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Fall Into the Arts: Rotary Centre for the Arts Announces New Season of Arts Programs

(Kelowna, BC) The Rotary Centre for the Arts (RCA) is bringing the community together this fall with a vibrant lineup of programs that celebrate creativity and connection. From painting and storytelling to music and dance, RCA's fall workshops offer inspiring opportunities for people of all ages and skill levels. And with the Canadian Country Music Awards (CCMAs) coming to Kelowna in September, the RCA is joining the celebration with special country-themed events that capture the spirit, style, and sound of Canada's biggest country music week.

"The Rotary Centre for the Arts offers arts programs that inspire creativity, build connections, and celebrate the arts in all their forms," said Colleen Fitzpatrick, Executive Director of the Rotary Centre for the Arts. "We're especially excited this fall to showcase a wide variety of workshops and events for every age group, while also joining in the excitement of welcoming the Canadian Country Music Awards to Kelowna. It's a season that truly reflects the vibrancy and diversity of our community."

2025 Fall Programs:

Adult Programs

RCA's fall adult workshops offer a diverse range of opportunities for artistic exploration. Whether you want to unleash your creativity with painting, enhance your textile art skills, learn singing techniques or relax through sonic sound baths, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Programs include:

- Sing for the Soul (Tuesdays, October 7 December 22)
- Beyond the Music (Wednesdays, September 17 December 17)
- Painting with the Masters (Mondays, October 6 November 24)
- Crocheting October (Wednesdays, October 8 22)

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- *Crocheting November* (Wednesdays, November 5 − 19)
- Community Choral Workshop with Vancouver Chamber Choir (Sunday, December 7)

Youth Programs

Encouraging creative growth for youth, RCA offers hands-on experiences in art and theatre. These programs are designed to inspire young artists, helping them build new skills and confidence.

Programs include:

- Anime (Thursdays, October 2 November 20)
- Drama Llamas (October 7 November 25)
- Arts Blast Pro-D Day Camp (Friday, October 24)

Family-Friendly Workshops

Family Art Saturdays return with new themed workshops designed to bring families together through creativity. Explore diverse artistic traditions with the whole family and create lasting memories together.

Programs include:

- Family Crafts Halloween (Saturday, October 25)
- Family Crafts For Keepsakes (Saturday, November 21)
- Family Crafts Winter Wonderland (Saturday, December 20)

Seniors Programs

We are thrilled to bring programs for seniors that combine artistic expression with physical movement and lifelong learning. These workshops promote engagement and offer a dynamic space for seniors to explore new forms of creativity.

Programs include:

- Sounds and Motion (Mondays, October 6 November 24)
- Watercolour Painting (Mondays, October 6 November 24)
- Journals and Book Arts (Fridays, October 3 November 14)
- Dance Around the World (Saturday, October 25)

How to Register:

Visit the RCA website to view the full schedule and register for your preferred programs: https://rotarycentreforthearts.com/learn/programs

In celebration of the 2025 Canadian Country Music Awards (CCMAs) coming to Kelowna in September, the Rotary Centre for the Arts is also launching a series of community events that bring together the sounds, style, and spirit of country culture.

Adult Programs

- Beer & Bedazzle Your Cowgirl Hat (Saturday, September 6)
- Contra Line Dancing (Tuesdays, Sept 2, 3, 9 & 10)

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Family Programs

- Family Country Hat Decorating Workshop (Saturday, September 6)
- Family Square Dance Social (Tuesdays, Sept 2, 3, 9 & 10)
- RCA Grand Ole Opry (Friday, September 12)

How to Register:

Visit the RCA website to view the full schedule and register for your preferred programs: https://rotarycentreforthearts.com/events/special-events/ccma-2025/

Join us this fall at the Rotary Centre for the Arts to unleash your creativity, strengthen community connections, and explore new artistic horizons.

About the Rotary Centre for the Arts

Located in the heart of Kelowna's Cultural District, the <u>Rotary Centre for the Arts</u> is a multidisciplinary visual and performing arts centre. The RCA improves the economic, cultural, and social quality of life in the community by fostering participation in, and appreciation of the arts. The RCA brings together individuals of all ages and backgrounds to share in the excitement of strengthening art and culture in the Okanagan celebrating creative expression through diverse art forms and disciplines. The Rotary Centre for the Arts respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the Syilx/Okanagan People.