FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024

and Independent Auditors' Report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Directors of Chokecherry Studios Incorporated:

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Chokecherry Studios Incorporated [the "organization"], which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statement of operations, statement of changes in net assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at March 31, 2024, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the organization derives revenue from donations and fundraising activities, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses and net increase in cash from operating activities for the years ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, current assets as at March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, and net assets as at April 1, 2022, March 31, 2023, April 1, 2023, and March 31, 2024. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024 was modified accordingly because of possible effects of this limitation of scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the organization, in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the organization financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud
 or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that
 is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material
 misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve
 collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
 are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

September 26, 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT MARCH 31, 2024

			<u>2024</u>		2023
	<u>ASSETS</u>				
CURRENT ASSETS:		Ф	100 040	Φ	74 000
Cash Accounts receivable		\$	199,249	\$	74,222 23,580
Deposits			4,392		23,300
•			203,641		97,802
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 3)			55,552		19,127
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		<u>\$</u>	259,193	\$	116,929
<u>LI.</u>	ABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabiliti	es	\$	49,383	\$	5,500
Deferred revenue (Note 4)			67,624		7,949
			117,007		13,449
NET ASSETS:					
Unrestricted net assets			86,634		84,353
Invested in capital assets			55,552		19,127
			142,186		103,480
		\$	259,193	\$	116,929
Approved on behalf of the Board:					
David Shanks					
-	_ Director				
c. :					
Francisco Pino (Apr 11, 2025 14:12 MDT)	Director				

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

DEVENUE.	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
REVENUE:	# 400 000	Ф 00.000
Donations	\$ 136,290	\$ 36,336
Fundraising	405 400	49
Grants - government (Note 5)	195,496	157,790
Grants - other (Note 5)	263,591	61,550
Workshops, sponsorships and other income	109,598	217,847
	704,975	473,572
EXPENDITURES:		
Advertising and promotion	2,178	566
Amortization	8,239	5,303
Bank charges and interest	907	1,086
Contracted services	86,401	80,268
Honorariums	39,566	27,100
Insurance	2,262	1,902
Meetings	14,576	21,895
Office	45,471	18,025
Professional fees	30,146	9,492
Programming and project expenses	5,726	21,673
Rent	38,150	21,600
Repairs and maintenance	2,205	1,116
Supplies	24,610	18,326
Travel	14,244	8,492
Utilities	3,659	169
Wages and benefits	347,929	195,021
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EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 38,706	\$ 41,538

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	2024
	Unrestricted Invested in net assets capital assets Total
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 84,353 \$ 19,127 \$ 103,480
Capital asset purchases	(44,664) 44,664 -
Excess of revenue over expenditures	46,945 (8,239) 38,706
Balance, end of year	\$ 86,634 \$ 55,552 \$ 142,186
	2023
	Unrestricted Invested in net assets capital assets Total
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 47,025 \$ 14,917 \$ 61,942
Capital asset purchases	(9,513) 9,513 -
Excess of revenue over expenditures	46,841 (5,303) 41,538
Balance, end of year	\$ 84,353 \$ 19,127 \$ 103,480

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

CASH FLOWS FROM (TO) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash received from donors and operations Cash paid to suppliers and employees	\$ 788,230 (618,539) 169,691	\$ 450,825 (426,732) 24,093
CASH FLOWS FROM (TO) INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of property and equipment	(44,664)	(9,513)
CHANGE IN CASH DURING THE YEAR	125,027	14,580
CASH AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	74,222	59,642
CASH AT END OF THE YEAR	\$ 199,249	\$ 74,222

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2024

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS:

Chokecherry Studios Incorporated (the "organization") is a youth founded non-profit offering arts-based programming and mentorship to young and emerging artists in inner-city Saskatoon on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis.

The organization is incorporated as a non-profit corporation under *The Non-profit Corporations Act of Saskatchewan.*

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook – Accounting, Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations, which sets out generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit organizations in Canada and includes the significant accounting policies summarized below.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes balances held with Canadian financial institutions and cash on hand.

