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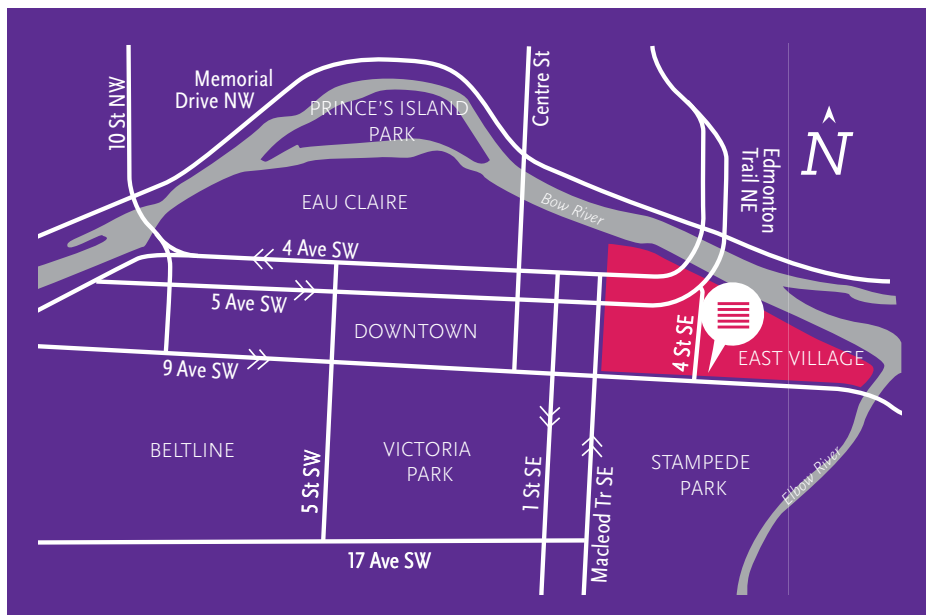
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Land Acknowledgement

Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, is located on the ancestral lands of the peoples of the Treaty 7 region, including the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprised of the Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai First Nations), the Tsuut'ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda Nations (including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Goodstoney First Nations). The City of Calgary is also the traditional home of the Otipemisiwak Métis and includes the Calgary Nose Hill Métis District 5 and Calgary Elbow Métis District 6 within Battle River Territory.

NMC acknowledges and pays respect to the original custodians of these territories and is committed to working with Indigenous communities in Calgary and area in a spirit of collaboration and reconciliation.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

Ten years ago, Canada did not have a national home for music. Today, Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre in Calgary, Alberta, stands as Canada's national home for musical heritage, a place where our country's music lives, breathes, evolves, and unites us as a country. While rooted in Western Canada, NMC exists for all Canadians, reflecting the full breadth of our country's voices, stories, and sounds, and serving as a connector from coast to coast to coast.

What began as an ambitious idea has grown into something far greater. Together with artists, supporters, partners, and community, we have built a unique national movement that uses history to make history. Over the past decade, we have welcomed more than one million visitors, stewarded and developed one of the most significant collections of musical heritage in the world, and supported and amplified the stories of Canadian artists and creators across cultures and genres. We have also played a meaningful role in the transformation of Calgary's East Village, helping position Alberta as an emerging leader in Canada's music story.

This milestone is not only about what has been built, but how it has been built collectively.

As we enter our 10th anniversary year, we are building on that momentum with an ambitious slate of programming, including welcoming the global Music Cities Convention to Calgary and advancing plans for a major exhibition featuring Canadian music icon Joni Mitchell in 2027.

Music has a unique ability to connect us across regions, languages, and cultures. As Canada's national home for musical heritage, NMC is committed to strengthening those connections through national partnerships and community programming, and ensuring that our musical heritage remains accessible, relevant, and alive for future generations.

As we mark this 10th anniversary, we are not simply looking back; we are setting the stage for what comes next. The pages that follow highlight 10 Signature Stories. Each reflects a defining idea, partnership, or impact from NMC's first decade. Together, they demonstrate how a bold vision became Canada's national home for musical heritage, and how that work continues to shape the future of music in Canada.

This anniversary belongs to all of you, artists in every genre, donors, governments, sponsors, partners, and all the cultural communities in Canada who made it possible. And the next chapter is just beginning.

Andrew Mosker
President and CEO

MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT-DIRECTEUR GÉNÉRAL

Il y a dix ans, le Canada ne disposait pas d'un lieu national consacré à la musique. Aujourd'hui, Studio Bell, demeure du Centre national de musique à Calgary, en Alberta, s'impose comme le lieu national dédié au patrimoine musical du Canada, un endroit où la musique de notre pays vit, respire, évolue et nous unit comme pays. Bien ancré dans l'Ouest canadien, le CNM existe pour tous les Canadiens, reflétant toute la richesse de nos voix, de nos histoires et de nos sonorités, et agissant comme un lien d'un océan à l'autre à l'autre.

Ce qui n'était au départ qu'une idée ambitieuse est devenu quelque chose de bien plus grand. Avec les artistes, les donateurs, les partenaires et la communauté, nous avons bâti un mouvement national unique qui s'appuie sur l'histoire pour en écrire une nouvelle. Au cours de la dernière décennie, nous avons accueilli plus d'un million de visiteurs, préservé et développé l'une des plus importantes collections de patrimoine musical au monde, et amplifié et mis en valeur les histoires d'artistes et de créateurs canadiens issus de toutes les cultures et de tous les genres musicaux. Nous avons également contribué de façon significative à la transformation du quartier East Village à Calgary, en aidant à positionner l'Alberta comme un acteur émergent dans l'histoire musicale du Canada.

Cette étape importante ne concerne pas seulement ce qui a été accompli, mais aussi la manière dont cela a été réalisé, collectivement.

Alors que nous entamons notre 10^e année anniversaire, nous poursuivons sur cette lancée avec une programmation ambitieuse, notamment en accueillant à Calgary la conférence internationale Music Cities et en faisant progresser les préparatifs d'une grande exposition consacrée à l'icône canadienne de la musique Joni Mitchell en 2027.

La musique a cette capacité unique de nous rassembler, au-delà des régions, des langues et des cultures. En tant que lieu national du patrimoine musical, le CNM s'engage à renforcer ces liens grâce à des partenariats pancanadiens, à une programmation ancrée dans la communauté, et à faire en sorte que notre patrimoine musical demeure accessible, pertinent et vivant pour les générations à venir.

En soulignant ce 10^e anniversaire, nous ne faisons pas que regarder en arrière; nous préparons l'avenir. Les pages qui suivent présentent 10 histoires marquantes. Chacune met en lumière une idée, un partenariat ou un impact déterminant de la première décennie du CNM. Ensemble, elles illustrent comment une vision audacieuse est devenue le lieu national du patrimoine musical du Canada, et comment ce travail continue de façonner l'avenir de la musique au pays.

Cet anniversaire vous appartient à toutes et à tous — artistes de tous les genres, donateurs, gouvernements, commanditaires, partenaires et communautés culturelles de partout au Canada — qui avez contribué à le rendre possible. Et la suite ne fait que commencer.

A DECADE OF IMPACT

through Music

10 YEARS SINCE OPENING, TOLD THROUGH 10 DEFINING
AREAS THAT REFLECT NMC'S GROWTH, IMPACT, AND REACH

1 THE MAKING OF NMC

From a small instrument collection to Canada's home for music, tracing the vision to reality over 10 years.

160,000-
SQUARE-FOOT
home for Canada's
music collections.

450 YEARS
of music history
and memorabilia
preserved.

119 EXHIBITIONS
celebrating
Canada's legends.

1,000,000+
VISITORS since
opening in 2016.

3 LIVING COLLECTION PHILOSOPHY

NMC brings history to life by keeping its collection playable and enabling artists to create with iconic instruments.

500+ ARTISTS
supported through
development
programs

50,000+ HOURS
of living collection
usage.

