

# Arts Education Reimagined<sup>ED</sup>



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With five theatres, one concert hall, six galleries, scene and costume shops, and backstage areas, Arts Commons is the artistic and civic heart of Calgary. It's the home of Alberta Theatre Projects, Arts Commons Presents, Calgary Philharmonic, Downstage, One Yellow Rabbit, and Theatre Calgary. Not only that, but it's a one-stop-shop for your arts education needs, from live performances to hands-on workshops facilitated by professional artists, it's your ticket to the best in arts-based learning.

## What *creative adventures* will you go on?

Use these icons for our grade recommendations and plan your adventure today!

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| 1 | <b>DIVISION 1</b> (Grades 1-3)   | <b>Pricing</b>   |
| 2 | <b>DIVISION 2</b> (Grades 4-6)   | Pricing varies from a per student cost for student presentations to a per class cost for workshops and residencies.  |
| 3 | <b>DIVISION 3</b> (Grades 7-9)   | Some programs have available funding to support the cost of the program or related costs like bussing. Please see individual company links for more details. |
| 4 | <b>DIVISION 4</b> (Grades 10-12) |  |

**Reach out!**

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## Hello Teachers!

Can you name the teachers who touched your life in a powerful and inspiring way? I can still name the teachers who had a real impact on me as a student, and I can name the teachers of my children who had an impact on me as a parent.

We know that learning happens in a variety of ways and places. We also know that there are a variety of requirements that need to be met. At Arts Commons we believe that by including the arts into your students learning, the arts will create a vibrant and inclusive learning experience that ignites your students' imagination, develops their unique talents, and cultivates a lifelong appreciation for creativity.

This brochure is full of opportunities for you and your students to experience the arts. If you aren't seeing something that supports your needs as a teacher, call or email us. Really, let's chat! We are REIMAGINING what arts education is and how we can help nurture the creativity and imaginations of teachers and students alike.

Happy planning!

*Karen.*

Karen Youngberg  
Associate Director, Education  
Arts Commons

*P.S. We are forever grateful to all the teachers and the great impact you have on our families and communities!*



# Ignite wonder, imagination, and curiosity with Arts Commons Education

As part of Western Canada's largest performing arts centre, Arts Commons Education is uniquely situated in the heart of Calgary's thriving cultural community to share energizing learning opportunities through workshops, in-classroom artist visits, and live performances from Arts Commons Presents. We have inspired future artists, decision-makers, and critical thinkers to be sensitive human beings and we're ready to inspire you!

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## ConocoPhillips Hub for Inspired Learning, a Campus Calgary Site

A 5-day customized field study that meets the needs of each class! This award-winning program gives students the opportunity to explore and create alongside experts to connect their big question to the world around them. Applications to Campus Calgary open in March! Adventures are \$750.00 for the week and include bussing. All abilities are welcome.

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## Arts Commons Presents Student Presentations

Elevate your students' learning with wild tales with Explorers from [National Geographic Live!](#) These presentations are about 45 minutes long with a question and answer period.

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## One, Two, and Five Day Wonder Programs

Book your adventure with Arts Commons Education. A 1, 2, or 5-day customized program for students that connects them with industry experts for hands-on learning that unlocks the unique talents and potential of your students. Wonders start at \$550. All abilities are welcome.

### Language and Ability

Accommodations can be made to support non-English speaking as well as diverse learning needs.

For more information  
or to book a program

[artscommons.ca/education](https://artscommons.ca/education)



"Each and every student experienced a breakthrough moment during their time at Arts Commons."

- Nicole Hoye, Grade One Teacher  
Mahogany School

# Music experiences that inspire with the **Calgary Phil**

The Calgary Philharmonic believes in the value of music and music education by offering a variety of programs designed to stimulate and inspire students of any age. To find out more about participating or supporting the Calgary Phil's community programs, please visit [calgaryphil.com/education](http://calgaryphil.com/education).

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## Education Concerts

These light-hearted one-hour morning programs inspire students with the wonder of live orchestral music.

Coming up! Dan Brown's *Wild Symphony*  
16 & 17 April 2024 | Jack Singer Concert Hall  
at Arts Commons

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## Clinics + School Visits

Bring the Calgary Philharmonic to your classroom!

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## Open Rehearsals

Anyone can experience a full working rehearsal for select concerts at the Calgary Phil. Attendees observe the time and dedication it takes to prepare for a performance.

