

A photograph of a musician wearing a wide-brimmed hat and a colorful, patterned poncho, playing a large, decorated trumpet. The musician is on a stage with other instruments like congas and a guitar visible in the background. The text is overlaid on the top and middle of the image.

# KICKINGHORSECULTURE

Golden and District Arts Council since 1970

## BECOME A CHAMPION OF THE ARTS

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## Champions of Art & Culture in Golden

Golden thrives when creativity thrives, and Kicking Horse Culture is proud to help lead the way. For over 50 years, we've brought our community together with unforgettable performances, imaginative programming, and meaningful partnerships that make our region vibrant and connected.

This fall marks our 54th season of service. With over 700 members, dozens of dedicated volunteers, and the support of locals, we continue our mission: to **engage, energize, and enrich the cultural life of Kicking Horse Country.**

We've listened to our community, Golden asked for more diverse performances and opportunities to dance, and we're delivering. With the addition of online ticketing, we've made shows easier to access than ever, attracting more young people and families to our Live Kicks performances.

Thanks to our Champions, we keep ticket prices affordable, pay artists fairly, and create opportunities for everyone to experience world-class art, right here at home. By becoming a Champion, your business plays a crucial role in shaping Golden's cultural future. Your support is more important than ever and plays a vital role in the financial health and stability of our organization.

We'd love to welcome you (back) as a Champion of Kicking Horse Culture. Inside this package, you'll find ways to get involved and see exactly how your support makes a difference.

Thank you for believing in the power of culture to bring people together. Let's keep Golden connected and creative.

With gratitude,  
Logan Thackray  
Executive & Artistic Director  
on behalf of the KHC Board and Staff



### 24/25 HEROES

Canadian Timberframes  
Columbia Valley Credit Union  
Chatter Creek Holdings  
Darkside Snow Skate Life  
Ewan & McKenzie  
Golden Installations  
HR Pacific  
Innovation Building  
Kicking Horse Mountain Resort  
Mountain Life Financial  
Jane Crow & Michael Matthews  
VP Waste Solutions

### 24/25 CHAMPIONS

Dancing Zebra Construction  
Four Points Books  
Golden Bakery & Deli  
Golden Dollar Store  
The Island Restaurant  
Element Therapeutics  
Johnston Meier Insurance Agency  
Kardash Plumbing & Heating  
Golden Optometric Clinic  
Parky's Heating & Cooling  
Whitetooth Brewing Company



## Here's How You Benefit

Our Champions play an integral role in our success by underpinning our ability to play a dynamic role in community economic, social and tourism development. Arts and cultural activity is what we do, but a healthy, sustainable community is our long-term goal. In return, we deliver significant personal and business benefits back to you, our community Champions. Thank you for believing in the power of the arts!

In return, you will receive complementary tickets and your business will be recognized in promotions, at events, and as a leader in keeping Golden's arts scene alive and thriving!

Check out this season's Live Kicks lineup and choose the sponsorship level that's right for you. Just email [logan@kickinghorseculture.ca](mailto:logan@kickinghorseculture.ca) with your choice of show to get started.



### be a PALADIN for \$250

A great option for smaller businesses or individuals who want to support local arts

1. **Four** free tickets to your chosen Live Kicks show, use them for yourself, staff, or customers.
2. Your name or business listed on our website and in our News Kicks e-newsletter leading up to your sponsored show.
3. Recognition at the event with a warm shout-out from the stage.

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## be a CHAMPION for \$500

1. **Ten** free tickets for your chosen Live Kicks show – cash value of \$250.
2. **Two** tickets for each of the other Live Kicks shows, for you, staff, or customers cash value of \$450. A total value of \$700!
3. Opportunity to welcome the artist and audience at your show.
4. Recognition in all advertising for your sponsored show.
5. Business name and link featured on your show's web page.
6. Recognition in our News Kicks e-newsletters to 1000+ subscribers.

## be a HERO for \$1,000

1. All of the above benefits.
2. Your name or business logo will be recognized year-round on every KHC event poster, newsletter, and online presence.
3. Become a leading supporter of arts and culture in our community, your generosity helps sustain it all.



Email us at [logan@kickinghorseculture.ca](mailto:logan@kickinghorseculture.ca) for more information or to secure your Champions spot!

*Limited sponsor opportunities are available per performance*



# LIVE KICKS



## 2025-2026 Live Kicks Season



### TOO MANY ZOOZ Wednesday, October 1

Too Many Zooz is a high-energy "Brass House" trio blending jazz, EDM, punk, and more into a genre-bending dance sound. Since going viral as NYC subway buskers in 2013, they've become a global sensation with millions of fans and a jam-packed touring schedule. We can't wait to dance!.

### LONESOME ACE STRINGBAND AT THE PARSON HALL! Thursday, October 23

Lonesome Ace Stringband is a hard-hitting trio blending old-time, bluegrass, and folk into a raw, soulful sound. With years of playing under their belts, they deliver tight, high-energy sets that are as heartfelt as they are electrifying.





## GREAT LAKE SWIMMERS & ELLIOTT BROOD

Tuesday, October 28

Two of Canada's most compelling folk-rooted bands share the stage for one unforgettable night. Great Lake Swimmers craft intimate, nature-infused songs with emotional depth, while Elliott BROOD brings their gritty, stomp-driven alt-country to life with heart and edge. Together, they offer a powerful, distinctly Canadian musical experience.