8,000+ ARTIFACTS
with **200 INSTRUMENTS** available for
professionals or the public to use.

2 A BRIDGE FOR NATIONAL UNITY

NMC is strengthening connections across Canada and beyond, from East to West and across English and French communities.

70+
PARTNERSHIPS
locally and from
across Canada.

1 NEW
satellite hub in
Montreal.

11 TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS
developed with cultural partners from
Canada, Europe, and the US.

4 THE KING EDDY

The rich history and legacy of live music is why NMC saved this iconic venue.

1,800+
LIVE SHOWS
since reopening as
a music venue.

240,000+
total concert
attendance since
2018.

CIRCA 1905
the year King Eddy first opened, making it
one of the oldest music venues still in
operation in Canada.

5 MUSIC AND WELLNESS

NMC advances music therapy through programs and partnerships expanding access across Canada.

15,000+
PARTICIPANT
contacts
annually.

12
CERTIFIED
music
therapists.

12 PROGRAM LOCATIONS
across Canada in Alberta, Saskatchewan,
Manitoba, BC — and growing!

6 MUSIC MOSAIC

NMC celebrates Canada's diversity by showcasing musical traditions, artists, and stories from across the country.

70+ EVENTS
with local cultural
communities or
festivals.

40+
PARTNERSHIPS
with cultural
organizations.

10+ CULTURAL COMMUNITY
events and festivals planned for 2026.

7 HONOURING INDIGENOUS MUSIC

NMC supports Indigenous artists and amplifies Indigenous voices through dedicated programs.

100+
INDIGENOUS
artists supported
through artist
development.

23 LIVE
PERFORMANCES
showcasing
and celebrating
Indigenous artists.

46 STORIES
of Indigenous trailblazers told through
NMC's exhibitions.

8 THE HALLS OF FAME

NMC is the home of Canada's music halls of fame, celebrating its most influential artists.

4 PARTNERSHIPS
with national
music halls of
fame.

**302 HALL OF
FAMERS**
recognized in
NMC's exhibits.

14 MAJOR EVENTS
hosted with our Hall of Fame partners
since 2016.

9 YOUTH AND LEARNING

NMC inspires the next generation through youth programs and hands-on learning.

80,000+
STUDENTS
served regionally
and nationally.

500+ SCHOOLS
have participated
in NMC education
programs.

500,000+ ENGAGEMENTS
with NMC's online educational videos
and learning programs.

10 THE FUTURE OF NMC

NMC continues to support and shape Alberta as an emerging music-friendly region in Canada. By 2036, NMC aims to help generate:

\$18M-\$22M
in annual
economic impact.

120-150 JOBS
supported
annually.

175,000-225,000 VISITORS
annually for exhibitions and other public
programming at NMC.

Calendar of Events

	EVENT TITLE	DATE	DAY	EVE	TICKETED	MEMBER DISCOUNT
77	NMC School Groups & Field Trips	Ongoing	•		Schools only	N/A
73	NMC Tours: Greatest Hits*	Weekends	•		•	FREE
74	NMC Tours: Backstage Pass*	Weekends	•		•	\$6 off
83	NMC Jam Club (youth)**	Thursdays	•		FREE	
35	PlayLab Activations*	Saturdays	•		FREE	
75	Liner Notes: Inside the Rolling Stones Mobile Studio*	First Sunday each month	•		•	15% off
97	NMC Music and Wellness: Synth Soundbath*	Last Sunday each month	•		•	15% off
69	Forever Young: Seniors' Wednesdays	Wednesdays	•		FREE for seniors	
49	NMC Presents: Studio Bell 10-Year Anniversary Bash on Canada Day	July 1	•		FREE	
45	CIBC BackBeat: Bow & Tell	July 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug 1, 8, 15, 22	•		FREE	
81	NMC Education Summer Camps	July 20–24, July 27–31, August 10–14, August 17–21	•		•	20% off
	Music Production Workshop with Will Maclellan**	July 23	•		•	20% off
45	Historic Calgary Week — Made in Canada: Pioneers of Sound	July 31	•		FREE	
	Design Week Calgary — YYC Soundscapes: In Tune with Motion	August 7	•		•	N/A
51	NMC Presents: Eddy Fest	August 14–16	•	•	•	

This calendar of events is subject to change. For detailed info, please visit studiobell.ca/whats-on

Included = ticket is included with Studio Bell admission *dates subject to change **space is limited

	EVENT TITLE	DATE	DAY	EVE	TICKETED	MEMBER DISCOUNT
45	NMC & CBC Present — The Tragically Hip: A National Celebration	August 22		•	•	15% off
45	King & NMC Present — GBÈDU: An Afro-Jazz Orchestral Experience	September 4		•	•	15% off
	Alberta Culture Days	September 5-6	•		FREE Level 1 only	
45	Honens Festival	September 10–12	•	•	•	15% off
45	Craig Senyk Initiatives & NMC Present: Ride to Remember	September 13		•	•	15% off
89	OHSOTO'KINO Music Incubator Showcase	September 17		•	•	50% off
55	NMC Presents: Under the Harvest Moon — A Mid-Autumn Concert	September 25		•	•	15% off
45	Candycmusic & NMC present: Sing with the Live Band Workshop	September 26	•		Included	FREE
91	Live from the King Eddy: The Free Label	September 26 & 27		•	•	15% off
53	Alberta Music Cities Convention	September 29 to October 1	•		•	N/A
48	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	September 30	•		FREE admission	
57	NMC Presents: Jeremy Dutcher	September 30		•	•	15% off
45	NMC & Calgary Cinematheque Present: Faust — Film Screening	October 15–17		•	•	15% off
59	NMC Presents: Mudmen	October 18		•	•	15% off
45	JazzYYC & NMC Present: Dawn Pemberton — Portraits of the First Ladies of Jazz	November 3		•	•	15% off

Calendar of Events

	EVENT TITLE	DATE	DAY	EVE	TICKETED	MEMBER DISCOUNT
61	NMC Presents: Six String Nation — Celebrating the Great Canadian Songbook	November 6		•	•	15% off
45	StoryMusic & NMC Present: Little Red Riding Hood with Beethoven	November 8	•		•	15% off
48	Remembrance Day at Studio Bell	November 11	•		FREE	
45	Oscill8 SYNC Conference	November 14	•	•	•	N/A
29	Exhibition Opening: Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame 2026	November 18	•		Included	FREE
45	David Dacks: A Radio Active Journey	November 21	•		Included	FREE
63	NMC Presents: The Barra MacNeils: An East Coast Christmas (afternoon & evening)	November 22	•	•	•	15% off
72	Winter Weekends at Studio Bell	Weekends in December	•		Included	FREE
93	AE West Artist Showcase	December 2		•	FREE	
83	Jam Club Gig Day	December 13	•		FREE	
65	NMC Presents: A Holly Jolly Jill Barber Christmas	December 13		•	•	15% off

2027 Preview

Here are some select highlights from the 2027 calendar. **Stay tuned for more announcements!**

	EVENT TITLE	DATE	DAY	EVE	TICKETED	MEMBER DISCOUNT
39	Exhibition Opening: NMC and Joni Mitchell Present: <i>Joni's Jazz</i>	2027	•		Included	FREE
23	Exhibition Opening: Canadian Music Hall of Fame <i>Class of 2027</i>	2027	•		Included	FREE
	Black History Month at Studio Bell	February 6, 2027	•		FREE	
47	Family Day at Studio Bell	February 15, 2027	•		FREE	
67	NMC Presents: Donovan Woods	February 24 & 25, 2027		•	•	15% off
	Exhibition Opening: Canadian Music Hall of Fame 2027 Inductee	March 2027	•		Included	FREE
43	NMC Presents: Alex Cuba	March 17, 2027		•	•	15% off
47	Journée de la Francophonie	March 20, 2027	•		FREE	
43	NMC Presents: Valdy	April 2, 2027		•	•	15% off
43	NMC Presents: Heartstrings & Honky Tonks	April 17, 2027		•	•	15% off
43	NMC Presents: Piano Heist	April 24, 2027		•	•	15% off
43	NMC Presents: Barney Bentall — My Life in Ranching and Rock'n'Roll	May 28 & 29, 2027		•	•	15% off
33	Exhibition Opening: <i>Speak Up!</i>	June 16, 2027	•		Included	FREE
47	Indigenous Peoples Day	June 21, 2027	•		FREE	
47	Canada Day at Studio Bell	July 1, 2027	•		FREE	
81	NMC Education Summer Camps	July/August, 2027	•		•	20% off
29	Exhibition Opening: Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame 2027	September 2027	•		Included	FREE

WAYS TO GIVE

National Music Centre is a registered charity dedicated to amplifying the love, sharing, and understanding of music in Canada.

