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Experience an Incredible Lifetime of Conservation in the Field with Renowned National Geographic Explorers Beverly and Dereck Joubert

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Peek through the lens of groundbreaking filmmakers and National Geographic Explorers at Large Beverly and Dereck Joubert as they share 40 years of powerful stories, stunning video, and breathtaking photography from their life's work documenting the African savannah. Energized by Calgary's passion for the natural world, Werklund Centre is excited to present this duo of conservationists who have made such a lasting impact through their work. WILD EYE: A Life in Photographs with Beverly and Dereck Joubert takes place on Sunday, October 26 at 2:00 p.m. in the Jack Singer Concert Hall at Werklund Centre and coincides with the launch of their coffee table book - Wild Eye: A Life in Photographs. Tickets are available now at werklundcentre.ca/wildeye.



Beverly and Dereck Joubert have dedicated the last four decades to conservation work across 30 countries. For their work, they were awarded a Presidential Order of Merit by Botswana's president, Seretse Khama Ian Khama. Their wildlife films have earned 23

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Emmy nominations, 9 Emmy awards, a Peabody Award, a Wildscreen Panda Award, a World Ecology Award, the Mervin Jones Fellow Award from Lions Club International, and the 2021 Explorers Club Medial — the club's highest honour.

Their latest project, *Wild Eye: A Life in Photographs*, is a 250-page celebration of their work that releases on October 21, 2025. A stunning retrospective, the book features Beverly's iconic wildlife photography paired with Dereck's thoughtful reflections. In addition to their highly acclaimed books and films, the Joubert's have co-founded Great Plains Conservation and Great Plains Foundation. They presently manage over 1.5 million acres of wild lands in Africa that holds an estimated 2-3% of Africa's elephants, lions, giraffes, and other wildlife.

"While that's gratifying, that's also a massive burden of responsibility — a) to get it right, b) to go beyond the lens and to make sure that the conservation work that we're involved in will trump up these animals, these areas, that this pristine nature is there beyond just the representation through our films," Dereck said. "I don't think everybody should rush out to Africa and experience it first-hand. I hope that we provide a service in being able to bring at least some modicum of a representation to people's living rooms and televisions."

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WILD EYE: A Life in Photographs with Beverly and Dereck Joubert

Sunday, October 26, 2025 Presentation: 2:00 p.m.

Jack Singer Concert Hall at Werklund Centre

Tickets available by calling 403-294-9494 or visit werklundcentre.ca/wildeye

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Werklund Centre (formerly Arts Commons) is the steward of Western Canada's largest arts centre and the artistic and civic cornerstone of Calgary's downtown core that fosters the arts through live performance, educational opportunities, and artist development. For 40 years, it has been a key contributor to the social, economic, cultural, and intellectual life and well-being of Calgarians—a commitment that is being renewed through the Werklund Centre Transformation project, the largest cultural infrastructure project in Canadian history. It is home to five resident companies, including Alberta Theatre Projects, Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, Downstage, Theatre Calgary, and One Yellow Rabbit. It houses six gallery spaces, five theatres, and the Jack Singer Concert Hall.