## MOSAICO

Thursday, November 27

MOSAICO fuses dance and digital art to explore identity in all its complexity. Five dancers blend flamenco, Québécois step, African, Latin, and urban styles, activating a reactive digital mosaic that shifts with their movement. Poetic and visually rich, this multidisciplinary work celebrates cultural diversity and the legacies that shape us.

## BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FEST

Friday & Saturday, December 12 & 13

Get ready for an adrenaline rush courtesy of the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour, a breathtaking "highlights reel" of extreme action sequences and insights into exotic cultures. This year we have two screenings at the Civic Centre!





# TONYE AGANABA

Thursday, January 22

Tonye Aganaba is a dynamic interdisciplinary artist blending Neo-Folk, R&B, Funk, and Hip-Hop into a soulful, genre-defying sound. A queer, disabled, Black African settler on unceded Coast Salish lands, Tonye is known for live shows that are as impeccable as they are unforgettable.



# JOSEPHINE

Wednesday, February 4

Josephine: A Burlesque Cabaret Dream Play is an award-winning one-woman musical celebrating the life of Josephine Baker, the first African-American international superstar. Blending cabaret, theatre, and dance, this bold, genre-defying show honours Baker's legacy as an icon of resistance, freedom, and unapologetic self-expression.

# EMBERFEST

Saturday, February 21

with workshops & events happening from Jan 17- Feb 21

EmberFest is Golden's annual winter celebration of winter, art, and collective imagination. In 2026, we look ahead with the theme Positive Futurisms, inviting our community to dream boldly, connect deeply, and ignite hope through music, puppetry, storytelling, and collaborative art. It's a vibrant gathering where creativity lights the way forward.

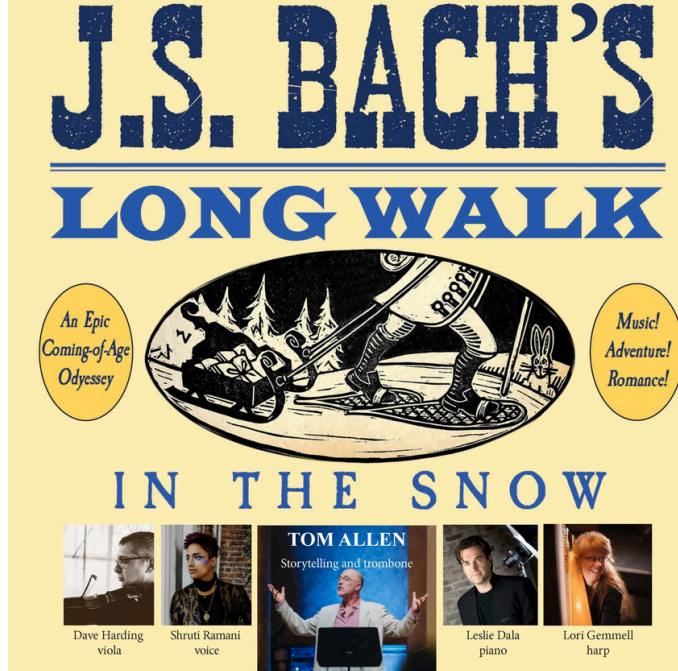




# TOM ALLEN - JS BACH'S LONG WALK IN THE SNOW

Thursday, February 26

JS Bach's Long Walk in the Snow is a chamber musical by storyteller Tom Allen that follows an 18-year-old Bach on his 400km, life-changing journey. With top Canadian musicians, it blends gripping storytelling and Bach's music with the sounds he encountered, revealing the fiery, rebellious spirit behind the genius.



## PIQSIQ & OH PRAY TELL

Wednesday, March 4

PIQSIQ is an Inuit throat-singing duo made up of sisters Tiffany Ayalik and Inuksuk Mackay. With roots in Nunavut and a sound shaped by the haunting beauty of the North, they blend ancient katajjaq with ethereal, improvised compositions. Their performances are mesmerizing, political, and deeply atmospheric, a powerful act of cultural reclamation and resistance. *Oh Pray Tell* will open the evening.

## THE MYRTLE SISTERS THEATER

Friday, March 13 & School Show March 12

Multi-award winning theatre artists Candice Roberts, Nayana Fielkov, and Kat Single-Dain, are a real life sisters trio from different parents. They have been charming their way into the hearts of folks for 10+ years touring with their shows across Western Canada in theatres, festivals and schools.



# PAPER MOUNTAINS

Thursday, March 26

Paper Mountains is a powerful dance work set amid 1,000 paper planes, where five dancers embody memory, loneliness, and longing through urgent, physical movement. Created by Anya Allegra Saugstad from choreography born in isolation, the piece transforms personal stories into a collective act of remembrance and release.



## DELHI 2 DUBLIN

Thursday, April 9

Delhi 2 Dublin is a global bass powerhouse blending Bhangra, electronic, hip-hop, reggae, and Celtic music into a sound they call Subcontinental Pop. With high-energy shows and genre-defying tracks, they've electrified stages from Glastonbury to Burning Man. Featuring violinist Serena Eades and new member Kal Mattu, the band continues to push boundaries with hypnotic dhol, deep bass, and infectious hooks.

# THANK YOU CHAMPIONS!!

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