



**Summary Findings from Ipsos Reid Survey,
Summer 2006
and
Recommendations to the Ministry of Culture
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Ipsos Reid Survey

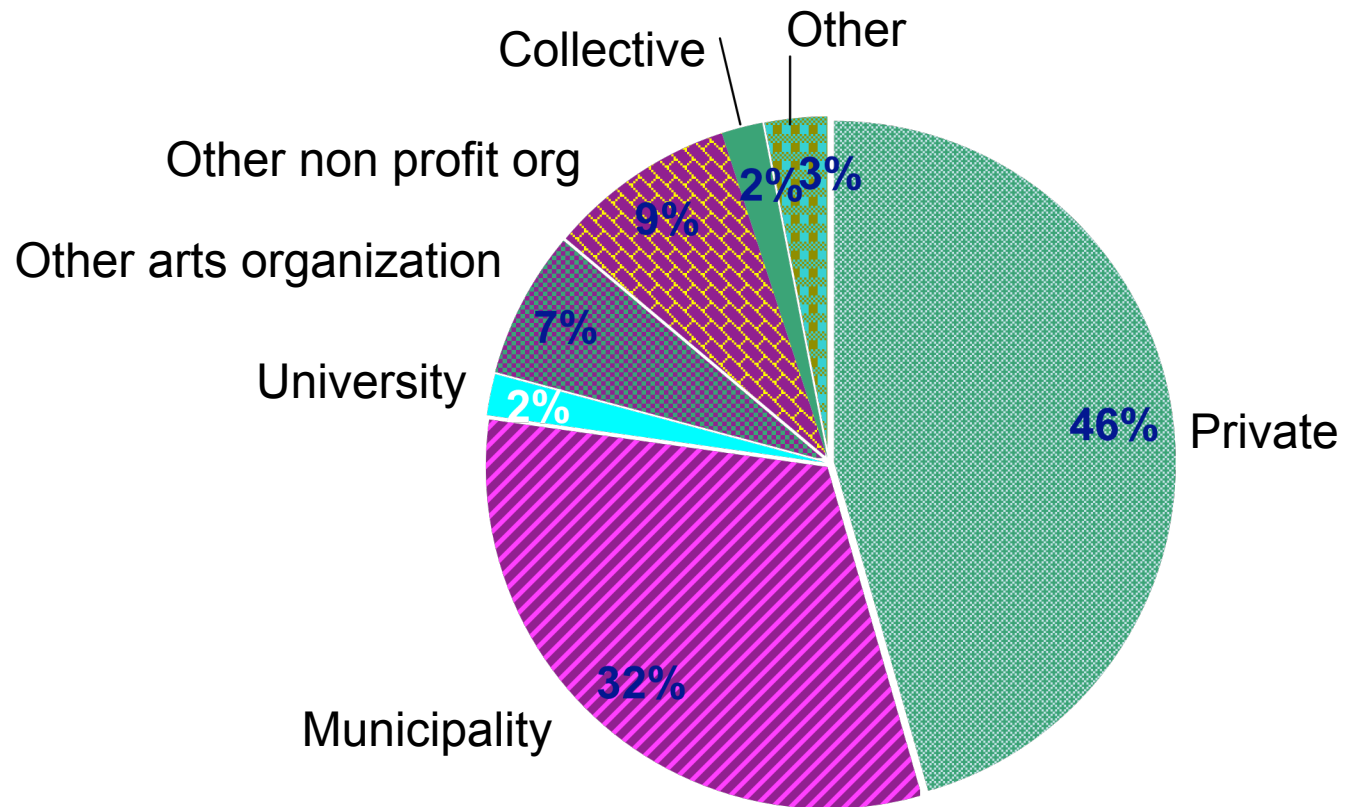
Profile of Respondents

- 383 small-mid sized organizations surveyed (budgets under \$3m, based on OAC operating client base plus community theatre)
- 164 responses, 43% response rate
- 53% from outside of Toronto, 47% from Toronto

