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Local Non-Profit Receives OTF Funding to Expand Instrument Library

Oakville, Ontario, November 4, 2024 – Local non-profit Bandology is pleased to announce that they have received a \$44,800 Capital Grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF). This grant is to be used over a six month period from September 2024 to February 2025 to greatly expand their Instrument Lending Library.

Bandology's Instrument Lending Library currently comprises a variety of instruments, largely those relating to concert band, including instruments from the woodwinds, brass and percussion families. Instruments were acquired through community donations as well as an earlier Capital Grant from OTF.

“What we found in the first year of running the library was that there were certain instruments – typically those that were more expensive and trickier to transport – that were really in demand,” said Lisa Michaels, Executive Director and co-founder of Bandology. “The ability to purchase those instruments and have them available to loan out to the community is something that Bandology is extremely grateful for.”

This grant looks to further grow this collection of instruments, specifically with those instruments that are larger and often harder to acquire such as tubas and baritone saxophones. Additionally, Bandology were able to purchase classroom sets of junior instruments such as ukuleles and beginner wind instruments, the latter of which is referred to as an “instrument petting zoo.”



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Bandology is a proud Canadian non-profit dedicated to more music for more kids via education, collaboration and community. Based in Oakville, Ontario, it provides young musicians with more opportunities to play, learn and be inspired. Learn more about Bandology's programs and services at bandology.ca.

[The Ontario Trillium Foundation \(OTF\)](http://otf.ca) is an agency of the Ontario government with a mission to build healthy and vibrant communities across the province. Last year, OTF invested more than \$110M into 1,044 community projects and multi-sector partnerships. Projects aim to enhance economic well-being, foster more active lifestyles, support child and youth development, provide spaces for people to come together and connect, and create a more sustainable environment. Visit otf.ca to learn more.

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