Canadian Alliance of Dance Artists - East Chapter (CADA/East) created the following *Caregiver Subsidy Pilot Program Initial Assessment Survey* in 2022 as part of their Balancing Act Level UP! Pilot Project.

The survey was sent to all CADA/East members to encourage artist caregivers to participate in the program, and to gather information about the individual needs of artist caregiver members.

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Introduction

CADA/East is teaming up with Balancing Act* to undergo a Caregiver Subsidy Pilot Program for all members of CADA/East. The pilot program will run for three months, from February 1st to April 30th, 2022.

**Balancing Act* aims to create increased equality, accessibility, and inclusion for parents and caregivers working in the performing arts. They collaborate with artists, arts workers, and arts organizations to develop pathways for change at an individual, organizational and systemic level.*

If you are a current member of CADA/EAST and would like to participate in the Caregiver Subsidy Pilot Program, please complete the following survey by [DATE] to share information about your needs as an artist caregiver.

CADA/East will review all survey responses and follow up with respondents to provide more information. All members who participate in the program will be asked to submit receipts and/or information related to childcare and/or costs incurred while offering support to family (adopted, blood, or chosen) or dependents. CADA/East will reimburse $7/hour to subsidize caregiving costs. For example, if an artist needs to hire a babysitter or nurse to care for a family member for five hours while they are in rehearsal, $35 can be accessed through the program to help with expenses (5 hours X $7/hour).

Members can access a max of $100 per month until funds from the program run out.

Questions

1. Please provide your email address: *

2. Are you a member of CADA/East? *

   - ☐ Yes
   - ☐ No

3. What costs would you like CADA/East to help cover towards your caregiving expenses? *

4. Would a support group of similar caregivers be helpful for you?

   - ☐ Yes
   - ☐ No

5. If you have a child that is required to stay home for remote learning, what do you feel would help you to continue to engage with your artistic and creative work?

6. Do you engage in a barter system or in-kind exchange as a form of payment for caregiving services? For example: a family member watches your child while you are training, in exchange for a meal?

7. Is there something else you'd like to share about your needs as an artist and caregiver?

Thank you for your time! We will be in touch shortly!
Take care, CADA/East and Balancing Act.