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OTF Funding Means More Workshop Programming for Local Non-Profit

Oakville, Ontario, August 12, 2024 – Local non-profit Bandology is pleased to announce that they have received \$89,800 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation's (OTF) Resilient Communities Fund. This grant is to be used over a twelve month period from April 2024 to March 2025 to build sustainability for their music workshop programming.

Bandology's Music Workshops reached nearly 5,000 participants in 2024. Programming is largely focused on hands-on accessible learning, covering a variety of topics in order to appeal to a wide range of participants. The aim of this grant is to further the resilience and sustainability of the program, making it more efficient to run programming throughout Halton. With the Resilient Communities Fund, Bandology is now able to further develop their programming in order to serve students, educators and local community organizations.

Bandology's music workshops cover a variety of topics with a focus on accessible concepts that apply to a wide range of participants. With the Resilient Communities Fund, they were able to further develop the program in order to serve students, educators and local community organizations.

“What we found in regards to workshops is that there are a lot of people in Halton looking for something that’s hands-on, that’s musical and that they can achieve without needing prior musical knowledge in a lot of cases,” said Lisa Michaels, Executive Director and co-founder of Bandology. “The pandemic severely impacted music education and we’re still seeing the



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long-term effects of multiple years where music wasn't able to be fully experienced. We're glad to be able to fill in the gap."

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://The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF)) 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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