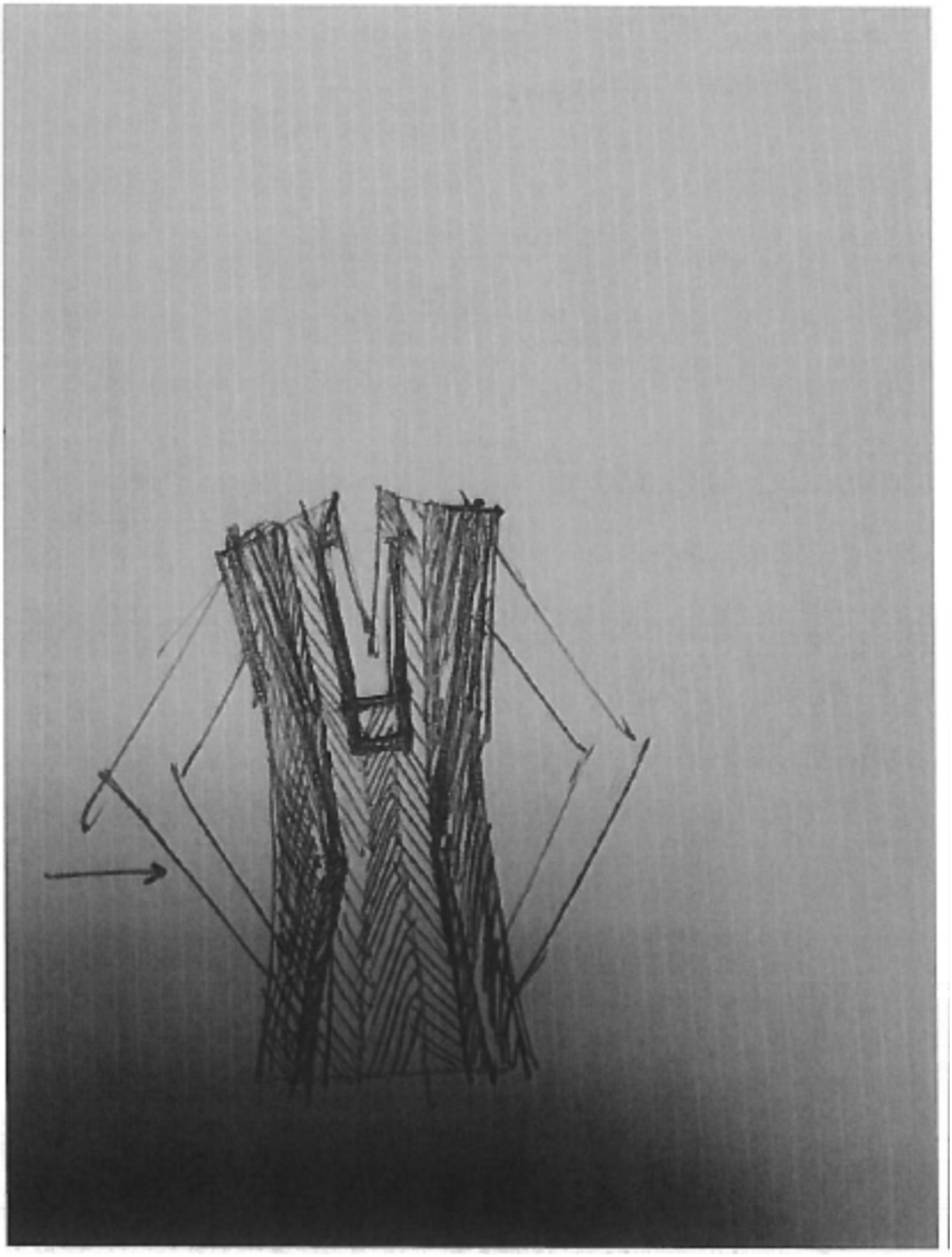
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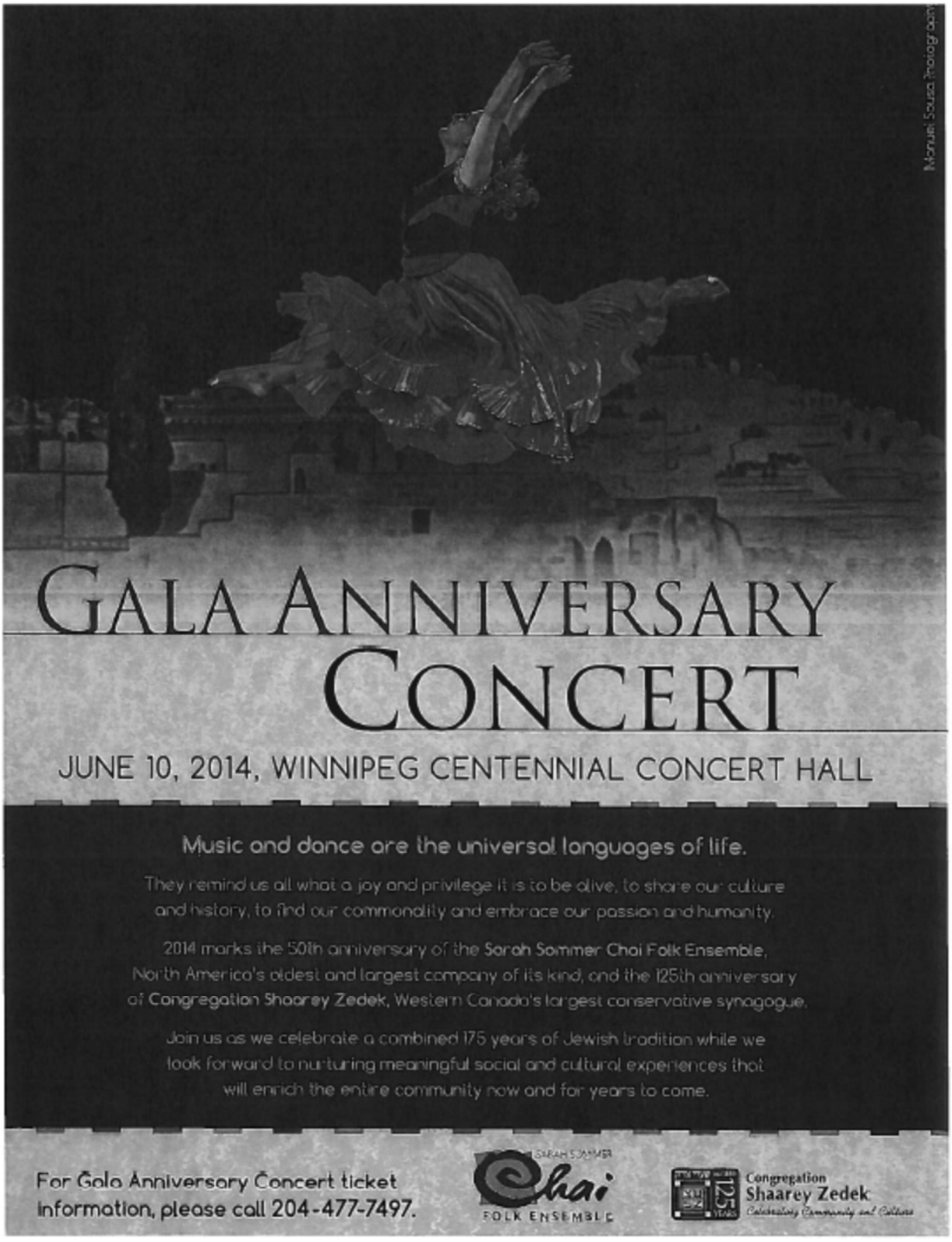
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Music and dance are the universal languages of life.
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