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Guelph Arts Council and Meridian Credit Union Present *Financial Literacy for Creative Professionals Workshop*

Guelph, ON – June 14, 2017 – Guelph Arts Council is pleased to collaborate with [Meridian Credit Union](#) in presenting *Financial Literacy for Creative Professionals*, a workshop designed to take the fear factor out of day-to-day personal and small business finance, on **Monday June 26**. Thanks to the generosity of Meridian Credit Union, a Guelph Arts Council Annual Sponsor, the workshop is free.

The three-hour workshop begins at 5 pm at the Guelph Public Library – East Side, 1 Starwood Drive, Guelph. The topics included in the workshop, which will be led by Meridian Credit Union advisors, include: Budgeting, Small Business, and Wealth Esteem. Time will be included for participants' finance-related questions.

The workshop schedule is:

- 5 – 5:30 pm Refreshments
- 5:30 – 7:30 Budgeting, Small Business, Wealth Esteem
- 7:30 – 8 pm Networking.

The workshop is free, but registration is required. Please register [online](#) or by calling Guelph Arts Council at 519-836-3280.

In announcing the workshop, Guelph Arts Council Executive Director Patti Broughton said: “We are so grateful to Meridian Credit Union for offering this workshop to Guelph’s creative community. Financial literacy is important for everyone, but in a special way for artists, who are often self-employed or have multiple sources of income. Dealing with finances can be overwhelming and time consuming, particularly when faced with many options and conflicting information. This workshop will help cut through the clutter, and equip creative professionals with skills to effectively manage their finances.”

About Guelph Arts Council:

For forty years, Guelph Arts Council has been dedicated to supporting, stimulating and promoting arts and culture in Guelph. GAC is funded in part by **The Guelph Community Foundation** and **City of Guelph**. We also acknowledge the support of the **Ontario Arts Council**, an agency of the Government of Ontario, and our annual sponsors **Meridian Credit Union** and **Gary Stewart of CIBC Wood Gundy**.

About Meridian:

With over 70 years of banking history, Meridian is Ontario’s largest credit union, helping to grow the lives of its more than a quarter of a million Members, including over 23,000 business Members. Meridian has \$15.5 billion in assets under management and delivers a full range of financial services online, by phone, by mobile and through a network of 92 branches across Ontario, and commercial banking services in 11 locations. Meridian Members also have access to THE EXCHANGE® Network, with more than 3,300 no-fee ABMs across Canada and 500,000 ABMs in the United States. For more information, please visit: [meridiancu.ca](#).

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