When you invest in music, you invest in community. NMC relies on the generosity of donors to sustain exhibitions, education programs, artist development opportunities, and music and wellness initiatives.

Your support ensures the continuation of educational programs for youth, provides artists with opportunities to grow, preserves Canada's music history, and brings the healing power of music to more people who need it.

Whether it's a one-time gift, monthly donation, legacy gift, or sponsorship, every contribution plays a vital role in

protecting Canada's musical legacy and supporting the next generation of talent.

Ways to support NMC:

- Make a one-time donation
- Become a monthly donor
- Legacy giving
- Corporate matching programs
- Host a fundraiser
- Donate instruments or artifacts
- Become a member
- Join the volunteer team
- Purchase admission
- Attend a concert
- Shop the NMC Gift Shop & Café
- Spread the word

NMC.CA/DONATE

SUPPORT NMC





BECOME AN NMC MEMBER

Join an exclusive community of music lovers and experience Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, as you never have before. Purchase an individual or family membership and receive free admission and tours, access to exclusive members-only events, discounts on concert tickets, and much more!

Individual and family memberships are available to purchase online or in-person, and are valid for one year.

Loved your visit? Stop by the front desk to apply your same-day Studio Bell admission towards the purchase of an NMC Membership.

Member Benefits

- Free Studio Bell admission
- Free Greatest Hits guided tours
- Discounted Backstage Pass tours
- Exclusive Members-only events
- Discounted concert tickets
- 15% off at NMC Gift Shop & Café
- 10% off at the King Eddy
- 20% off NMC Summer Camps
- Free birthday month drink
- Guest passes
- And much more!

JOIN AT [NMC.CA/MEMBERS](https://nmc.ca/members)

Membership Rates

Adult:

\$60.90

Student/Senior (65+):

\$47.25

Family:

\$115.50





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HOW TO VOLUNTEER

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Visitor support and museum stewardship
- Education programs
- Jam Club mentor
- Event volunteer
- Handyperson
- Marketing and street teams
- Collections and exhibitions

Volunteers are an essential part of the National Music Centre community, helping bring everything that happens at Studio Bell to life. From welcoming visitors and supporting concerts to mentoring young musicians in Jam Club, there are many ways to get involved.

Join a passionate group of music lovers sharing their time and skills to support music in our community and beyond. You'll help amplify the love, sharing, and understanding of music—and create memorable experiences for visitors of all ages.





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EVENT RENTALS AT STUDIO BELL

Learn more at studiobell.ca/rentals

At Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, you can host corporate gatherings, milestone social events—and even your own private concert—in a space where music, history, and architecture collide. Our stunning spaces can welcome 50 to 1,500 guests, with a dedicated sales and production team ready to turn big ideas into unforgettable experiences. Plus, every event helps support the ongoing work of Canada's home for music, so your night leaves a lasting impact long after the lights go down.

MONTREAL SATELLITE SPACE

Learn more at nmc.ca/montreal

National Music Centre's satellite space in Montreal's Latin Quarter marks an important step in NMC's efforts to build deeper connections between the country's diverse music scenes. Located in the same building as Quebec's music industry association Adisq, the Montréal location serves as a home base for NMC activities and partnerships in Eastern Canada, a venue for workshops, industry meet-ups, artist programming, and pop-up events, a gateway for collaborative projects celebrating Canadian and Québec music, and more.



LETTER FROM THE SENIOR DIRECTOR OF COLLECTIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

At the National Music Centre, we care for—and care about—the artifacts that tell Canada's musical story.

These include handwritten lyrics, instruments, stage outfits, and personal materials that document the work of artists across the country. They are not just objects. They are part of our cultural record, and they shape how that record is understood, preserved, and shared.

Increasingly, these collections are at risk of being sold, divided, or leaving the country altogether. When that happens, they often move out of public reach and away from the context that gives them meaning. Over time, the story becomes harder to access, less complete, and more difficult to pass on.

Ensuring these stories remain intact and accessible is a critical part of our work. It allows artists, researchers, and the public to engage directly with the materials that have shaped Canadian music, and to see themselves reflected in that history.

At Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, these collections are preserved and brought forward through exhibitions that connect audiences to the artists, ideas, and moments that define them. They are not only protected here, they are experienced—through sound, through storytelling, and through direct interaction with the music itself.

As we mark our 10th anniversary, that work continues through a new group of exhibitions. This special 2026-2027 year includes a feature exhibition on Nelly Furtado, alongside new experiences such as *PlayLab*, a free drop-in creative hub for families. Looking ahead, we are also preparing a major Joni Mitchell retrospective tied to her relationship with jazz, opening in 2027. We continue to evolve our Hall of Fame exhibitions and core galleries, ensuring the story we tell remains current, representative, and engaging.

Taken together, these exhibitions reflect the depth of Canada's musical legacy and the ways it continues to evolve.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing these experiences with you throughout this anniversary year.

Jesse Moffatt
Senior Director of Collections
and Exhibitions

MESSAGE DU DIRECTEUR PRINCIPAL DES COLLECTIONS ET DES EXPOSITIONS

Au Centre national de musique, nous prenons soin — et nous nous soucions — des artefacts qui racontent l'histoire musicale du Canada.

Il s'agit notamment de paroles manuscrites, d'instruments, de costumes de scène et de documents personnels qui témoignent du travail d'artistes de partout au pays. Ce ne sont pas de simples objets. Ils font partie de notre mémoire culturelle et façonnent la manière dont cette histoire est comprise, préservée et transmise.

De plus en plus, ces collections risquent d'être vendues, fragmentées ou de quitter le pays. Lorsqu'elles sont dispersées, elles échappent souvent à l'accès du public et sont séparées du contexte qui leur donne tout leur sens. Avec le temps, l'histoire devient plus difficile d'accès, moins complète et plus difficile à transmettre.

Veiller à ce que ces histoires demeurent intactes et accessibles est une part essentielle de notre travail. Cela permet aux artistes, aux chercheurs et au public d'entrer en contact direct avec les éléments qui ont façonné la musique canadienne, et de s'y reconnaître.

À Studio Bell, domicile du Centre national de musique, ces collections sont préservées et mises en valeur à travers des expositions qui relient le public aux artistes, aux idées et aux moments qui les définissent. Elles ne sont pas seulement protégées : elles sont vécues — par le son, par le récit et par une interaction directe avec la musique elle-même.

Alors que nous soulignons notre 10^e anniversaire, ce travail se poursuit à travers une nouvelle série d'expositions. Cette année comprend une exposition phare consacrée à Nelly Furtado, ainsi que de nouvelles expériences comme *PlayLab*, un espace créatif libre d'accès pour les familles. À plus long terme, nous préparons également une grande rétrospective consacrée à Joni Mitchell et à sa relation avec le jazz, qui ouvrira en 2027. Nous continuons aussi de faire évoluer nos expositions du Panthéon de la musique et nos galeries permanentes afin que l'histoire que nous racontons demeure actuelle, représentative et engageante.

