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About our Work

Our Mandate is...
to ensure optimal access and utilization of our assets

1,724 volunteers engaged

23,599 volunteer hours contributed

1,379 events booked by Arts Commons Event Services

175 organizations made use of Arts Commons facilities

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Our Mandate is...
to provide and care for our assets

2,057 seats were replaced in the Jack Singer Concert Hall

8,798,380 litres of water were saved with Arts Commons new water efficient plumbing fixtures

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About our Work

2018-19 SEASON
Arts Commons Presents
Public Concerts/Performances/Presentations: 60

Arts Commons
Presents

SEPTEMBER 2018	OCTOBER 2018	NOVEMBER 2018	DECEMBER 2018	JANUARY 2019	FEBRUARY 2019	MARCH 2019	APRIL 2019	MAY 2019
RL Boyce Sept 21 & 22, 2018	Fin With Her Circus Boles - Saloon Oct 6, 2018	David Sandbrook Oct 14, 2018	Goran Gregorčič Wedding & Funeral Band Oct 25, 2018	Cécile Dus-Kinget Nov 3 & 10, 2018	Leon On the Road Nov 15, 2018	OK Go - The Live Video Tour Nov 17, 2018	Eden Brent Apr 5 & 6, 2019	Therapia Duvet May 3 & 4, 2019
Superstardom - Circle of the Century Nov 28, 2018	The Duke Rutland Acoustic Trio Jan 18 & 19, 2019	The Search for Life Beyond Earth Nov 28, 2018	Led Zepplin IV Jan 30, 2018	Celtic Nights - Oceans of Hope Feb 1, 2019	Bobby McFerrin & Friends Feb 18, 2019	Habitat 67 Mar 1, 2019	Eden Brent Apr 5 & 6, 2019	Therapia Duvet May 3 & 4, 2019
Wild Swan, Secret Shore with photographer Thomas Perschke Mar 12 & 13, 2018	Cuba Virelli Oct 18 & 19, 2018	Eden Brent Apr 5 & 6, 2019	Mystery Jazz Festival on Tour featuring Miles Davis, Billie Holiday, Duke Ellington, Charlie Parker, Thelonious Monk, John Coltrane, and many more. Apr 11, 2019	AC/DC - Back in Black Apr 18, 2019	Anastasia Shankar Apr 25, 2019	Therapia Duvet May 3 & 4, 2019	Therapia Duvet May 3 & 4, 2019	Therapia Duvet May 3 & 4, 2019

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About our Work

Outreach and Engagement

Our aim is to engage with local artists and communities by supporting arts-related projects at every stage of development. Through our growing engagement initiatives, we're reaching out to ethnic-cultural communities, ability-based communities, social innovation, gender-diverse communities, age-defined groups, and other under-represented communities.

Expect us to be curious, attentive, flexible, ready to respond to opportunities, challenges, and success.

Have your voice and engage in the arts, because we're in this together - your uniqueness is vital to growing our society, and our Arts Commons family.

Check our website for more information and calls for submission on these programs.

COMMONSPACE

We're offering access to main rehearsal, workshop, and community gathering spaces for artists and groups at 1014 to 1016.

PREAMP

For early to mid-career artists, this one-week residency provides the time and resources needed for artists to test an idea, create opportunities for collaboration, and focus on the process over the product.

AMPLIFY

A celebration of artistic talent and community, this annual event is a platform for artists from all backgrounds and disciplines to try out their latest projects with an audience hungry for the unexpected.

UNCOMMONS RESIDENCY

This longer-term residency for independent artists and artistic collectives will build capacity by supporting a specific project, as defined by the artist. We provide space, expertise, and the resources needed to get the project in front of an audience.


COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Submit your community initiatives, projects, and events, and help us build a creative and compassionate society, inspired through the arts.

You're invited IT'S FREE!

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

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Arts Education

Education at Arts Commons creates memorable learning opportunities that support more than 12,000 students, teachers, and education professionals each year by teaching core subjects through the arts, inspiring students to engage meaningfully with the world around them.

Young minds explore math, science, social studies, and language arts as investigated through theatre, dance, music, and visual arts. Learn about global citizenship through Ukrainian folkways, or Indigenous dance; enrich literacy development through drama, poetry, and visual journaling; and ignite a passion for science, the environment, and conservation through compelling storytelling and photojournalism by the world's most notable Explorers.

Arts for the Early Years (Infants - Kindergarten)

From first steps to six-year-olds, our early years programming creates meaningful opportunities for kids to connect and socialize in a creative, playful way.