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For more information  
or to book a program

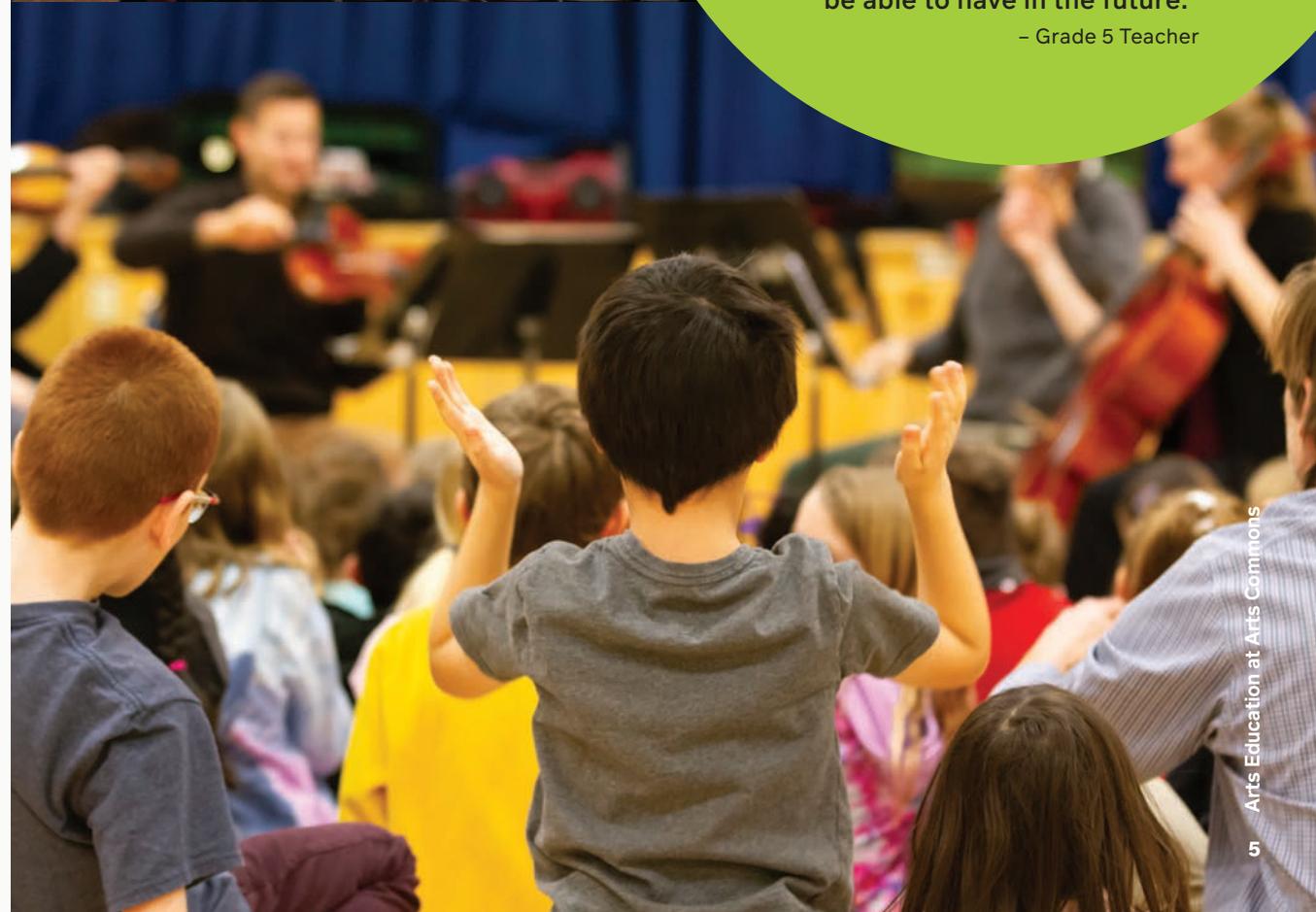
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“My students are now talking about what they are passionate about and asking what kind of jobs they might be able to have in the future.”

– Grade 5 Teacher



# Welcome to Creative Learning at Theatre Calgary

We know that arts education is a powerful tool to build confidence, inspire creativity, make connections, forge friendships and teamwork, think critically, and learn through play.

Theatre Calgary's performing arts programs introduce, nurture, and train youth in the magical world of theatre. Our team of professional artists support the growth, advancement, and joy of each participant.