Ensemble, ces expositions témoignent de la richesse de l'héritage musical du Canada et de son évolution continue.

Nous avons hâte de vous accueillir et de partager ces expériences avec vous tout au long de cette année anniversaire.



CANADIAN MUSIC HALL OF FAME: NELLY FURTADO

Feature Exhibition

Location: Level 5

Dates: On now until
February 2027

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



This feature exhibit in partnership with CARAS celebrates 2026 Canadian Music Hall of Fame inductee Nelly Furtado. From folk-pop luminary to global superstar, her genre-defying career has continually shaped and redefined the pop landscape for over two decades. The exhibit captures her sound, style, and fearless reinvention through show-stopping stage outfits, storytelling, archival photos, and creative materials that offer an intimate look at her songwriting process.

PHOTOS Left: photo by Sebastian Buzzalino.
Right: photo by Valentin Herfray.



THE CANADIAN MUSIC
HALL OF FAME

2026 INDUCTEE

NELLY FURTADO





THE CANADIAN MUSIC HALL OF FAME

CLASS OF

2025

CANADIAN MUSIC HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2025

Rotating Exhibition

Location: Level 5

Class of 2025:

Dan Hill, Loreena McKennitt,
Ginette Reno, and Glass Tiger

In partnership with the Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (CARAS), this temporary exhibition celebrates the 2025 Canadian Music Hall of Fame inductees — Dan Hill, Ginette Reno, Glass Tiger, and Loreena McKennitt. This rotating gallery space features memorabilia and storytelling from the latest inductees, offering insight into the artists who have shaped Canada's music landscape.

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CARAS

CANADIAN ACADEMY OF
RECORDING ARTS & SCIENCES



CANADIAN MUSIC HALL OF FAME: SUM 41

Feature Exhibition

Location:

Level 5

Dates:

On now until February 2027

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



CARAS
CANADIAN ACADEMY OF
RECORDING ARTS & SCIENCES

This feature exhibit in partnership with CARAS celebrates 2025 Canadian Music Hall of Fame inductee Sum 41. From their early days in Ajax, Ontario to becoming global pop-punk rock icons, Sum 41 has spent close to 30 years delivering All Killer, No Filler anthems. Coinciding with their final bow, the exhibit honours their legacy with rare memorabilia, compelling storytelling, and never-before-seen artifacts, including the original VHS cassette, or "Home Made EPK," that helped land them their first record deal.



PHOTOS Left: photo by Kaden Chynoweth. Right: photo by Travis Shinn.



ADISQ HALL OF FAME

Rotating Exhibition

Location: Level 4

New Additions:

Félix Hommage award recipient Alain Simard was added in February 2026.

Presented in partnership with Adisq, this exhibition celebrates Québec and Francophone Canadian music and the latest Félix Award winners. The gallery's design was inspired by the Gala de l'Adisq. It features exclusive photographs and video from the awards ceremony, offering visitors an immersive look at Québec's music industry. A dedicated plaque wall honours more than 30 years of Félix Hommage recipients—artists and industry professionals whose careers have contributed to the growth and success of the Québec music industry.

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CANADIAN COUNTRY MUSIC

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CANADIAN COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME

Rotating Exhibition

Location: Level 4

New Additions:

Lisa Brokop and Joe Wood

Next Update: The Wilkinsons and Ron Kitchener on November 18

The *Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame* celebrates new artist and builder inductees each year, alongside past inductees including Ian Tyson, Terri Clark, Michelle Wright, Paul Brandt, and many more of Canada's country legends. Through artifacts, stage outfits, instruments, and memorabilia, visitors can explore the careers of artists and industry leaders who have made long-term contributions to the genre. Stay tuned for the 2026 inductees coming this fall!

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CANADIAN SONGWRITERS HALL OF FAME



CANADIAN SONGWRITERS HALL OF FAME

Rotating Exhibition

Location: Level 4

2025 Inductees: Andy Kim, Jane Siberry, Ian Thomas, Rik Emmett, Mike Levine and Gil Moore of Triumph, and Gino Vannelli

The *Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame* honours the songwriters whose words have become the soundtrack for generations. Featuring musical instruments and memorabilia, visitors get a behind-the-scenes look at how some of their favourite songs were created. With new inductees added each year, this exhibition celebrates the finest songsmiths across our country, highlighting Canada's rich songwriting tradition and the universal power of a well-told story.

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SPEAK UP!

Rotating Exhibition

Location: Level 3

New Additions:

Tudjaat, Crystal Shawanda, Andrea Menard, Jerry Alfred, Stoney Park Singers

With support from TD, *Speak Up!* showcases Indigenous artists who have made a lasting impact on music in Canada. This evolving exhibition highlights artists whose work bridges culture, music, and activism while encouraging new generations to speak up. Through stories, music, and multimedia, visitors gain a deeper understanding of Indigenous voices and experiences. *Speak Up!* creates space for reflection and learning about the contributions Indigenous artists have made—and continue to make—to Canada's music scene.

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CREATIVE COMMUNITY HUB: PLAYLAB

Free Admission

Location:
Level 1

Dates:
Opened on May 6, 2026

**Join us on Saturdays for
interactive programs in
PlayLab!**

PlayLab is a hands-on sound playground where young visitors can discover how music works. With interactive stations that feature strings, wind, percussion, and electronic instruments, kids experiment with the building blocks of sound—pitch, volume, timbre, and vibration. Pluck a string, strike a drum, blow into an organ, or shape sound on a synth to hear how instruments create their unique voices. Designed for curiosity and creativity, *PlayLab* encourages visitors to listen closely, explore freely, and learn how musicians turn sound into music.



TIMELESS: 100 YEARS OF OSCAR PETERSON

Feature Exhibition

Location:

Level 5

Dates:

On now until February 2027

Timeless: 100 Years of Oscar Peterson commemorates the centenary of one of Canada's greatest musical legends. The exhibition celebrates the extraordinary life, music, and legacy of the virtuosic jazz pianist, composer, and humanitarian who captivated audiences around the world. The exhibition features musical instruments from Oscar Peterson's home studio, including vintage synthesizers, electronic instruments, and recording gear that illustrate his pioneering use and early adoption of electronic music technology.

TIMELESS

100 YEARS OF OSCAR PETERSON

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PHOTOS Left: photo by Marcy Gensic. Right: *Joni's Jazz* album cover.

NMC AND JONI MITCHELL PRESENT: JONI'S JAZZ

Feature Exhibition

Location:

Level 5

Dates:

Opens in 2027

Joni's Jazz explores the creative life of Canadian icon Joni Mitchell. Inspired by the *Joni's Jazz* box set curated by Mitchell herself, the exhibition traces her evolving connection to jazz through music, visual art, and storytelling, revealing how improvisation, risk, and artistic freedom shaped her work. The title *Joni's Jazz* serves as both a nod to her affinity for jazz and a metaphor for the rule-breaking, free-thinking way Mitchell approaches music, art, and life.



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS

I still remember when Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, was an ambitious vision. Today, it stands as a vibrant artistic catalyst and community hub, and it's been incredible to watch it grow and evolve over the past 10 years.

Canada's music story is a rich mosaic, and programming at the National Music Centre plays an important role in bringing those voices to life—past, present, and future. What makes this work so meaningful is seeing how people connect with it in real time. Whether it's a student discovering music through a school visit, a concertgoer experiencing something unforgettable, or an artist realizing a creative vision in our studios, those moments of connection are at the heart of everything we do.

At Studio Bell, there is always something new to explore. Some of the most rewarding work we do is rooted in community—collaborating with partners such as Alliance Française, Alberta Vocal Arts, Bow Valley College, Carifest, Fiesta Filipino, Honens, JazzYYC, Oscill8, and the Werklund Centre, among many others. These partnerships not only expand our reach, they ensure our programming reflects the diversity, creativity, and vibrancy of the communities we serve.