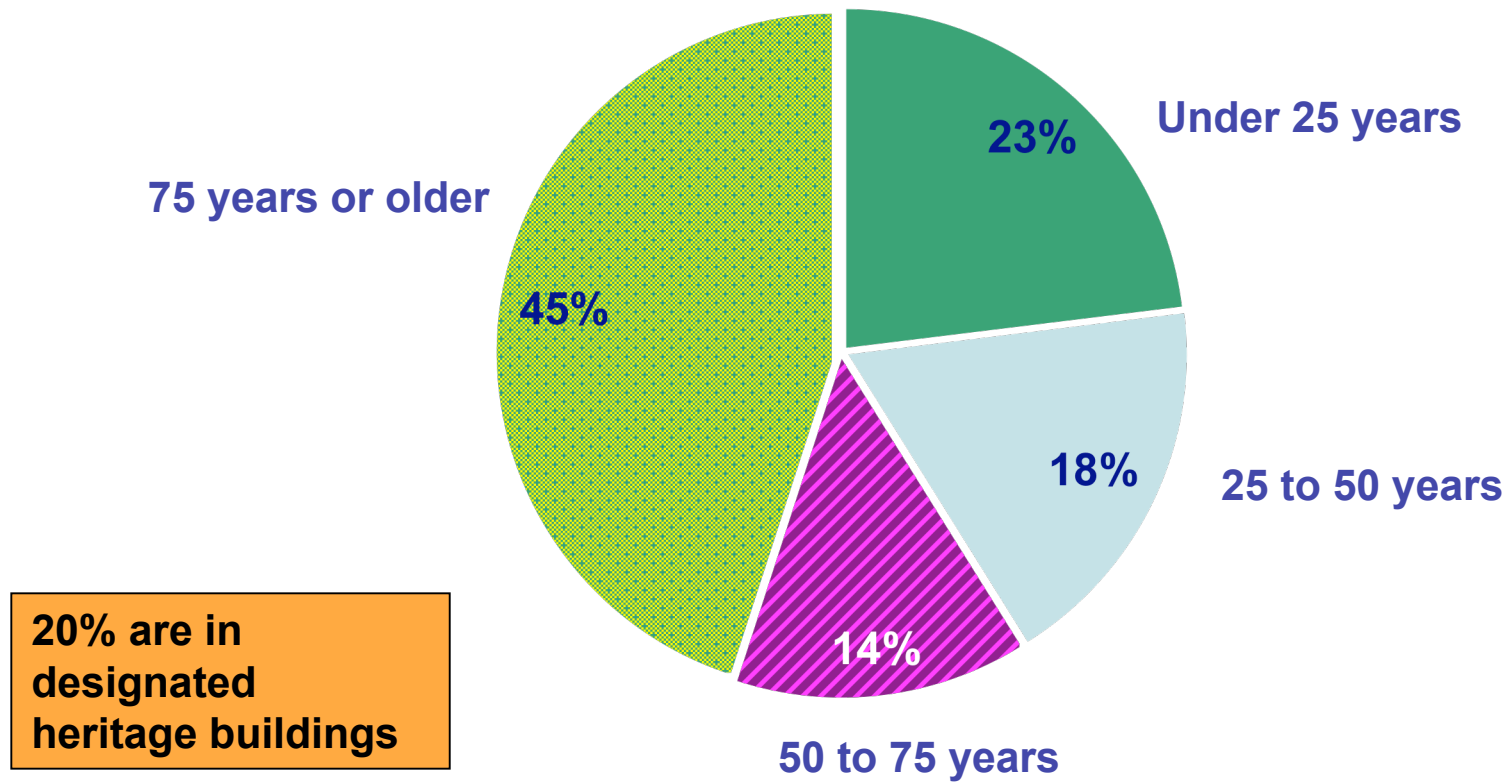
Key Findings

- 82% of respondents with infrastructure responsibility anticipate multiple capital requirements in next 10 years
- They identified 109 PLANNED capital projects in the next 3 years
- Only 20% of respondents own their space. 87% of that ownership is outside of Toronto
- Only 32% of those who lease do so from their municipality

