

Welcome to another exciting season of creativity and spectacle, comedy and story-telling, the list goes on!

Each year, we are thrilled to present a new program of shows, an engaging lineup of exhibits, and ongoing opportunities to collaborate with community partners. As the cultural heart of North Bay, we offer our patrons, artists and community members an environment that inspires, creates and showcases performing and visual arts.

We are pleased to welcome so many Canadian artists to the Capitol Centre with a special Oh Canada series featuring a diverse mix of Canadian patriotism and talent! We are also excited to celebrate the City of North Bay's Centennial Anniversary with a commemorative exhibit in the WKP Kennedy Gallery and a Centennial Screening Series in the Betty Speers Theatre. This year, we have expanded the shows offered to local schools and students thanks to a very generous sponsor – more information on the Rotary Club of North Bay's Education Series included in this program.

We have some big events coming up, starting with the Bay Block Party 2025, which the Capitol Centre is proudly co-hosting for the first time. Our annual fundraiser has evolved over the years, now rebranded as Benefit Bash, yet it still promises the same exciting experience with top-notch entertainment, delicious samples, and auction items up for bidding—all in support of community outreach and engagement that benefits both members of the community and local arts organizations.

This upcoming season will introduce you to new stories, diverse cultures, emerging artists, and talented superstars. None of this would be possible without the generosity of Capitol Centre sponsors, members, and volunteers who dedicate their time and resources. We are also incredibly fortunate to have a skilled and engaged staff who form the backbone of this organization.

This season, as always, has been thoughtfully curated with you in mind! We aim to present a wide range of multi-disciplinary performances that appeal to everyone—from our littlest audiences to first-time visitors and our loyal supporters. We truly appreciate your continued support and eagerly anticipate welcoming you back. Enjoy the show!

Katina Connolly
Executive Director





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WKP KENNEDY GALLERY

UPCOMING 2025 GALLERY EXHITBITIONS!

MAY 27TH- AUGUST 23RD / GALLERY I

Pattern/Perspective: A Survey of Work by Lizz Aston

Drawing from the rich histories of textile production, lace-making, and the decorative arts, Aston explores our deep connection to textiles as a visual language that evokes memory and association.

MAY 27TH- AUGUST 23RD / GALLERY II

100 Years, 100 Perspectives Square Foot Show

This inclusive exhibition offers a creative platform for the entire community to share their personal perspectives, uniting in a collective tribute to North Bay's centennial celebration.

SEPTEMBER 12TH- OCTOBER 25TH / GALLERY I

'Curatorial Mentorship Program' Solo Exhibition

We invite emerging artists without prior solo exhibition experience to submit proposals for their very own solo show. Deadline to Apply is: June 10th, 2025. Learn more at capitolcentre.org

SEPTEMBER 12TH- OCTOBER 25TH / GALLERY II

Full Circle: Community Group Exhibition

This exhibition invites artists to explore the creative potential of the circular composition—any size, any surface! We welcome artists working in all styles and disciplines—whether abstract, figurative, graphic, textile, ceramic, or beyond.

NOVEMBER 14TH - DECEMBER 20TH / GALLERY I

'Deck the walls' Holiday Art Sale

Each year, we transform our gallery into a visual wonderland, adorning the walls from floor to ceiling with an exquisite array of local art submissions.

NOV 14TH- DECEMBER 20TH / GALLERY II

'Franco Contemporain' Solo Exhibition

In collaboration with BRAVO (Bureau des regroupements des artistes visuels de l'ontario), we are excited to invite proposals for a solo exhibition opportunity. Deadline to apply is August 26th.

GALLERY EVENTS

MAY 30TH/ JULY 11TH/ SEPT 19TH Downtown Gallery Hop

MAY 31ST/ SEP 20TH/ OCT 18TH/ NOV 1ST/ 1-3PM

Life Drawing Drop-In Session

\$10 / Bring your own art supplies

JUNE 10TH/ 12 NOON

Deadline to apply: Curatorial Mentorship Solo Exhibition Opportunity

AUGUST 26TH/ 12 NOON

Deadline to apply: Franco Contemporain IV Solo Exhibit Opportunity

SEPTEMBER 12TH/ 6-9PM

Opening reception for September Exhibitions

FREE / Meet the artists!