We're also creating new ways for audiences to connect more deeply with music. Series like Liner Notes: Inside the Rolling Stones Mobile Recording Studio and Music and Wellness: Synth Soundbath offer rare, intimate access to the instruments and sounds that have shaped music history—experiences that are immersive, personal, and unlike anything else. It's this kind of programming that transforms a visit into something memorable and meaningful.

As we celebrate this milestone year, we're excited to continue building on that momentum, bringing people together through music in ways that are inspiring, inclusive, and distinctly our own. I invite you to experience it for yourself.

Welcome to Studio Bell, where all songs and stories are celebrated.

Stephanie Hutchinson
Director of Programs

MESSAGE DE LA DIRECTRICE DES PROGRAMMES

Je me souviens encore de l'époque où Studio Bell, maison du Centre national de musique, n'était qu'une vision ambitieuse. Aujourd'hui, c'est un véritable carrefour artistique et communautaire, et c'est impressionnant de voir tout le chemin parcouru au cours des dix dernières années.

L'histoire musicale du Canada est une riche mosaïque, et la programmation du Centre national de musique joue un rôle essentiel pour faire vivre ces voix—passées, présentes et futures. Ce qui rend ce travail si précieux, c'est de voir comment les gens s'y connectent, en temps réel. Qu'il s'agisse d'un élève qui découvre la musique lors d'une visite scolaire, d'un spectateur qui vit un moment marquant, ou d'un artiste qui réalise une vision créative dans nos studios, ces expériences sont au cœur de tout ce que nous faisons.

À Studio Bell, il y a toujours quelque chose de nouveau à découvrir. Une grande part de notre travail repose sur les liens avec la communauté. Nous collaborons avec des partenaires comme l'Alliance Française, Alberta Vocal Arts, Bow Valley College, Carifest, Fiesta Filipino, Honens, JazzYYC, Oscill8 et le Werklund Centre, entre autres. Ces collaborations nous permettent d'aller plus loin et de proposer une programmation qui reflète la diversité, la créativité et l'énergie des communautés que nous servons.

Nous créons aussi de nouvelles façons de rapprocher le public de la musique. Des séries comme Liner Notes : à l'intérieur du studio mobile des Rolling Stones et Musique et bien-être : bain sonore aux synthétiseurs offrent un accès rare et intime à des instruments et à des sons qui ont marqué l'histoire musicale. Ce sont des expériences immersives, personnelles et uniques. C'est ce type de programmation qui transforme une visite en moment marquant.

Alors que nous célébrons cette année importante, nous souhaitons poursuivre sur cette lancée—rassembler les gens autour de la musique de manière inspirante, inclusive et fidèle à ce que nous sommes. Je vous invite à venir en faire l'expérience.

Bienvenue à Studio Bell, où toutes les chansons et toutes les histoires sont célébrées.

PHOTOS by Sara Melvin.



FEATURE CONCERTS

AUG NMC presents:
14-16 Eddy Fest

SEP NMC presents:
25 Under the Harvest Moon:
A Mid-Autumn Concert

SEP NMC presents:
30 National Day for Truth &
Reconciliation: Jeremy Dutcher

OCT NMC presents:
18 Mudmen

NOV NMC presents:
6 Six String Nation Guitar

NOV NMC presents:
22 The Barra MacNeils: An
East Coast Christmas
(afternoon and evening shows)

DEC NMC presents:
13 A Holly Jolly Jill Barber Christmas

FEB NMC presents:
24+25 Donovan Woods
2027

MAR 17 NMC presents:
2027 Alex Cuba

APR 2 NMC presents:
2027 Valdy

APR 17 NMC presents:
2027 Heartstrings & Honky Tonks

APR 24 NMC presents:
2027 Piano Heist

MAY NMC presents:
28+29 Barney Bentall: My Life in
2027 Ranching and Rock 'n' Roll

► Learn more and get tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on

fever presents

Candlelight

July 18 • July 26
July 27 • August 16
August 30 • September 20

THE JAZZ ROOM

October 10 • November 12
December 20 • February 21

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT PROGRAMS

From major festivals and celebrations to culturally themed events, National Music Centre hosts a wide range of programs and co-productions that reflect the diversity of Canada's musical landscape.

Developed with artists and community partners, each event is delivered with the aim of fostering connection and engagement, while showcasing the vibrancy of Canada's musical mosaic.

- JUL + AUG** NMC & Jubilee Arts present: **CIBC BackBeat – Bow & Tell**
- JUL 31** Historic Calgary Week: **Made in Canada – Pioneers of Sound**
- AUG 22** NMC & CBC present: **The Tragically Hip – A National Celebration**
- SEP 4** King & NMC Present: **GBËDU: An Afro-Jazz Orchestral Experience**
- SEP 10-12** NMC & Honens present: **Honens Festival**
- SEP 13** Craig Senyk Initiatives & NMC Present: **Devin Cooper's 7th Annual Ride to Remember**
- SEP 26** Candycmusic & NMC present: **Sing with the Live Band Workshop**
- OCT 15-17** NMC & Calgary Cinematheque present: **Faust – Film Screening**
- NOV 3** JazzYYC & NMC Present: **Dawn Pemberton – Portraits of the First Ladies of Jazz**
- NOV 8** NMC & StoryMusic present: **Little Red Riding Hood with Beethoven**
- NOV 14** Oscill8 SYNC Conference
- NOV 21** NMC & David Dacks present: **A Radio Active Journey**



PHOTOS Top: photo by Sebastian Buzzalino.

► Learn more and get tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on



PHOTOS Bottom: photo by Chad Schroter-Gillespie.

PHOTOS Left: photo by Sebastian Buzzalino. Right: photo by Neil Zeller.



NATIONAL DAYS OF SIGNIFICANCE

JUL 1 Studio Bell's 10-Year Anniversary Celebration on Canada Day
Free admission

SEP 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Free admission

NOV 11 Remembrance Day
Free admission

FEB 15 2027 Family Day
Free admission

MAR 20 2027 Journée internationale de la Francophonie
Free admission

JUN 21 2027 National Indigenous Peoples Day
Free admission

The National Music Centre is proud to recognize important national and cultural days by offering free admission to all, ensuring music remains accessible to everyone.

These dates honour diverse cultures and communities, preserve shared histories, and provide opportunities to build bridges through music.

We invite visitors of all backgrounds to engage with Canada's rich musical heritage in an inclusive and welcoming environment—completely free of charge on these special days.

► Learn more at studiobell.ca/whats-on





STUDIO BELL'S 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ON CANADA DAY

July 1, 2026

Free admission

Featuring Sharon, Lois & Bram
Singalong with Sharon & Randi

Studio Bell turns 10 on Canada Day—and everyone's invited to the party. Join the National Music Centre for an anniversary celebration filled with unforgettable live performances, can't-miss exhibits, and interactive fun for all ages. Come be part of the excitement as we honour the past, celebrate the present, and turn up the volume on the future of music in Canada.

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**A SHARON, LOIS & BRAM SINGALONG
WITH SHARON & RANDI**

**+ KUE VARO & THE ONLY HOPES
+ THE RHYTHM KATS**

LIVE MUSIC AT THE KING EDDY WITH
**JACQUIE DANIELS + TY BAYNTON
+ THE CHARMS**

PARTY ON THE KING EDDY ROOFTOP WITH
**TONI VERE + MILES CANYON
+ MEERA SYLVAIN + MATT BEATTY**

ALL DAY ACTIVITIES INCLUDING
**MUSIC ODYSSEY GOOSECHASE
+ DRUM-ALONG WITH BEATMAP MUSIC
+ KIMBALL THEATRE ORGAN DEMONSTRATIONS**



KING ¹⁹⁰⁵ EDDY

NMC PRESENTS

EDDY FEST

CELEBRATING
120 YEARS

AUGUST 14-16

NMC PRESENTS: EDDY FEST

August 14-16, 2026

Tickets and full lineup at
kingeddy.ca/whats-on.