Take the first step into the spotlight at Theatre Calgary!

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## Artists in the Classroom

We offer in-school workshops over single, multiple or residency sessions in a range of theatre arts: Musical Theatre, Theatre Games, Devised Creation, Monologue & Scene Study, Auditioning, Technical Theatre, Design, Stage Combat and more!

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## Schools On-Site

Enrich your theatre experience with at-the-theatre custom workshops in the performing arts or technical theatre and a backstage tour! We offer part-day and full-day sessions.

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## Student Matinees

Bring your students to Theatre Calgary to take in our season's productions and get an interactive journey through the world of live theatre. Ask us about adding a workshop to your visit!

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## Spring Break Drama

Participants can enjoy different skills including acting, dance, music, puppetry, clowning and more! Find a discipline they love and enjoy longer summer sessions!

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## Summer Drama Camp

Participants work with industry professionals to delve into a range of theatre arts, including acting and drama, puppetry, stage combat, circus and more, learning to think creatively while picking up essential performance skills.

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## Summer Intensives: Musical Theatre and Playmaking

Build Musical Theatre skills OR create and perform a play in one of our two-week Summer Intensives! Participants have fun, make new friends, build skills, join an ensemble, and express their creativity.



"The students had an amazing time. They talked about it a lot after. They loved the workshop (many surprised themselves with this!)"

-Teacher

*theatre:*  
**CALGARY**

For more information  
or to book a program

[theatrecalgary.com  
/creativelearning](http://theatrecalgary.com/creativelearning)

# Alberta Theatre Projects

A national leader in new play development, Alberta Theatre Projects presents contemporary live theatre in the Martha Cohen Theatre at Arts Commons. Our Youth Engagement Programming aims to deepen the theatre experience for young audiences through our plays.

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## That \$20 Ticket Thing

Students can see ATP performances for the affordable rate of just \$20!

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## Student Matinee Series

An exclusive education weekday matinee performance for classes or schools.



For more information  
or to book a program

[albertatheatreprojects.com](http://albertatheatreprojects.com)

# One Yellow Rabbit

One Yellow Rabbit (OYR) is an ensemble company of established theatre artists who produce and present vital works in Calgary and internationally that are created to build and enrich our community and develop future artists for our world. OYR presents the High Performance Rodeo every year, which attracts thousands to enjoy live performance during January and includes outreach, artist development and workshop events.

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## beautifulyoungartists

A flexible and responsive mentorship program for young professionals to gain direct experience and learn from One Yellow Rabbit artists.



For more information  
or to book a program

[oyr.org](http://oyr.org)

# Downstage

Downstage is devoted to producing theatre that creates meaningful conversations around current issues, encourages societal awareness, and inspires action. Through mentorship opportunities, workshops, and student presentations, Downstage fosters multi-faceted learning in our community.

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## Student Matinees

Access to shows at a reduced cost, including opportunities for post-show Q&As with artists.

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## Student Ambassador Program

Student Ambassadors have exclusive early, free hands-on access to productions, workshops, volunteer opportunities, and more.

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## Virtual Workshops

Free monthly virtual workshops that are open to art makers and art lovers alike.



For more information  
or to book a program

[downstage.ca](http://downstage.ca)



"I came to One Yellow Rabbit's Summer Lab Intensive to remember how to make art and to remember that what I do is art and figure out where I'm supposed to go next. The lab is an incredible program to do just that."

- Lucy Darling (Carissa Hendrix), performer



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**What if** we gave permission to others to be immersed in the messy-ness of art making? **What if** art was created in the process of discovery and wasn't just a product? **What if** we used art-making to learn about others and the world around us? **What if** we allowed students to make and to create, and take it out into the world?

# Welcome to Arts ReimaginED

Now in its second year, we take a bold new step with **Arts ReimaginED: THE MAKING**. Inviting all Calgarians to rethink and re-engage in arts education.

**Coming up in May**, Arts Commons will send local teaching artists to Calgary schools for 120 workshops to activate the imaginations and inspire curiosities at no cost to the schools.



Five teachers from the first-to-know list will be guaranteed a free workshop in your classroom! AND you will be one of the first to be sent a link when registration opens at the end of February 2024.

To join the magic, get on the first-to-know list.



[artscommons.ca/artsreimagined](https://artscommons.ca/artsreimagined)

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