OCTOBER 28 - NOV 01

Capitol Centre Benefit Bash: Silent Art Auction

NOVEMBER 14TH/6-9PM

Opening reception for November Exhibitions

FREE / Meet the artists!



We are always looking for new emerging, mid-level or professional talent to display their work on our gallery walls. Click HERE to learn more.

Fun Fact: Did you know the gallery is open 1.5 hrs before Capitol Centre shows? Be sure to peek inside the next time you have tickets to the theatre!

Series OH CANADA!

Show some love for the incredible talent hailing from the Great White North! This lively series showcases an epic mix of seasoned superstars and fresh new faces taking centre stage. Get ready to cheer, clap, and maybe even do a little Canadian jig as you embrace the beats and creativity of our talented Country!



THE MAPLE BLUES REVUE

REGULAR \$49 MEMBER \$44

The Maple Blues Revue is a world class blues presentation featuring The Maple Blues Band performing a collection of instrumental compositions from their two studio recordings augmented with electrifying vocal performances by featured guests Jay Douglas, Suzie Vinnick & Samantha Martin







CROWN LANDS

REGULAR \$35 MEMBER \$30 STUDENT \$25

Fusing elements of prog, classic rock, and world music, they've garnered international acclaim, winning a Juno Award for Breakthrough Artist of the Year and earning two nominations for Rock Album of the Year.



NORTHERN STRUM

REGULAR \$40 MEMBER \$35 STUDENT/SENIOR \$30

CARL DIXON AND SEAN KELLY ARE NORTHERN STRUM- Canadian stars perform beloved Canadian music across our nation at a time when it's never been more important to proclaim our Canadian identity!



PRETTY ARCHIE: CAPE BRETON SOUND, EAST COAST SPIRIT

REGULAR \$30 MEMBER \$25 STUDENT \$15

Pretty Archie's genuine, heartfelt writing connects listeners with a saltwater perspective on modern living. The fun-loving and at times heartbreaking music finds common ground in the blurred genres of Country, Folk, Bluegrass and Americana.

MEMBERSHIPS

Become a member of the Capitol Centre and unlock exclusive benefits while supporting the arts. Join us in celebrating creativity and culture and experience the joy of making a difference in our community!

VOTING MEMBER*

\$50 ANNUALLY

- A charitable tax receipt
- · Vote at Annual General Meeting
- · Subscription to Capitol Centre e-newsletter
- · Invitation to public Season Launch Event
- Invitation to WKP Kennedy Gallery Exhibit Opening Receptions
- Advance notice and purchase of all Capitol Centre Presents performances

ARTS BENEFACTOR \$250 ANNUALLY

Includes all lower level perks plus:

- Four (4) Capitol Centre Cinema tickets
- Opportunity to be part of the Preferred Seating Program**
- · Acknowledgement in performance programs
- Invitation to special Members Only events throughout the season

ARTS AMBASSADOR \$100 ANNUALLY

Includes all lower level perks plus:

- Discounted ticket prices for all Capitol Centre Presents performances
- · No handling/seat exchange fees (except online)
- Buy-One-Get-One-Free on select Capitol Centre Presents performances
- Discounted WKP Kennedy Gallery workshops and events
- Recognition on Member Appreciation screen in Capitol Centre lobby

ARTS VISIONARY

\$500 ANNUALLY

Includes all lower level perks plus:

- Buy-One-Get-One-Free tickets to Capitol Centre Benefit Bash
- Discount on facility rental rates (does not include theatre rentals)
- · Discount on WKP Kennedy Gallery art sales
- Two (2) guided tours/private viewings of WKP Kennedy Gallery permanent collection

WAYS TO PURCHASE

Online: capitolcentre.org By phone: 705-474-4747 In person: Capitol Centre Redpath Box Office - 150 Main St E, North Bay

Please note: You must fully complete your Membership purchase or renewal transaction before ticket discounts are enabled.

^{*} Please note: the Voting Membership is not available for purchase online. It can only be purchased by calling or visiting the Capitol Centre Redpath Box Office.

