



Canopy productions Has recently joined the Arts Council of New Westminister so here is a brief background on our company.

Canopy was opened around 25 years ago by Terry Armitage music teacher. After working with Devin Townsend (Juno award winner) in the late 1990's at Accent Guitar studio he decided to set up another company to work with musicians. The goal was to educate and help up and coming young bands in the music industry. Some of the bands we have worked with are **Faber Drive**-(Juno award winner) **Rykka** 2013- (Peak performance winner \$102.700)-she was the first solo female performer to win this prize—**Good for Grapes** (2014 peak performance winner \$102.700)—and many other bands.

Currently we are focusing on the all female **Sm:)e band** 16-18 years old- they have performed in New Westminister at -Uptown festival, Sapperton festival, Easter in the park, Queensborough Children's festival, Queensborough Summer Sizzle, Quayside festival, Queensborough community center "Monster Mash Bash" for Halloween, Terry Fox run for New Westminister, and a workshop at Lord Kelvin community school for "Arts Togo"

The Sm:)e band also performs throughout the lower mainland at many other events. They also like to give back to the community, so we work closely with Variety Club, YMCA, Salvation Army-appearing on CTV Toy Mountain and Terry Fox run. Affiliated with Art Starts the band in will be on tour in 2018- touring schools throughout BC.

**NorthStar** a band of 11-12 years old (2 guitar players, bass and drums)-are working hard to start performing in the spring time.

We are looking forward to working with the Arts Council of New Westminister.

Terry Armitage

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