Prepaid expenses

Prepaid expenses consist of expenses paid in the current year which relate to project expenses in the upcoming year.

Capital assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost, less accumulated amortization. The organization provides for amortization using the following methods at rates designed to amortize the cost of the capital assets over their estimated useful lives. The annual amortization rates and methods are as follows:

Computer equipment 55% declining balance
Project Equipment 20% declining balance
Furniture and fixtures 20% declining balance
Leasehold 10% straight-line

Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue consists of grant revenue received in the current year that relate to project expenses and other expenses to be incurred in the upcoming year.

Contributed services

Volunteers contribute an undefined number of hours to assist the organization in carrying out its activities. Because of the difficulty in determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

Income taxes

No provision has been made for income taxes as none of the activities carried on by the organization are subject to income taxes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2024

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued:

Revenue recognition

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations. Contributions are recognized in the accounts when received, or receivable, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Sponsorship, other income and rental income is recorded when received, since pledges are not legally enforceable claims. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when initially recorded in the accounts. Externally-restricted contributions are deferred when initially recorded in the accounts and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial instruments

Measurement of financial instruments

The organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value.

The organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of operations.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in the statement of operations. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the statement of operations.

3. CAPITAL ASSETS:

		Accı	umulated	<u>Net</u>	Book	<u> Value</u>
	Cost	<u>Am</u>	<u>ortization</u>	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>
Computer equipment	\$ 13,008	\$	6,695	\$ 6,313	\$	1,759
Project Equipment	3,836		383	3,453		-
Furniture and fixtures	26,761		9,263	17,498		17,368
Leasehold	29,207		919	28,288		-
	\$ 72,812	\$	17,260	\$ 55,552	\$	19,127

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2024

4. DEFERRED REVENUE:

During the year, the organization received grants from various organizations for various projects which were still ongoing at year-end. Grants will be recognized in revenue when the related expenses are incurred.

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CSRF Project Funding Saskatoon Collaborative Funders Partnership Funding IRF Canada Saskatchewan Housing Initiative Partnership - Warm-up location Minister of Indigenous Services - Youth Hope Fund	\$	15,183 9,943 1,775 30,573 10,150 67,624	\$	7,949 7,949
5. GRANT REVENUE:		2024		2023
Government Grants: Minister of Indigenous Services - Youth Hope Fund contract for a total of \$148,939 to be used by March 31, 2024. In 2024, \$151,140 (2023 - \$106,673) was received and \$10,150 (2023 - \$7,949) is included in deferred revenue.	\$	<u>2024</u> 148,939	\$	2023 109,040
City of Saskatoon - Community unrestricted, operating grant for a total of \$46,557 (2023 - \$48,750). In 2024, \$56,500 (2023 - \$48,750) was received and \$9,943 (2023 - \$0) is included in deferred revenue.	\$	46,557 195,496	\$	48,750 157,790
Other Grants:				
Sask Arts Board - Artists in Communities	\$	12,810	\$	20,750
Canadian Roots Exchange - Saskwatonminiskak project		-		1,100
CSRF Project Funding		84,817		-
Farm Credit Canda		2,000		-
Saskatchewan Prevention Institute Health Grant		3,000		-
IRF Canada		73,225		-
Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority Sponsorship		5,000		-
United Way		50,000		-
Affinity Credit Union grant		15,000		10,000
Saskatchewan Housing Initiative Partnership - Warm-up location	\$	17,739 263,591	\$	29,700 61,550
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6. COMMITMENTS:

The Organization has entered into a lease agreement for their building space with monthly payments including occupancy costs of \$4,391. The lease will mature in Sep 30, 2026. The estimated minimum annual payments are as follows:

2025	\$ 52,692
2026	39,519

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2024

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:

The organization, as part of its operations, carries a number of financial instruments. It is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest or credit risks arising from these financial instruments, except as follows:

Credit risk

The organization is exposed to the risk that one party to a financial instrument may cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

Liquidity risk

The organization is exposed to the risk that it will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities.

