



Press Release

CIRQINIQ – Summer Camp 2012

Kuujuuaq, Québec, June 28, 2012 –The third annual Cirqiniq Summer Camp kicked off earlier this week with circus-technique upgrading training being delivered to 16 junior instructors from eight communities. These preparatory activities will be followed, from June 29 to July 5, with circus workshops organized for an additional 55 youth also from throughout the region.

Participants will be able to learn juggling, tight-wire walking, as well as aerial arts such as trapeze and silks. The workshops will be taught by Nunavik junior instructors in collaboration with senior instructors affiliated with *Cirque du Soleil*[®]. Camp participants will also have an opportunity to apply themselves at various other artistic skills, such as sewing, make-up, beat-boxing and painting with the well-known Nunavik artist Sammy Kudluk. The week-long activities will culminate on July 5 during an evening performance scheduled to be held at the Katittavik Town Hall. Admission will be free and everyone is invited to the fantastic gathering.

Coordinated by the KRG Recreation Department, the Cirqiniq Program is implemented in close collaboration with *Cirque du Soleil*[®]. This year's Cirqiniq Summer Camp is being made possible through the generous support of many partners, including the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services, First Air, Air Inuit, Tamaani Internet, the Makivik Corporation and Nunacell, a Makivik subsidiary. As well, for the second consecutive year, social service providers from the Ungava Tulattavik Health Centre will be present to foster relationship-building skills.

Other planned activities during the Cirqiniq Summer Camp are a contact event with the International Space Station coordinated by NASA, as well as a parade on July 5 through the streets of Kuujuuaq prior to the evening performance.

The KRG is a non-ethnic public organization created in 1978, under the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement. The organization has jurisdiction over nearly the entire territory of Québec north of the 55th parallel in areas such as municipal matters, transportation, the environment, policing, employment, labour training, income security, childcare services, renewable resources, land-use planning, civil security and economic development.

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