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RCA Presents 2025/2026 Season Officially Announced: Early Ticket Access Now Available to Members

(Kelowna, BC) - The Rotary Centre for the Arts (RCA) is thrilled to unveil the RCA Presents 2025/2026 season lineup, featuring an exciting mix of standout performances in live music, comedy, theatre, and dance. Taking place in the intimate and iconic Mary Irwin Theatre, this signature series offers something for every artistic appetite.

"At the RCA, we believe that our performance series is a vital way to champion artists and energize the cultural life of Kelowna," says Colleen Fitzpatrick, Executive Director. "RCA Presents is more than just a lineup of shows, it's our commitment to providing diversity, opportunity, and visibility for both local and touring artists whose work sparks conversation, meaning, and connection in our community."

From concerts and stand-up to boundary-pushing theatrical productions and dance showcases, the new season promises a rich and diverse cultural experience in the heart of Kelowna's Cultural District. This season's highlights include *Play Dead* by Montreal's People Watching Collective, one of the most innovative and genredefying contemporary circus shows in recent years, as well as stand-up performances by acclaimed comedian Charlie Demers. The season also proudly features Indigenous artists DerRic Starlight (award-winning comedian, puppeteer) and Dallas Arcand, a four-time world champion hoop dancer. Rudresh Mahanthappa, the Director of Jazz at Princeton University and Guggenheim Fellow, performs with his Hero Trio, and renowned dancer Jose Navas performs his solo work, AVES. Another anticipated performance includes Chloe Davidson (of Under the Rocks), a local fan-favourite album release, and many more remarkable shows.

"We're incredibly proud of this season's lineup," says Andrew Stauffer, Theatre Programming Director of the Rotary Centre for the Arts. "It reflects our commitment to presenting exceptional live performance experiences that inspire and connect and the vibrancy of our arts community."

RCA Theatre Members receive exclusive early access to tickets starting today, while the general public sale begins Thursday, June 19.

RCA Theatre Membership Benefits:

- 20% off all RCA Presents shows (up to 2 tickets per performance)
- Pre-sale access to additional RCA Presents shows added throughout the season
- Early seat selection for newly added RCA Presents performances
- Free ticket exchanges for RCA Presents shows (upgrade fees apply if switching to a higher-priced show)
- Exclusive promos and discounts throughout the season
- Partner perks and savings with Ballet Kelowna, Current Taxi, and more
- Valid for the 2025–2026 RCA Presents season: September 19, 2025 June 10, 2026

Become a member for \$45 and help support the continued growth of the performing arts in Kelowna. Tickets and full season details are available at www.rotarycentreforthearts.com.

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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.