The King Eddy has lived many lives over its 120-year existence. In honour of this anniversary, the National Music Centre presents Eddy Fest, a three-day music festival from August 14-16, celebrating every chapter of the venue's history. Eddy Fest showcases an eclectic mix of performances that represent the venue's past and present — from blues and rock to country and singer-songwriters — including Brother Bicker Band, Jade Elephant, Deicha & The VuDudes, Marcus Trummer, John Rutherford, and many more.

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MUSIC CITIES CONVENTION

September 29 to October 1, 2026

The **Music Cities Convention Alberta 2026** will bring together policymakers, industry leaders, and creatives to explore the transformative power of music in driving jobs, wellbeing, sustainability, and inclusive economic growth, all set in the dynamic landscape of Alberta, Canada.

The three-day program will cover a comprehensive range of topics, including strategies for developing the talent pipeline, integrating music into public health and social prescribing initiatives, and building destination value through music tourism and cultural infrastructure.

Attendees will also delve into forward-looking themes such as the role of Indigenous cultures and music economies, building a circular music economy, and the future of music policy, covering issues like AI, climate action, land use, and community empowerment. The convention will conclude with interactive sessions focused on supporting artists, city-level policy advocacy, and advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion.

300+ delegates from all over the world

30+ executive speakers

Live music events, featuring Alberta's vibrant music ecosystem

Receptions, afterparties, and local hospitality

Experience Calgary, Canada's fastest-growing city

Learn more and get tickets at:
musiccitiesevents.com/alberta



MUSIC CITIES
CONVENTION

CALGARY, ALBERTA

ALBERTA MUSIC CITIES CONVENTION 2026

September 29 – October 1 2026

Where music policy is defined and
shared to build better places for
everyone



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**UNDER THE
HARVEST MOON**

Mid-Autumn
CONCERT

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CHINESE ARTISTS ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA
加拿大华裔艺术家协会

SEPTEMBER 25
9月25日

**NMC
PRESENTS:
UNDER THE
HARVEST
MOON**

**A MID-AUTUMN
CONCERT**

September 25, 2026

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

Join us for an unforgettable Mid-Autumn celebration featuring live Chinese music, culture, and community, presented in partnership with the Alberta Chinese Artists Association. The concert will feature two of Calgary's leading Chinese Canadian ensembles — The GCB Band and Rainbow Chinese Assembly — along with special guest vocalist Mimi Bao, offering a unique musical perspective while celebrating the richness and diversity of Chinese musical traditions.

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 **NMC
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Jeremy Dutcher

National Day for Truth
and Reconciliation

SEPTEMBER 30

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NMC PRESENTS: JEREMY DUTCHER

September 30, 2026
National Day for Truth
and Reconciliation

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

In honour of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, NMC presents an evening with Jeremy Dutcher. A Two-Spirit song carrier, composer, ethnomusicologist, and Wolastoqiyik member of Tobique First Nation, Dutcher is dedicated to language revitalization. His award-winning music draws on archival recordings of his ancestors and is sung in Wolastoqey. His work incorporates classical and jazz influences with reverence for the traditional songs of his home and the urgency of modern-day resistance.

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Mudmen

OCTOBER 18

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NMC PRESENTS: MUDMEN

October 18, 2026

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

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Get ready for a high-octane night of Celtic-rock swagger as Mudmen hit the stage at Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre. With thunderous bagpipes, driving guitars, and infectious energy, Mudmen promise to deliver an unforgettable live experience. Always entertaining and undeniably unique, Mudmen are a blast of Celtic-infused rock energy. Known as much for their on-stage performances as their off-stage charisma, the band was originally discovered as The Campbell Brothers before signing with EMI Records and rebranding as Mudmen in the late 1990s.

 **NMC
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Six String Nation

Celebrating the Great Canadian Songbook

NOVEMBER 6

StudioBell

 **National Music Centre** **Centre National de Musique**



NMC PRESENTS: SIX STRING NATION

**CELEBRATING THE
GREAT CANADIAN
SONGBOOK**

November 6, 2026

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

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What if there was one object that embodied the countless stories of a truly diverse Canada? Voyageur, the guitar at the heart of the Six String Nation project, is literally built of these stories. Each of the 64 pieces that comprise the guitar is a doorway to a different perspective on the complex and diverse threads that weave together in the story of Canada. Join creator Jowi Taylor for performances by John Wort Hannam, JJ Shiplett, Emily Triggs, and Jaiden Riley bringing Voyageur to life.

The song of Canada is constantly being written, telling our stories from coast to coast to coast. This vast and unique land is built on diversity and the coming together of many cultures. It's what makes The Six String Nation Guitar not only a true Canadian treasure, but a uniquely living artifact and a perfect vehicle to help tell our stories and accompany our songs - built from a collection of artifacts as unique and varied as the country that gave the guitar, Voyageur, birth.

Steve Kane

Board of Directors, National Music Centre
Former President, Warner Music Canada

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BARRA MACNEILS

An East Coast Christmas



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The Barra MacNeils

NOVEMBER 22



StudioBell

10 National Music Centre
Centre National de Musique

NMC PRESENTS: THE BARRA MACNEILS AN EAST COAST CHRISTMAS

November 22, 2026

Showtimes: 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm.

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

Celebrate the season East Coast-style at Studio Bell as The Barra MacNeils fill the hall with soaring harmonies, fiery fiddles, and the joyful spirit of a Cape Breton Christmas. The Barra MacNeils — An East Coast Christmas is a musical potpourri of traditional MacNeil family favourites gleaned from Christmas ceilidhs, midnight masses, and the general festive frolic that accompanies each holiday season.

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A HOLLY JOLLY

Jill Barber

CHRISTMAS



DECEMBER 13

StudioBell

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Centre National de Musique

NMC PRESENTS: A HOLLY JOLLY JILL BARBER CHRISTMAS

December 13, 2026

Tickets at studiobell.ca/whats-on.

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Celebrate the holiday season with Jill Barber! The Juno-nominated singer-songwriter's critically acclaimed repertoire spans folk, vocal jazz, and pop, and includes songs in both French and English. An enchanting performer with an unforgettable voice once heard, never forgotten, Barber has headlined iconic venues across Canada and captivated audiences around the globe. Her evocative and timeless songs have been featured in film and television, earning her scores of fans and critical acclaim.





NMC
PRESENTS

Donovan Woods

FEBRUARY 24 + 25

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NMC PRESENTS: DONOVAN WOODS

February 24 & 25, 2027

Tickets on sale soon at
studiobell.ca/whats-on.

National Music Centre is thrilled to present two intimate evenings with Donovan Woods. Since releasing his first album more than a decade ago, the award-winning Canadian singer-songwriter's blend of folk, country, and pop has resonated with audiences around the world. One of music's most vulnerable storytellers, Woods has built a devoted following through his honest and unflinching songwriting. Alongside his acclaimed solo work, he has crafted songs for artists including Tim McGraw, Barenaked Ladies, Phillip Phillips, Ben Platt, and many more.

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Seniors' Wednesdays

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FOREVER YOUNG SENIORS' PROGRAM

Seniors' Wednesdays Weekly

Free admission for seniors every Wednesday, plus special programming once a month until November 4, 2026.

Learn more at studiobell.ca/seniors

Seniors' programs at Studio Bell celebrate lifelong connections to music. Throughout Seniors' Week, visitors are invited to explore special experiences designed for older adults, highlighting the ways music can spark memories, inspire creativity, and bring people together. Monthly programs for seniors and their families began in May 2026 and will continue through November, offering shared musical experiences across generations, with free admission for ages 65 and up.