^{**}Preferred seats to be chosen when purchasing Arts Benefactor or Arts Visionary membership. Seats will be held for member pre-sale and released when public on sale starts. Please note preferred seats need to be purchased through the Capitol Centre Redpath Box Office directly during member pre-sale (not available online).



Join the Capitol Centre as we sail away with 3 unique cruises aboard the Chief Commanda II!

This series returns for another year with an epic Country, Rock, and Blues themed cruise,
all featuring talented local bands. Must be +19 to attend.

CLASSIC ROCK CRUISE

JUL 25 | FEATURING BLUE SCREW

COUNTRY CRUISE

AUG 8 | FEATURING THE COUNTY

BLUES CRUISE

AUG 29 | FEATURING THE JESSE THOMAS BAND

REGULAR \$60 *3-PACK \$135

*3-Pack bundle includes 1 ticket per cruise.



DISCOVERY

Step into a world of wonder, where every show is a new adventure waiting to be unveiled! Whether it's an intriguing piece you've never seen or a reimagined classic, this series invites you to break out of the norm and explore the extraordinary. Who knows what gems you might uncover?







REGULAR \$35 MEMBER FREE STUDENT/SENIOR \$20

That's the sound of Charlie A'Court and his new album, San Palarino.



JULIAN TAYLOR & LOGAN STAATS - SONGS AND STORIES

REGULAR \$35 MEMBER FREE STUDENT \$20

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the very first time.



AUDIENCE ETIQUETTE

All Capitol Centre Staff and Volunteers have the right to a safe and respectful work environment. Please treat Staff and Volunteers with respect and kindness, as they will do the same for you.

Absolutely no flash photography is permitted. Some events do not permit any kind of photography or recording and patrons will be made aware as needed.

Please keep your fellow patrons in mind when using your mobile devices during performances as bright screens can be distracting to patrons and performers.

Try to only leave your seat during a lull in the performance (i.e., between songs or bits, during intermission, etc.) to prevent disruptions to your fellow patrons and the artists. Our Ushers will help escort you back to your seat during these lulls as well.

Some staff, volunteers, and patrons have sensitivities to scents. The Capitol Centre is a scent-free environment, so please refrain from applying Scented personal products (such as fragrances, colognes, lotions and powders) that are perceptible to others.



OUTREACH & EDUCATION

The Capitol Centre is deeply committed to making a positive impact in our community. We understand the importance of accessible programming, and that's why we operate the WKP Kennedy Gallery as a welcoming space with free admission for all.

We take great pride in offering a variety of additional programs designed to enrich lives through art and culture, including:

- Arts for All
- Rotary Club of North Bay Education Series
- Arts Worker Promotions
- Free Family Films and Events

These efforts are made possible through the generous support of our donors, members, sponsors, and fundraising initiatives.

For more information regarding our Outreach & Education programs, click here.

EDUCATION SERIES



The Rotary Club of North Bay Education Series is dedicated to inspiring youth using the performing arts with the intention of being more than a traditional field trip. These performances are being offered exclusively as part of the education series and will not be available to the public. There are no ticketing costs for the attendees.



OCT. 16, 2025, 10:00 AM

Where Have All The Buffalo Gone?

Filled with stories about the Sun Traveller and the Callihoo family, incorporating a life-like buffalo puppet. Inspired by historical events of the Métis people of Canada, this original play for young audiences explores the loves, the losses and the fight of Treaty 6's Métis people and their love and kinship to the buffalo. Recommended for Grades 4-12



NOV. 6, 2025, 1:00 PM

Pinkalicious! The Musical

This is the tale of Pinkalicious who can't stop eating pink cupcakes despite warnings from her parents. Her pink indulgence lands her at the doctor's office with Pinkititis, an affliction that turns her pink from head to toe - a dream come true for this pink loving enthusiast. But when her hue goes too far, only Pinkalicious can figure out a way to get out of this predicament. Recommended for Grades JK - 5



JAN. 19, 2026, 10:30 AM

Ventastic

Ventastic is a program that blends the artistry of ventriloquism, captivating storytelling, and enchanting puppetry to spark the imaginations of children. Through this unique experience, students are introduced to one of the oldest disciplines in the performing arts, discovering the magic that lies within the world of performance. Recommended for Grades 1-8