8. COMPARATIVE FIGURES:

Certain prior year figures, presented for comparative purposes, have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation.

9. OTHER INFORMATION:

Management is responsible for the following other information, Schedule of Operations Per Program. The other information comprises the information, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

The other information does not include comparative figures because this information was not available for the prior year March 31, 2023.

SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS PER PROGRAM

ACU 3.0	2024
REVENUE: Other grants	\$ 16,500
EXPENDITURES: Meetings Office Rent Supplies Wages and benefits	 105 4,611 - 10,000 14,716
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,784
CIHR 2.0 (SCFP) REVENUE: Government grants received less: government grants deferred	\$ 2024 56,500 (9,943) 46,557
EXPENDITURES: Honorariums Meetings Office Rent Supplies Travel Wages and benefits EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	 4,000 801 - 2,100 801 1,000 37,855 46,557
<u>CIHR 2.0 (YAP)</u>	0004
REVENUE: Other grants	\$ <u>2024</u> 3,000
EXPENDITURES: Honorariums	 400
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,600

SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS PER PROGRAM

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<u>USKF</u>	2024
REVENUE:	<u>2024</u>
Other grants	\$ 100,000
less: other grants deferred	(15,183)
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EXPENDITURES:	
Meetings	765
Office	22,086
Professional fees	20,458
Rent	9,678
Repairs and maintenance	2,205
Supplies	954
Utilities	1,475
Wages and benefits	27,196
	84,817
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ -
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INVESTMENT READINESS	
	<u>2024</u>
REVENUE:	
Other grants	\$ 75,000
less: other grants deferred	(1,775)
	73,225
EXPENDITURES:	
Contracted services	70,000
	3,225
Wages and benefits	73,225
	13,223
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ -
NARF EVENT	
	<u>2024</u>
REVENUE:	
Workshops, sponsorships and other income	\$ 7,200
EXPENDITURES:	
Honorariums	3,500
Meetings	456
Wages and benefits	5,000
Trages and ponone	8,956
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ (1,756)

SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS PER PROGRAM

SASKATOON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION		
DEVENUE.		<u>2024</u>
REVENUE: Donations	\$	18,141
EXPENDITURES: Wages and benefits		2,043
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	16,098
YOUTH HOPE FUND		2024
REVENUE:		<u>2024</u>
Government grants received	\$	151,140
less: government grants deferred		(10,150)
		140,990
EXPENDITURES:		
Contracted Services		11,900
Honorariums		7,300
Meetings		4,259
Office Design of the second o		10,439
Professional fees Programming and project expenses		9,019 2,404
Rent		11,786
Supplies		6,926
Travel		4,619
Wages and benefits		72,338
		140,990
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	
WARM-UP LOCATION		
DEVENUE.		<u>2024</u>
REVENUE: Other grants	\$	48,312
less: other grants deferred	Ψ	(30,573)
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EXPENDITURES:		
Office		7,080
Meetings		2,022
Supplies		10
Travel		4,000 4,627
Wages and benefits		4,627 17,739
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS PER PROGRAM

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REVENUE:		<u>2024</u>
Workshops, sponsorships and other income	\$	66,000
EXPENDITURES:		
Honorariums		10,600
Meetings		2,367
Professional fees		669
Programming and project expenses		1,470
Rent		2,100
Supplies		3,310
Travel		3,000
Wages and benefits		41,833 65,349
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	Ф	651
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	001
CENEDAL		
<u>GENERAL</u>		<u>2024</u>
REVENUE:		
Donations	\$	118,149
Government grants		7,949
Other grants		68,310
Workshops, sponsorships and other income		36,398
		230,806
EXPENDITURES:		
Advertising and promotion		2,178
Amortization		8,239
Bank charges and interest		907
Contracted services		4,501
Honorariums		13,766
Insurance		2,262
Meetings		3,906
Office		5,761
Programming and project expenses Rent		1,852
Supplies		7,875 12,609
Travel		1,625
Utilities		2,184
Wages and benefits		143,812
<u> </u>		211,477
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	19,329
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Chokecherry Studios Incorporated FS 2024-R

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