

Subject: Request to Attend Departure 2026 for Professional Growth

Hi [Manager's Name],

I'd like to request support to attend the **2026 Departure Conference + Festival**, taking place **May 4–10, 2026** in Toronto, Ontario. Departure is more than a conference; it is a vital commercial hub, all focused on amplifying the impact of creative work globally.

With a Departure [Priority, Conference, or NextGen] Pass, I'll have access to:

- Keynotes and Dialogues Sessions from cultural thought leaders and creative entrepreneurs
- Carefully curated panels and workshops across 7 Content Tracks
- One-on-one mentor sessions with experienced professionals
- High-value networking opportunities with global decision-makers
- Countless chances to spot what's next before it reaches the mainstream

Why it matters to our team:

- Concentrated, high-value networking in one week (faster than months of separate meetings)
- Early insight into emerging technologies, cultural shifts, and market disruptions
- Rapid competitive intelligence by seeing how peers and competitors are innovating
- Direct access to potential partners and talent that could create significant ROI
- Accelerated professional growth I can bring back and share with the team

Estimated Costs:

- Travel: [Insert Estimate]
- Lodging: [Insert Estimate]

- Event Registration: [Insert Pass + Cost]

Registering early will save on the on-site rate and secure better hotel options. Departure also offers group discounts if we want to send our team.

Thank you for considering this request—I'm confident the insights, connections, and opportunities from Departure will directly benefit our work.

Best,
[Your Name]

Quick Pitch Option

Subject: Departure 2026 – Professional Development Request

Hi [Manager's Name],

I'd like to attend **Departure 2026 in Toronto, May 4–10**. It's one of the world's leading events for innovation and professional growth, bringing together cultural thought leaders across tech, film & TV, music, and culture.

Why it's worth it:

- Access to world-class speakers, panels, and workshops
- High-value networking in one week (instead of months of separate meetings)
- Early insight into new trends and competitive strategies
- ROI through potential partners, talent, and fresh ideas to bring back to our team

Estimated Cost: [Pass, travel, lodging]

Registering early saves money and locks in the best hotel options.

I'm confident this experience will directly benefit our work, and I'd love to share key takeaways with the team afterward.

Thanks for considering,
[Your Name]