FEB. 18, 2026, 10:00AM & 1:00 PM

Shaun Boothe: Live Your Legacy

Shaun Boothe pours his talent into a presentation designed to motivate young audiences using rap songs that chronicle the extraordinary lives of cultural icons. His engaging take on the trails blazed by cultural giants like Malala Yousafzai, Terry Fox and Bob Marley, imbues students with the courage to find their own paths. Recommended for Grades 2-10



APR. 23, 2026, 10:00AM (ENGLISH) & 1:00 PM (FRENCH)

Will's Jams / Chanter avec Will

This interactive performance features music from his 12 nationally acclaimed albums, and explores the themes of literacy, science, math, multilingualism, imagination and creativity, and living a healthy and active lifestyle – all of which ties into the arts-integrated school curriculum. Recommended for Grades JK - 7

CELEBRATION

Whether celebrating the music of an artist, a genre that defined a generation or the most wonderful time of the year, these are the classic performances that stand the test of time! Bringing families together and creating memories to share with future generations of theatre and music lovers, be sure to come out and celebrate these fantastic acts!



OCTOBER 4 AT 7:30 PM

THE LAST WALTZ: A MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF THE BAND

REGULAR \$55 MEMBER \$50

Lance Anderson's critically acclaimed performance of 'The Last Waltz - a Musical Celebration of The BAND - Live' celebrates the 49th Anniversary of the historic concert in 2025.



BALLET JÖRGEN- THE NUTCRACKER: A CANADIAN TRADITION

REGULAR \$50 MEMBER \$45 STUDENT/CHILD \$30

Created by acclaimed choreographer and Artistic Director Bengt Jörgen to Tchaikovsky's well-loved score, this delightful classic is a favourite that brings magic to the holidays.



CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: PURPLE RAIN

REGULAR \$50 MEMBER \$45

Do you remember listening to an entire album? The thrill of dropping the needle on the greatest music ever recorded? Classic Albums Live does. Classic Albums Live takes the greatest classic rock albums and recreates them live on stage note for note, cut for cut.







The City of North Bay has a variety of parking options around the Capitol Centre. Paid parking is in effect Monday-Friday until 4:30 pm.

Visitors can access free parking in the following locations:

- One hour free on-street (within the Downtown Improvement Area boundaries)
- Two hours free in Lot 2 (Oak Street)
- Two hours free in Lot 4 (Parking Garage)

SPONSORSHIP

As a non-profit charitable organization, the Capitol Centre depends on corporate sponsorship to continue serving as the heart and soul of arts, culture, and entertainment in our region.

We offer a range of sponsorship levels for both monetary and in-kind support, each accompanied by unique benefits, including performance tickets, advertising opportunities, and recognition on stage, through social media, and on performance posters.

Join us in making a lasting impact by contacting:

Lisa Krueger
Manager of Sponsorship
& Fund Development
lkrueger@capitolcentre.org
705-474-1944 ext. 250

DONATIONS

The Capitol Centre is truly grateful for the invaluable support of our community. Your generosity helps us maintain a welcoming and inclusive space where creativity can flourish for everyone in North Bay and the surrounding areas.

Thanks to the kindness of patrons like you, we can keep ticket prices affordable and continue to offer vital Outreach and Education Programs. We deeply appreciate your support – together, we can make a meaningful difference! Thank you for being a part of our community.

ONLINE

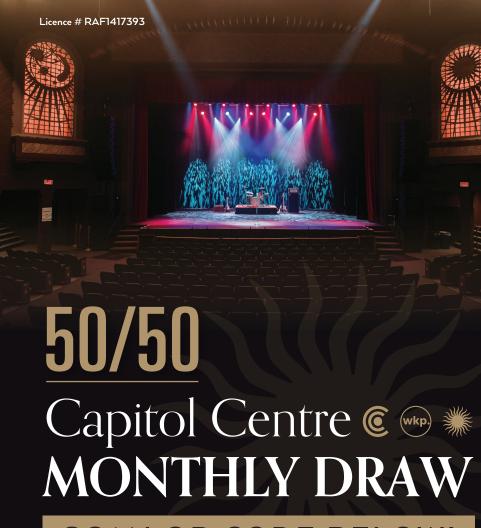
Click here to make a donation on our website. Donations of any amount will qualify for tax receipts which will be issued instantly via CanadaHelps. Monthly recurring donations options are available.

