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## Cirqiniq announces summer circus camp for Nunavimmiut youth on Ungava Bay coast

**Kuujuaq (Québec), April 15, 2025** – The Kativik Regional Government (KRG) is proud to announce that the 11th Cirqiniq summer camp for Nunavimmiut youth aged 13 to 17 will take place in Kuujuaq from June 22 to 28.

Organized by the KRG Recreation Department, the summer camp welcomes 60 young people from the Ungava Coast communities of Kangiqsujuaq, Quaataq, Kangirsuk, Aupaluk, Tasiujaq, Kangiqsualujuaq and Kuujuaq. Participants receive training from a dedicated, multidisciplinary team of circus artists, as well as support from psychosocial workers who encourage youth wellness and healthy lifestyles. They also learn an array of performing skills including juggling, acrobatics, aerial arts, clown and balancing arts, and enjoy cultural activities and workshops.

As part of the program, circus participants will present a free community circus show to Kuujuaqmiut on June 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kuujuaq town theatre.

Cirqiniq is a regional social circus program that provides inclusive and accessible opportunities for Inuit youth in Nunavik. It creates the space for youth to develop physical skills, to experience healthy emotional growth, and to further integrate their knowledge and awareness of Inuit culture.

Cirqiniq also provides train-the-trainer opportunities to novice Inuit instructors. This training integrates Inuit culture and continuous opportunities to mentor and apply artistic creation skills.

Quote:

“Our young Nunavimmiut are strong, innovative and resilient. The circus arts and the Cirqiniq camps enable our youth to be creative, have a sense of pride and belonging, and to incorporate traditional Inuit values in a modern and youthful way.”

— Hilda Snowball, Chairperson, KRG

The Kativik Regional Government provides comprehensive public services to Nunavimmiut under the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (1975). The KRG is governed by a Council made up of 17 elected members from the 14 Nunavik municipalities, an elected Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, and the Chief of the Naskapi First Nation of Kawawachikamach.

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