Rtty Ritty Arts Day - On September 20, 2018, let your little one loose at Rtty Ritty Arts Day, a Friday Bear Chase and playhouse art party for the very young, complete with theatre, music, dance, and art activities.

One Day Arts School - A half-day or full-day field trip exploring arts and curriculum for pre-schools and kindergarten classes.


Early Years Drop-In - Parents and caregivers with babies, toddlers, and kindergartners can explore the world of the arts in a fun, accessible way with an early arts educator. Open for families with day-trip only, this event runs every fourth Friday of the month from January to May 2018.

SCHOOL PROGRAMMING (GRADES 1 - 12)

National Geographic Live - Skilled National Geographic photojournalists, Explorers, and scientists engage with students on curriculum-based presentations, followed by Q&A sessions.

ConocoPhillips Hub for Inspired Learning - In partnership with Campus Calgary Open Hands, schools bring students in grades 1-12 to Arts Commons for a week of arts inspired inquiry and learning.

One Day Arts School - Curriculum-linked, multi-disciplinary, day-long field trips for students K-12.



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Meeting the Needs of Calgarians

"Arts Commons is such a vital part of our community. Every event we attend is amazing. It's an honour and a privilege to be part of Calgary's cultural centre."

92% of respondents believe that arts experiences are a valuable way of bringing together people from different languages and cultural traditions.

"On behalf of CADME, our sincere thanks for offering this wonderful opportunity for so many students to witness world class live music in our city."

"The whole program was amazing! So inspiring to meet an explorer of the world. The kids absolutely loved getting to hear Kenny Broad's stories and his experiences while getting to see pictures and videos. As a teacher, I loved how he linked his experiences to the curriculum and talked about the importance of preservation and taking care of our planet. So great!"

"So impressed with the energy, quality and ambience. An amazing evening!"



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Meeting the Needs of Calgarians

"It is difficult to "nutshell" Arts Commons. I have played in most of the theatres and even the hallways, I have been in residency at the Ledge Gallery, and as a patron, I have experienced much more. There is no other place in the city as diverse and dynamic for the arts community - a unique and critical hub for Calgary."

86% of respondents believe that live performance spaces in their community contribute to the quality of life.

"I just want to say thank you for offering these programs to our school community. It is such an amazing experience for our students and we could not provide these opportunities without this support. So thank you so much."



"Arts Commons provides authentic experiences that keep us coming back."

"We look forward to continuing our sponsorship of the National Geographic Live program from the perspectives of the quality, and especially the extraordinarily successful effort that Arts Commons continues to make with its student outreach program."

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Trends and Research

Arts Commons works with the following to undertake research, identify industry trends, measure performance, recognize challenges and identify opportunities:

- AMS Planning & Research for the Arts and Entertainment Industries
- LaPlaca Cohen - Culture Track
- Performing Arts Center Consortium, and
- The Results Group for the Arts (TRG)



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Trends and Research

The research has identified the following indicators that have contributed to our 2019-2022 strategies:

1. Increasing the number, type, strength, and impact of community connections and partnerships
2. Ensuring diversity in staff, board, programming
3. Addressing issues of accessibility, including infrastructure, pricing, language
4. Implementing sustainable practices, including financial, environmental, health and wellness, human capital i.e. succession management
5. Applying leading edge technology and innovation, including performing arts technology, programming, audience engagement

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Alignment with Citizen Priorities & Council Directives



Organizational Structure

Arts Commons is a diverse organization with 61 full-time and 170 part-time employees in the six primary areas outlined above.

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Alignment with Citizen Priorities & Council Directives

The programs, services and initiatives Arts Commons delivers support Council Directives for a Prosperous City (P1, P2, P3 and P4):

- P1 & P2 Arts Commons is working with Calgary Economic Development and tourism Calgary to advance ACT which will provide Calgary with quality cultural infrastructure that has a direct impact on quality of life and therefore on the Calgary's competitiveness in attracting people and investment.
- P3 Arts Commons' services and programs help Calgary grow as a magnet for talent, to be a place where there is opportunity for all, and be the best place in Canada to start and grow a business.
- P4 Arts Commons programs such as the Community Opportunity Fund, new efforts of the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Officer, & TD Arts Access Pass provide diverse and equitable programming, operations and access.

