

Programming Details

Radio LUMI is “Luminato for your ears”. Each day revolves around Luminato’s core programming, particularly highlighting the work of Disabled artists, while also providing additional context about Audio Description and other accessibility initiatives at Luminato. Produced by **Dev Ramsawakh** with Blind & Low Vision hosts **Christine Malec** and **Ramya Amuthan** with audio describers **Rebecca Singh** and **JJ Hunt**.

Station ID composed by G.R. Gritt.

Off Air Music composed by Teneshia T. Samuel, Madam Sad, Robin Jupiter, and Mattmac.

Welcome to Radio LUMI

Meet the team and learn what’s in store you over the festival.

LUMI Live

Start off with a Live Broadcast led by a rotating team of hosts. Segments include important context and descriptive pre-show notes to deepen your listening experience.

Worth Noting

Join our hosts as they provide the listener with additional context for the main program including program notes, location descriptions and other visual cues, while also discussing the larger themes within the work from their own perspectives. Segments include interviews with artists and creators such as Denise Bolduc, Brian Solomon, Candace Scott-Moore, Edward Burtynsky, and more.

Core Programs with Audio Description / Described video:

- [Zaagidiwin](#) film described by JJ Hunt
- [Built On Genocide](#) installation image descriptions by JJ Hunt
- [New Monuments](#) film: described video by Rebecca Singh
- [Encountering Edward Burtynsky’s In The Wake of Progress](#) film described by JJ Hunt
[Henry G20: Armchair Experience](#): description of app by Rebecca Singh, hosted by Ramya Amuthan.

Core Programs with Descriptive Introductions:

- Live stream of [The Big Idea: Police Accountability](#): Tune in early for LUMI Live when Rebecca Singh will set the stage for your listening experience, live from location.
- Live stream of [Measha’s Gospel Brunch](#): Tune in early for LUMI Live when Rebecca Singh will set the stage for your listening experience, live from location.
- [Guided By Starlight](#): Starting each night at 9pm, enjoy an introduction by our Host, an overview by music curator, Rosina Kazi, and a descriptive pre-show summary before hearing the audio of *Guided By Starlight*. This 5-part music series travels across Toronto’s wide-ranging neighbourhoods and musical genres, offering an insider’s look at the places and spaces that inform each artist’s work.

Additional programs:

Access Advisory: Artist spotlight

Exclusive content! LUMI hosts, Ramya Amuthan and Christine Malec each sit down with a member of [Luminato's Access Advisory](#) to debrief on their work and delve into their experience as a Disabled artist. These conversations bring attention to a wide range of disabilities, both visible and invisible, and creative strategies applied both in artistic practice and daily life. Featuring Jessica Watkin and Jack Hawk.

The Art of Audio Description (Part 1 & 2)

Part 1 - Listen to this podcast created by Christine Malec based on her interview with artist and audio describer, Rebecca Singh, during one of the biweekly Lunch & Learn sessions at Luminato this past winter. Learn how the art of storytelling is essential to the process, and what it takes to make the visuals truly come alive as a listening experience. Part 2 – Go deeper with Ramya Amuthan and JJ Hunt as they pick up the conversation, sharing their personal stories of audio description as either a creator or consumer.

Ideas Program:

Protest Radio (Part I & II)

- 2 x 30-minute audio tracks with curated DJ set from a prominent activist DJ (Syrus Marcus Ware), with audio clips from activists who were at the G20 protests in 2020 interwoven into the track.

Artists in Conversation: Edward Burtynsky + Allie Rougeot

- In-depth “fireside chat” between Ed Burtynsky and Allie Rougeot looking at environmental sustainability and renewal. What role are humans playing in destruction, what’s happening, what’s helping, what role does COVID-19 play?

Artists in Conversation: Umbereen Inayet + Christine Brubaker

- In-depth “fireside chat” with two of the key artists in the festival. Umbereen Inayet and Christine Brubaker will discuss incorporating activism into their work and their practice, within the structure of an international festival, and digitally. What stories are they trying to tell? Who gets to tell these stories? What role does Toronto play in these stories? How are we sharing this activism across the world?

Artist Spotlights

Short segments where you can hear contributing artists speak about their perspective on art and life, including Greyson Gritt, Jack Hawk, Jessica Watkin, and CRIP COLLAB editors and contributors.

LUMI Goodbye

Our final live segment of the festival with the whole team. Hear a quick recap of the festival events, the hosts’ final thoughts, and learn what’s coming up in the final hours of Radio LUMI.