MAIL

Please make cheques payable to the Capitol Centre. Only donations of \$20 or more are eligible for tax receipts, which will be issued by February of the following year.

PHONE

Please call the Redpath Box Office at (705) 474-4747, Monday to Friday, between 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Only donations of \$20 or more are eligible for tax receipts, which will be issued by February of the following year.



SCAN QR CODE BELOW!



Funds raised will support accessible programming throughout the year, such as Free Family Films, the Arts for All program, operating the WKP Kennedy Gallery with no admission fees, our Education Series, and so much more.

VARIETY

Why settle for just one kind of entertainment when you can have it all? This series offers up a smorgasbord of original theatre productions, gut-busting comedy, mesmerizing wonder acts, and jaw-dropping acrobatics! With many performances that are perfect for all ages, get ready to laugh, cheer, and be amazed!

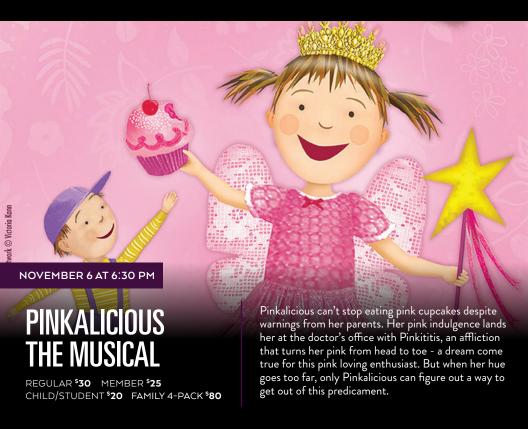




HAPPY JACK'S MOTEL

REGULAR \$35 MEMBER \$30 STUDENT \$25

Dangerously funny, with a healthy dose of hijinks and just a touch of gore, Happy Jack's Motel brings you back to the Decade of Greed in a way that you've never experienced before.





CHRIS FUNK- THE WONDERIST: REDEFINING WONDER

REGULAR \$40 MEMBER \$35 CHILD/STUDENT \$30 FAMILY 4-PACK \$120 An engaging multimedia experience that has audiences talking and scratching their heads for years to come. Finally, a magic show with live music! Chris has pioneered the use of instruments like the violin, guitar, sax and more into his illusions.



CURIOUS GEORGE: THE GOLDEN MEATBALL

REGULAR \$40 MEMBER \$35 CHILD/STUDENT \$30 FAMILY 4-PACK \$120 Curious George: The Golden Meatball is a loveable adventure, specifically designed for young audiences, that is sure to leave your audiences singing and swinging down the aisles.



TEN THOUSAND HOURS

REGULAR \$45 MEMBER \$40 CHILD/SENIOR \$30 FAMILY 4-PACK \$120 Eight world class acrobats investigate physical skill. Through highlighting the nuance of high-level acrobatics, audiences experience a heightened appreciation of the countless hours required to master the skills they are witnessing.

JUST FOR LAUGHS ROAD SHOW 2026

APRIL 14 AT 7:30 PM

JUST FOR LAUGHS: ROAD SHOW 2026

REGULAR \$50 MEMBER \$45 STUDENT/SENIOR \$35

The Just For Laughs Road Show will bring four hilarious comedians for an evening of belly laughs and busted guts.

ACCESSIBILITY

CAPITOL CENTRE

All public areas of the Capitol Centre are accessible spaces, including washrooms on each floor, the 2nd Floor Cooperators Spotlight Lounge, WKP Kennedy Gallery, Redpath Box Office, and the Betty Speers Theatre (with the exception of the balcony seating).

An elevator is available for access to the administration floor and the basement for events in other parts of the building. (During non-performance days see the Box Office Associate to have it unlocked for you.)

There are two accessible parking spots in the municipal parking lot behind the Capitol Centre with a ramp for access at the McIntyre St. entrance.

Front of House staff and volunteers are provided with training on AODA Customer Service Standard and appropriate methods to serve disabled visitors best.

