



The Children's Festival Society of Kelowna
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Dear

RE: Interior Savings Fat Cat Children's Festival June 6 & 7, 2008

The Fat Cat Children's Festival is a long standing and successful Festival in our community that for the past 18 years has provided entertainment and learning opportunities for our region's families and visitors.

The programming for the 2009 Fat Cat Children's Festival builds on our traditions of world-class performers, from within our region as well as nationally and internationally, but also offers significantly more entertainment and hands-on learning opportunities, especially at our new core programme, the **School Day on Friday, June 12th**. On this day, schools and kids from throughout School District #23 have been invited to participate in a full day of top notch entertainment and hands-on activities. Geared to elementary-aged children the stages will offer programming at both the primary and intermediate elementary school levels. In addition, we will have a series of special hands-on workshops and activities such as Djembe Drumming, Pottery and Painting for the kids to get a very 'up close and personal' art experience.

In 2008 we had over 550 students from 20 schools participate and for 2009 we anticipate doubling this number. We are already receiving requests from schools to make the Fat Cat Children's Festival their destination for a June Field Trip.

I am writing to you to request your support for the 2009 Fat Cat Children's Festival as a great community partner for our special 'Adopt-A-Class' Programme. Your donation of \$250 will send a deserving group of elementary-school aged children to take part in the Festival and enjoy of its experiences for free. You can help by adopting one class – or more – or even a whole school!

You may choose to designate the class or school you would like to adopt, or we have list of under-serviced schools that would love to participate, but can't because of financial restrictions. You have the ability to make a significant difference with your donation and you will be creating some unforgettable memories for these kids.

Your contribution will be recognized on our Thank You Board on-site, as well as in our Thank You ad in the Capital News. Best of all, you will receive a special thank you letter from your adopted class as they share some of the experiences they enjoyed because of your support. If you wish, the City of Kelowna will also issue you a tax receipt for your donation.

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I thank you very much for your consideration of our request. Please fill out the form below and help us expand and grow this great Okanagan tradition and give our communities' kids great experiences.

Sincerely,

Dorothee Birker
Artistic Director, Fat Cat Children's Festival
Phone: 860-4911

PS – in addition to our School Day, the 2009 Fat Cat Children's Festival will also feature the following core components that will truly offer experiences for all sections of our community:

- **Fat Cat Children's Festival Parade 10:00 AM–11:30 AM:** Everyone really does love a parade and this will be a great opportunity for kids of all ages to come to downtown Kelowna to enjoy the sights, sounds and excitement of a full-fledged parade. As a continuation of the Fat Cat tradition, kids will of course still have the opportunity to dress up and join the parade and show their community pride. Thanks to our Parade partners **The Downtown Kelowna Association**. Please let us know if you would be interested in participating in the Parade also and we will forward the application form.
- **Community Day, Saturday 11:00 AM–5:00 PM:** The Fat Cat everyone knows and loves with more stage performances, more street performers and more hands-on activities. A great day for the family – including all of its generations – to enjoy together. And as the Fat Cat celebrates its 19th anniversary, it will be sure to include a second generation of Fat Cats, with parents who took part in the Interior Savings Fat Cat Children's Festival as kids, bringing their own children.

Please fill out and return to:

Fat Cat Children's Festival, 2495 Enterprise Way, Kelowna, BC V1X 7K2. Please make cheques payable to: *Children's Festival Society of Kelowna*.

You can count on us. Our Cheque for _____ is enclosed.
(Each Adopt-a-Class is \$250)

Yes, please have the City issue us a tax receipt for our donation. Tax Receipt should be issued to: _____

Address: _____

The Festival has a list of under-serviced schools that require "adopting" in order for their students to participate, or if you know which class/school you would like the funds to go to, please list it here:

Grade: _____ School: _____

School Phone #: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

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