

As a not-for-profit organization, YES enriches the community by providing English-language support services to help Quebecers find employment and start businesses.

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Client of the Month

Liz Truchanowicz
Theatre Director/Producer

Liz is a Montreal-based theatre director and producer, a graduate of the McGill University Drama & Theatre program, and recently received her Master of Fine Arts in Directing for Stage from the University of Ottawa. She is a founding member of the independent Montreal-based company 6th Avenue Players (2004-2006). She was also assistant director at The Segal Centre for the Performing Arts at the Saidye and Tarragon Theatre in Toronto.

Liz was the grand prize winner of the YES Artists' Project Plan Contest for her proposal of *4.48 Psychosis*, the theatrical production of Sarah Kane's final play. The play will be presented at the Segal Center Lab Space in September during a three-week run (September 8-24 at 9pm) which will mark *4.48 Psychosis'* English-language premiere in Montreal.

This theatrical presentation will also be the inaugural production of *In Actu*, an independent theatre company founded with a mandate to produce independent work for the English Montreal Community.

Congratulations Liz!

For more information on Liz and her productions, please go to www.theatreinactu.com

Please note: We will be closing our offices at 4 PM on Fridays, starting Friday, June 26, 2009 until Friday, September 4, 2009.

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BUSINESS SKILLS FOR CREATIVE SOULS Montreal's artistic community unites for the 9th Annual Self-Employed Artists' Conference



Morning keynote, acclaimed actor Liane Balaban

Two hundred local English-speaking artists took part in YES Montreal's 9th Annual Self-Employed Artists' Conference: Business Skills for Creative Souls. Held once again at the Centaur Theatre, the conference provided participants with a perfect opportunity to get the business tools and inspiration to make them successful, while taking advantage of networking opportunities to strengthen their network of contacts.

Conference highlights included exciting keynote speakers acclaimed actor Liane Balaban, and author and entrepreneur, Andy Nulman, and engaging panel discussions and presentations featuring local established artists and industry professionals.

YES Montreal's awarded emerging theatre producer and director Liz Truchanowicz, as the grand prize winner of YES' Artists Project Plan Contest for her production of Sarah Kane's tragic play *4.48 Psychosis*.

"Not only will the financial contribution of this award from YES Montreal support my upcoming project, but the assistance I will receive through workshops and coaching services will provide me with the foundation, knowledge, and information I need to succeed," says Truchanowicz.

A big part of the conference's success is the transfer of knowledge and feelings of solidarity between established and emerging artists, who often work in isolation and without adequate moral and financial support.



Artists' Panel, moderated by Andy Nulman

Watch for our exciting new line-up of workshops at YES designed specifically for artists.

Our expertise at your service: Business Coaching @ YES



- Got a business plan that needs some fine-tuning?
- Need that extra push to help you start, grow or expand your business?

YES' business coach can provide you with answers to questions specific to your business needs. From evaluating your business idea to helping you assess financing options, a business coach can work with you one-on-one to address some of your concerns. There is no cost if you already have a file open with YES' Entrepreneurship Program.* Drop-in business coaching services are available every Friday from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM and do not require an open entrepreneurship file.

* For a one-time \$20 file activation fee, you will have unlimited access to specialized entrepreneurship and artists' services including coaching, legal clinics and accounting clinics. You will be exempt from this fee if you are receiving social assistance at the time of your appointment.

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