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Cozy up with Jann Arden and Arts Commons Presents to Celebrate the Spirit of the Season

November 28, 2024 - CALGARY – Back by popular demand, JUNO Award winning singer/songwriter, best-selling author, and television personality performs at the Jack Singer Concert Hall this December, spreading the yuletide cheer in a two-night live performance. Join Arts Commons Presents for the **Jann Arden Christmas Tour** on **Thursday, December 19** and **Friday, December 20** at **7:30 p.m.** in the **Jack Singer Concert Hall** at Arts Commons. Learn more artscommons.ca/jann.

In a showcase of festive music and heart-warming stories of celebrating Christmas growing up in her hometown of Calgary, Jann Arden will perform songs from her 2015 album, *A Jann Arden Christmas* as well as several of her best loved hits. This winning combination of Canadian holiday nostalgia made for television gold in both 2021 and 2022 in a fictionalized depiction of Arden’s experience in a CTV Christmas special, *Jann: Alone for the Holidays*. For many Calgarians who also grew-up here, *Jann Arden Christmas Tour* is an evening that will hit them right in the nostalgic feels with stories conjured up from Arden’s youth. [The Jann Arden Christmas Tour is taking Western Canada](#) by storm, ending in Calgary on December 19 & 20, 2024.

“CALGARY is my hometown. I am a born and raised local girl, we actually planned this entire tour so the last two shows would end at the Arts Commons! It’s always the littlest things that make you feel like Christmas is starting,” says Jann Arden.

Born and raised in Calgary, Jann Arden is a Canadian icon. She has sold over 10 million albums with numerous awards and accolades to her name. That encompasses 28 JUNO Award nominations and nine wins, including solo artist of the year in 1994, Songwriter of the Year in 1995 and 2002, and Female Artist of the Year in 1995 and 2001. Branching into television and literature, her comedy TV series based on a fictionalized version of her life, *Jann*, launched in 2018 and was renewed for a second season in 2020. She has written five books, including 2017’s Canadian best-seller, *FEEDING MY MOTHER: Comfort and Laughter in the Kitchen as My Mom Lives with Memory Loss*, which spent a combined 44 weeks on The Globe and Mail bestseller list. She has a star on Canada’s Walk of Fame, is a recipient of the Order of Canada, and is a Canadian Music Hall of Fame inductee.

“The last time I saw Jann Arden onstage I was mesmerized by her effortless charisma and her unstoppable talent and showmanship. So much fun! It’s a special time of year and whether you celebrate or not, spending time with this homegrown Canadian icon is the perfect choice for this time of year” says Sarah Garton Stanley (SGS), VP of Programming at Arts Commons.

In the spirit of the season, Arts Commons Presents is happy to welcome the Calgary Food Bank to collect donations, pre- and post-show, and during intermission of the *Jann Arden Christmas Tour*.

Arts Commons Presents is the programming arm of Arts Commons, presenting a diverse line-up of concerts, speaker presentations, youth programming, and emerging artist showcases. Outside of the three signature series of BD&P World Stage, Classic Albums Live, and National Geographic Live, Arts Commons Presents also

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shares special presentations that are just too good to pass up. To learn about all the shows in the 2023-24 season of Arts Commons Presents, visit acpresents.ca.

What: Arts Commons Presents – *A Jann Arden Christmas*
When: Thursday, December 19 and Friday, December 20 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Jack Singer Concert Hall, Arts Commons
Tickets: 403-294-9494 or visit artscommons.ca/jann

Arts Commons wishes to express our sincere appreciation to the **Government of Canada through Canadian Heritage**, the **Government of Alberta**, and our friends at **The City of Calgary**.

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