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1 Vermont Circus Festival was a resounding success

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4 The goal set by the New England Center for Circus Arts  
5 in creating the Vermont Circus Festival, on Nov. 2–9, was to  
6 culturally and economically enliven New England's rural  
7 community through circus arts.

8 NECCA's leadership team extends a deeply heartfelt  
9 thank you to all the supporters in our community who helped  
10 make this event a resounding success.

11 It was the first Festival of its kind, and brought visitors to  
12 Vermont from far and near — from all over the U.S. and from  
13 Panama and Ireland.

14 Attendees saw circus shows, took workshops, joined  
15 seminars on circus history and circus-influenced art. Clowns ice  
16 skated to celebrate the 50th birthday of the ice rink, painters  
17 drew circus artists, and retirement homes and the middle school  
18 echoed with laughter from free shows. At the Trapezium, three  
19 performances entertained hundreds.

20 We thank our community collaborators, supporters,  
21 grantors, and in-kind supporters, as well as the many downtown  
22 businesses that displayed the artwork of highlighted artist Karen  
23 E. Gersch.

24 Thank you to everyone who volunteered and participated  
25 — and save the date for Nov. 1-8, 2026!

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