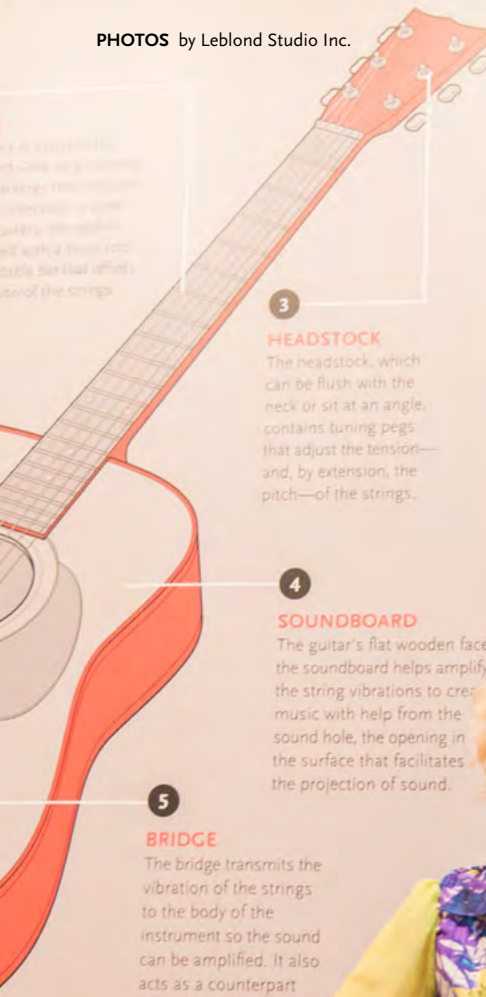
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MASTER PLAYERS



3 HEADSTOCK
The headstock, which can be flush with the neck or sit at an angle, contains tuning pegs that adjust the tension—and, by extension, the pitch—of the strings.

4 SOUNDBOARD
The guitar's flat wooden face, the soundboard helps amplify the string vibrations to create music with help from the sound hole, the opening in the surface that facilitates the projection of sound.

5 BRIDGE
The bridge transmits the vibration of the strings to the body of the instrument so the sound can be amplified. It also acts as a counterpart to the head, holding the strings in place.

EDEN ROSES
This is how roses got thorns! Ed Rosenbaum, a Canadian-born guitar player, was a member of the band The Beatles. He was also a member of the band The Beatles. He was also a member of the band The Beatles.



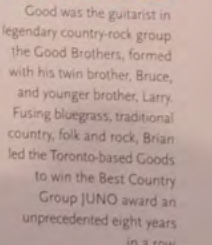
LIONA BOYD
With her 1986 album, *A Guitar for Christmas*, Boyd became the first classical guitarist to go platinum in Canada. Known affectionately as the First Lady of the Guitar, she has recorded with Yo-Yo Ma and Eric Clapton and is a member of the Order of Canada, among dozens of others honours.



BREA
A Winnipeg, the U.S. was a guitarist's dream. She played many styles of music.



BRIAN GOOD
Good was the guitarist in legendary country-rock group The Good Brothers, formed with his twin brother, Bruce, and younger brother, Larry. Fusing bluegrass, traditional country, folk and rock, Brian led the Toronto-based Good Brothers to win the Best Country Group JUNO award an unprecedented eight years in a row.





CIBC BACKBEAT WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Visit studiobell.ca/whats-on
for dates and details.

With CIBC BackBeat, visitors can catch an array of offerings on select Saturdays and Sundays during the day, including live sets by local artists, film screenings, community conversations, interactive activities, demonstrations, and more. Included with admission, BackBeat programs amp up the Studio Bell experience, giving visitors even more to see, hear, and do.

WINTER WEEKENDS

Visit studiobell.ca/whats-on
for dates and details.

During the holiday season, BackBeat transforms into Winter Weekends, featuring festive performances for visitors of all ages. On select Saturdays and Sundays in December, we'll deck the halls with community choirs, ensembles, and live music. It's the perfect way to celebrate the magic of the winter season through music!

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BOOK YOUR TOUR AT [NMC.CA/TOURS](https://nmc.ca/tours)

GREATEST HITS TOUR

Dive into the world of music technology and explore unique instruments from the National Music Centre's world-renowned collection.

This is your chance to see how music is made and experience one-of-a-kind instruments in action. Step beyond the exhibits as interpreters go behind the glass to demonstrate historic artifacts, sharing the mechanics, sounds, and stories that make each instrument extraordinary.

Plus, this tour includes a sneak peek into NMC's recording studios! For an in-depth studio experience, check out the Backstage Pass tours.

Times:

Saturdays and Sundays*
11:00 am and 2:30 pm

Tickets:

Adults: \$12
Students/Seniors: \$8
Youth (4-12): \$8
Kids 3 and under: Free
NMC Members: Free

**Tour dates and times are subject to availability. Visit nmc.ca/tours. Studio Bell admission is required.*

BACKSTAGE PASS TOUR

Take an exclusive tour backstage at Studio Bell and see music come to life in the National Music Centre's recording studios.

Catch a behind-the-scenes glimpse at the working spaces of our world-class recording facilities and hear the stories behind notable artifacts—spanning 450 years of music innovation and technology—from the earliest instruments in the NMC Collection, such as a 16th century Trasuntino Harpsichord, to modern electronics, like TONTO, considered to be the 'holy grail' of synthesizers.

Plus, you'll get to see the legendary Rolling Stones Mobile Studio!

Times:

Saturdays and Sundays*
12:00 pm and 1:30 pm

Tickets:

Adults: \$16
Students/Seniors: \$12
Musicians: \$12
NMC Members: \$10

**Tour dates and times are subject to availability. Visit nmc.ca/tours. Studio Bell admission is required.*



LINER NOTES

INSIDE THE ROLLING STONES
MOBILE RECORDING STUDIO



A NATIONAL MUSIC CENTRE EXPERIENCE



LINER NOTES: INSIDE THE ROLLING STONES MOBILE RECORDING STUDIO

Sticky Fingers – The Rolling Stones
Led Zeppelin III – Led Zeppelin
Mystery to Me – Fleetwood Mac
Machine Head – Deep Purple

Learn more and get tickets
at studiobell.ca/whats-on

Liner Notes: Inside the Rolling Stones Mobile Studio is part storytelling tour, part listening session, exploring the legendary albums recorded in the studio on wheels known as the “Sistine Chapel of rock ‘n’ roll.” Guided by a talented musician educator, each tour will highlight a different landmark record from Deep Purple, Fleetwood Mac, The Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, and more. Hear the music on vintage equipment, uncover the stories behind the recordings, and enjoy a live interpretation by your tour guide.





SCHOOL GROUPS AND FIELD TRIPS

For: School groups

Location: Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, Calgary

Learn more at
nmc.ca/schools

Learn through the lens of music with a field trip experience at Studio Bell. NMC's curriculum-connected programs align with Alberta's K-12 programs of study and feature hands-on learning with instruments and artifacts from the NMC Collection. Led by musician educators, each program brings musical concepts to life in an engaging and interactive way. With a range of program options available, teachers can choose experiences that best support their classroom learning goals.

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VOICES OF CANADA

For: School groups

Location: Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, Calgary

Learn more at
nmc.ca/voices-of-canada

Voices of Canada is a curriculum-aligned program that explores Canada's cultural diversity through music. Featuring live performances, panel discussions, and audience interaction, students engage with the stories and songs of Canadian artists from a range of backgrounds. The program connects music to history, identity, and lived experience, encouraging critical thinking and empathy while offering an engaging, multi-sensory learning experience.



SUMMER CAMPS

For: Ages 6–12

Location: Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, Calgary

When: July and August

Learn more at
nmc.ca/camps

National Music Centre's camps invite young rock stars in the making to explore music through hands-on, creative experiences. Guided by experienced instructors, the camps encourage creativity, confidence, and self-expression. Each one-week camp concludes with a live performance, giving participants the opportunity to share what they've created.

Music Makers (ages 6-9) is perfect for little beginners wanting to explore sound through fun, hands-on activities. **Build a Band** (ages 9-12) is all about jamming, songwriting, and performing like real rock stars.