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2019-2022 Business Plan

To better serve the needs identified by our community, the following are our priorities for 2019-2022:

1. Continue to refine AC shared leadership (functional Matrix) structure
 - Based on successful Programming "Triad" utilize learnings to implement multi-hierarchical project teams in our approach to Capital Replacement & Venue Utilization decision making
2. Strengthen infrastructure, synergies & patron experience
 - Roll out year two of customer service plan
 - Final Roll out of integrated HR / Employee Lifecycle platform
 - Deepen focus on diversity and education initiatives

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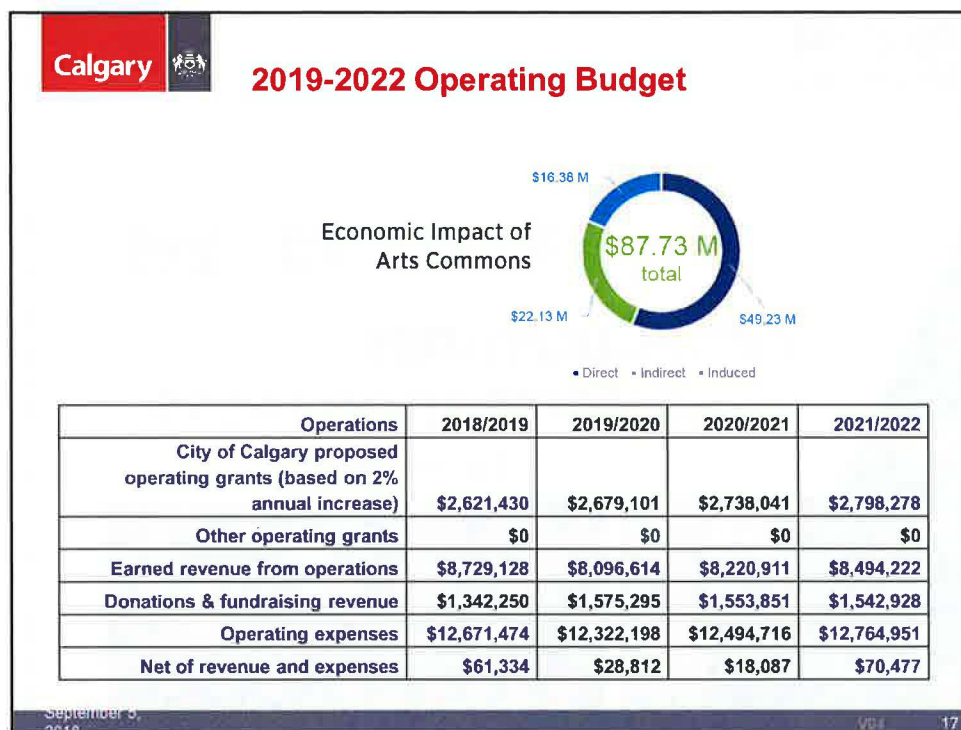
3. Build Arts Commons' value as relevant and vital to the community
 - Implement Producing & Engagement Pilot programs
 - Increase impact and relevance of free public programming
4. Sustain / Improve facility to ensure optimum care / usage
 - Complete extraordinary Capital spend
 - Develop process to monitor & track greenhouse gas emission reductions



Results and Measuring Performance

Arts Commons will measure its performance against its peers throughout North America using data collected by the Performing Arts Center Consortium (PACStats). While more than 50 performance measurements are tracked, the following are the key performance measures:

1. Operating Budget Results
2. Number of Events
3. Average Use Days Per Venue
4. Tickets Sold - All Events
5. Lifecycle Program



Calgary  **2019-2022 Capital Budget**

Arts Commons' lifecycle plan is based on the Building Condition Assessment and the Asset Management Plan that were undertaken with The City of Calgary:

- Summer 2019 - \$2,110,240 - Heating, ventilation and air conditioning in Engineered Air Theatre and rehearsal halls & acoustic banners and hoists in the Jack Singer Concert Hall
- 2020 - \$2,584,560 - Stage lighting in the Jack Singer Concert Hall & heating, ventilation and air conditioning in Max Bell Theatre
- Summer 2021 - \$2,952,400 - Phase 1 escalator refurbishment in Jack Singer Concert Hall & stage lighting in the Martha Cohen Theatre
- Summer 2022 - \$3,025,000 - Speaker replacement and Phase 2 escalator refurbishment in the Jack Singer Concert Hall

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Calgary 2019-2022 Capital Budget

Arts Commons C.M.L.C. Calgary

Arts Commons Transformation (ACT)

Transforming the **Cultural Heart** of Calgary



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Calgary 2019-2022 Capital Budget


"The quality of a community's cultural infrastructure has a direct impact on quality of life and therefore on the competitiveness of communities in attracting people and investment."
Canadian Council of Chief Executives



Stakeholders: 

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Our Vision:
A creative and
compassionate
society, inspired
through the arts.

Our Mission:
To bring the arts
...to life.

**This is YOUR
Arts Commons.**



Thank You

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