BETTY SPEERS THEATRE

We acknowledge that not all accessibility needs are the same and look forward to working with you to ensure your seating needs are met. Please call the Box Office to speak with one of our knowledgeable staff who can offer guidance in choosing seating that works best for your specific accessibility needs.

We do have accessible seating designated for those with mobility

issues. For seating outside of this section, there are railings in the theatre to assist patrons going down the stairs. Please note that there is no elevator access to the balcony.

We are able to accommodate service animals. Support persons are offered a complimentary ticket when accompanying an individual who requires support for accessibility reasons.

WKP KENNEDY GALLERY

Accessible seating is available for viewing exhibitions, and service animals are also accommodated. The gallery staff and volunteers are available to help make arrangements for your accessibility needs.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Enjoy classic performances and community programming on our Betty Speers Theatre stage! Tickets will go on sale at a later date.

DECEMBER 2-3 / 7:00 PM

Haleyfest

Local school choirs return for their annual Christmas performances - you won't want to miss this! Join them in celebrating the most festive time of year.

DECEMBER 7 / 12 PM

Children's Open House

Celebrate the Children's Holiday Open House with free, family-friendly, holiday-themed activities!

FEBRUARY 5-6, 2026 / 7:00 PM

Banff Centre International Film Festival

With stops planned in over 600 communities and more than 40 countries across the globe, the Banff World Tour celebrates amazing achievements in outdoor storytelling and filmmaking worldwide! From the over 400 entries submitted into the Festival each year, award-winners and audience favorites are among the films that are carefully selected to play in theatres around the world.

MARCH 7, 2026 / 7:30 PM

22 Wing Concert

This group consists of approximately 60 personnel who, with the exception of the Band Director, are volunteer musicians from all walks of life, both military and civilian. The band features a 16 Piece Stage Ensemble, Jazz Quartet and Brass Quartet.





HOT TICKET

Where the big hits are at, these shows are guaranteed to be a blast! With thrilling performances and electrifying energy, they're bound to draw in huge crowds and sell faster than you can say "front row seats"! Don't miss your chance to be part of the action!







stories with spellbinding guitar fury.

REGULAR \$80 MEMBER \$75



Arden as she puts her unique spin on the classics you know and love, featured on her 2015 release

'A Jann Arden Christmas'.



GRAND SHANGHAI CIRCUS

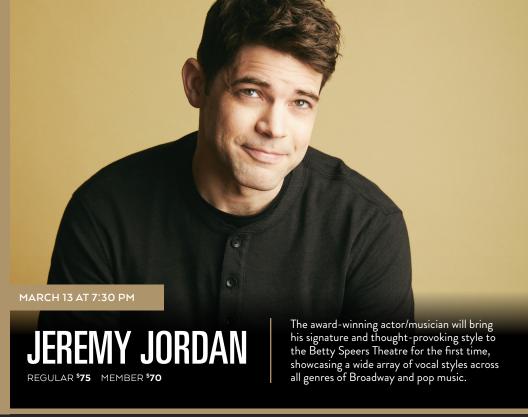
REGULAR \$50 MEMBER \$45 CHILD/STUDENT \$35 FAMILY 4-PACK \$140 Astonishing athletes defy gravity and execute breathtaking feats as they stretch the limits of human ability in this spellbinding show. Every age will be amazed with the entire full-scale production through twenty different acts of



SAM ROBERTS BAND

REGULAR \$75 MEMBER \$70

Award-winning rock act Sam Roberts Band maintains their tradition of delivering chart-topping singles! The band's legendary live show has seen them performing around the world!



VOLUNTEERING

The Capitol Centre's goal is to bring individuals and the community together through the world of the arts. As a volunteer, your job is to ensure the safety and security of our patrons and to act as tactful ambassadors of goodwill to the public. As the public face of the organization, volunteers can start as young as 14 years old, but some positions require volunteers to be 18+.

There are many different volunteer opportunities available, such as Ushering, Ticket Taking, working

the concession snack bar, selling merchandise, and assisting in the WKP Kennedy Gallery. Or help out at off-site events - including serving as a Bingo Volunteer at Blue Sky Bingo Hall.

If you would like more information about supporting the Capitol Centre through volunteering, please contact:

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