► **DEC 13**
Jam Club Gig Day
King Eddy • No cover



JAM CLUB

For: Youth ages 13 – 19

Location: Studio Bell, West Block

Day & Time: Thursdays, 3–6 pm

Cost: Free

Learn more at nmc.ca/jam-club

Jam Club is a free, after-school drop-in program for teens to develop their musical skills and explore their creativity. Open to all skill levels, the program provides a supportive environment where participants can practice, collaborate, and connect with other like-minded youth. Led by a team of musicians and educators, Jam Club offers valuable opportunities for young people to hone their musical craft individually or as part of a group.

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NMC'S RECORDING STUDIOS

Learn more at
nmc.ca/our-studios

National Music Centre's recording studios are unlike any other studio environment. With three historic analog recording consoles, state-of-the-art acoustic design, and access to over 200 musical instruments spanning 450 years of music technology, artists can explore one of the greatest instrument collections in the world—and use history to make history. NMC's recording studios are available through our artist development programs, and through commercial bookings.



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Artist mini RESIDENCIES



NMC ARTIST MINI- RESIDENCIES 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Learn more at
nmc.ca/mini-residencies

NMC has selected 10 Alberta-based musicians for a short but powerful burst of creative time in our world-class recording studios: avant-garde ensemble Ackerley, Sharif, Rafiq, de Jong Improvising Unit, folk-pop songwriter and producer Colin Carbonera, jazz and hip-hop outfit Hip Hip Thursday, neo-jazz singer Kreesha Turner, composer and electronic artist Noel Fanaeian, alt-rock Irish fusion project oStella, singer-songwriter Rachel Gleddie, neo-classical artist Sarah Houston, folk trio The Three Sisters, and shoegazers Witch Victim.

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OHSOTO'KINO

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Learn more at
nmc.ca/ohsotokino

► **SEP 17**
OHSOTO'KINO Music
Incubator Showcase
Tickets at studiobell.ca

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Guided by NMC's National Indigenous Advisory Committee, OHSOTO'KINO is an Indigenous programming initiative focused on music creation, artist development, and exhibitions via the annually updated *Speak Up!* gallery. The OHSOTO'KINO Recording Bursary gives Indigenous artists the opportunity to record in NMC's professional studio spaces and explore its renowned living collection of rare and iconic musical instruments, while the OHSOTO'KINO Music Incubator supports emerging Indigenous artists through mentorship, career-development workshops, and live performance opportunities.





Live from the King Eddy

◆ ROLLING STONES MOBILE STUDIO RECORDING RESIDENCIES ◆

LIVE FROM THE KING EDDY RSM RECORDING RESIDENCIES & LIVE CONCERT SERIES

Learn more and get tickets
at studiobell.ca/whats-on

During Studio Bell's 10th anniversary year from July 1, 2026 to July 1, 2027, the National Music Centre is inviting a select group of acclaimed artists to Calgary for Live from the King Eddy — multi-night recording residencies that capture the energy of a live show through one of the most legendary mobile studios in music history — the Rolling Stones Mobile Studio.

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ARTIST ENTREPRENEUR WEST

This year marks 10 years of AE West!

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Artist Entrepreneur West (AE West) is a creative entrepreneurship program designed to support emerging artists in Western and Northern Canada to build sustainable music careers. Through personalized mentorship, industry workshops, networking opportunities, and hands-on training, participants gain practical skills in areas such as marketing, touring, production, and business development. Hosted at Studio Bell, the program also provides access to NMC's recording studios and living collection, helping artists develop both their creative and professional practice.

AE WEST

► DEC 2
AE West Artist
Showcase



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NMC MUSIC THERAPY INITIATIVE

Learn more and get involved
at nmc.ca/music-therapy

National Music Centre's Music Therapy Initiative brings the healing power of music across Canada, in collaboration with JB Music Therapy. Through partnerships with healthcare and community organizations, certified music therapists deliver programs that support emotional, physical, and cognitive wellbeing. Beginning in Calgary and now expanding across the country, this initiative is bringing the healing power of music to those who need it.

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SYNTH SOUNDBATH MUSIC & WELLNESS

Last Sunday of every month*

Learn more and get tickets at
studiobell.ca/whats-on

*Dates subject to change.

Plunge into a Music and Wellness: Synth Soundbath, where live electronic soundscapes, responsive visuals, and guided sound meditation combine for a new take on wellness. Using National Music Centre's rare modular synthesizers and calming visuals, a musician educator guides a multisensory journey where sound is both heard and felt. Participants explore how sound frequencies can influence mood, focus, and relaxation, while experiencing the powerful connection between sound, vibration, and wellbeing.





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Take the music home with you. The NMC Gift Shop & Café features a curated selection of music-inspired merchandise and gifts for any occasion, including vinyl records, books, art, apparel, toys, jewellery, and handmade wares by Canadian artisans. The café offers coffee, drinks, fresh pastries, grab-and-go snacks, and more, making it the perfect place to relax and recharge during your visit.



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Amplify is the National Music Centre's home online to share the ongoing story of music in Canada. An extension of NMC's onsite programs, including exhibitions, artist development, performance, and education, Amplify is a virtual hub for the sounds and stories of music in Canada aimed at connecting with music fans everywhere.

amplify.nmc.ca

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is my Studio Bell admission ticket for timed entry?

Studio Bell admission is not timed entry, so your admission ticket is valid all day. You are welcome to come and go during the day, just ensure to show your ticket to the Visitor Experience desk upon re-entry.

How much time do people typically spend at Studio Bell?

To explore all five floors of the museum, we recommend spending two hours. If you choose to visit Studio Bell on a day when other programming is happening, this may increase the length of your visit.

Are group rates available for admission?

Yes, group rates are available for groups larger than 10 if paid all together in one transaction. Please contact our Visitor Experience team at 403-543-5115 for more information.

Where can I park?

Street parking is located along 8 Avenue SE with two paid public lots on the north and south sides of the street. The lot directly north of Studio Bell is not owned by or affiliated with National Music Centre, and it only accepts payment via the mobile app (no kiosk available).

Are visitors allowed to take photos?

Photography for personal use without the use of flash, tripods, or selfie-sticks is permitted. If you would like to arrange for a commercial photo or video shoot, please inquire with our Events Team.

Are food and beverages available for purchase?

The NMC Gift Shop & Café offers grab-and-go snacks and drinks, and fresh pastries.

Does Studio Bell have a gift shop?

Yes. After your visit, be sure to stop at the NMC Gift Shop & Café. Shop for exclusive NMC merchandise, find your new favourite book, or find a one-of-a-kind gift for the music lover in your life.

ACCESSIBILITY

All exhibition stages, performance areas, entrances, and hallways are physically accessible and barrier-free. Two large elevators provide access to all levels of the building.

At present, accessibility for visitors who are blind or have low vision is limited. We acknowledge this gap and are working toward improving access in the future.

For questions about accessibility or to discuss specific needs in advance of your visit, please contact us. Our team will do our best to support your experience.

Accessible Entrance:

The north entrance off of 4 Street SE next to the NMC Gift Shop is fully accessible.

Wheelchair Rentals:

Wheelchairs are available. Please see Visitor Experience upon your arrival.

Service Dogs:

Service dogs with proper identification are welcome.

Caregivers:

Caregivers with proof of identification receive free admittance to Studio Bell. Please note only one caregiver admission is offered per individual.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

Our Visitor Experience team is happy to help with any questions or details you'd like to know. For more information, simply call 403-543-5115 or email info@studiobell.ca.

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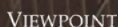
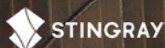
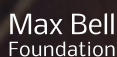
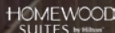
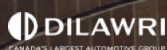
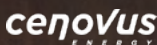
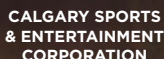
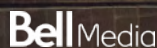
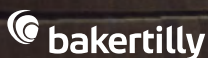
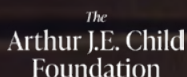


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