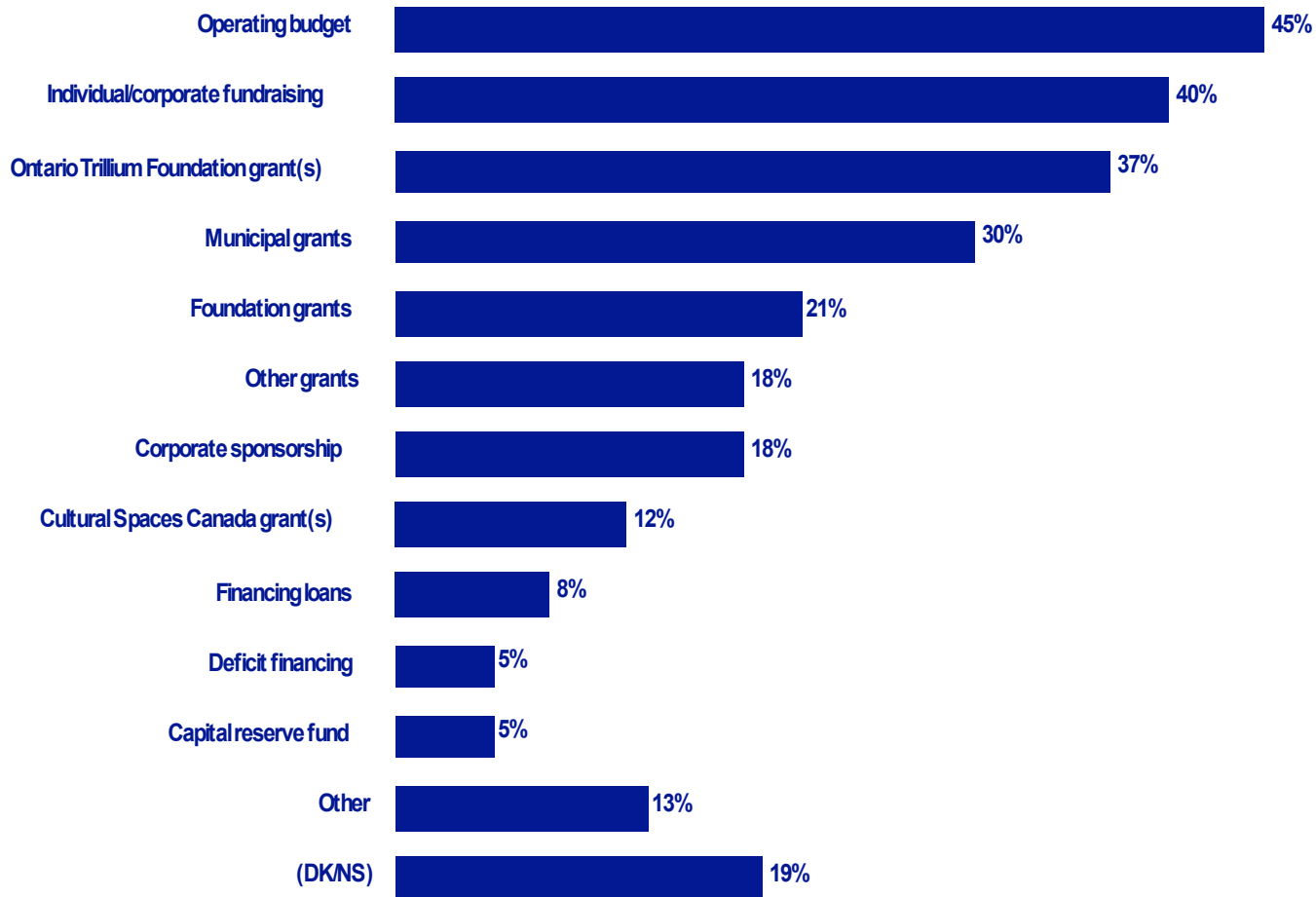
Owners of Leased Facilities



Age of owned facilities and leased facilities



Funding Sources used for capital expenditures over the past 5 years



Conclusions

- Survey findings identify that facility needs are ongoing and cyclical
- There is a backlog of demand due to lack of provincial funding for the past 15 years
- ArtsBuild will continue to advocate for a permanent fund for the small to mid-sized arts sector
- In the interim, ArtsBuild recommends a provincial infrastructure grants program that meets the needs of the small and mid-sized arts organizations

Recommendations

ArtsBuild recommends the following program design elements:

1. A dedicated budget envelope for small – mid sized organizations
2. Program eligibility must not be tied to municipal endorsement or municipal ownership as this would disenfranchise 75% of the arts community
3. Building acquisition must be eligible, as well as renovations, adaptive reuse, system upgrades etc.

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4. Ontario can learn from the low uptake of the Cultural Spaces Canada program by
 - Being the first to commit funds to worthy projects
 - Provide support through grants, rather than contribution agreements

5. Grant levels of 50% to 66% of project costs best meet the need

ArtsBuild Ontario wishes to complement capital program offered by the Ontario Trillium Foundation