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Rotary Centre for the Arts Honoured to Receive Kelowna Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Award 2023

(Kelowna, BC) - The Rotary Centre for the Arts (RCA), under the direction of the KVPACS (Kelowna Visual and Performing Arts Centre Society), is pleased to receive the 2023 Kelowna Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Award for Arts and Entertainment Achievement. The 36th Annual Awards Gala took place on Friday, November 17 at the Delta Hotel, marking a momentous occasion for the RCA.

The 36th Annual Kelowna Business Excellence Awards recognize and celebrate the best in Kelowna-area business and community leadership. It celebrates excellence in various sectors, acknowledging organizations that demonstrate innovation, community involvement, and overall business excellence. The awards received a total of 300 applications across 16 categories. In the specific Arts and Entertainment Achievement category, the RCA emerged as one of the two finalists, alongside the Kore Dance Project.

RCA's Executive Director Colleen Fitzpatrick says, "We are honoured to receive the 2023 Kelowna Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Award. This recognition is a testament to the hard work and passion of our dedicated team, as well as the support of our community. The Rotary Centre for the Arts is committed to providing a platform for artistic expression, and we are proud to have an impact on the cultural landscape of Kelowna."

The Arts and Entertainment Achievement Award recognizes the RCA's commitment to enriching the cultural fabric of Kelowna through its range of artistic programs, performances, and community engagement initiatives. The award acknowledges the RCA's dedication to fostering creativity, promoting cultural diversity, and enhancing the overall quality of life in Kelowna.

The RCA wishes to express its sincere appreciation to their award gala table sponsors, [Waste Connections of Canada](#) and [Doak Sherrif](#). Their invaluable support has allowed the RCA staff to partake in the award gala festivities, acknowledging the profound impact they contribute daily to cultivate a resilient arts and culture hub.

The RCA also extends appreciation to the Kelowna Chamber of Commerce and its panel of judges for recognizing its impact on the local arts scene. The award serves as motivation for the RCA to continue its mission of promoting and nurturing the arts in Kelowna.

For more information about the Rotary Centre for the Arts and its programs, please visit:
<https://rotarycentreforthearts.com>.

For more information about the Kelowna Chamber of Commerce, please visit:
<https://www.kelownachamber.org>.

About the Rotary Centre for the Arts

Located in the heart of Kelowna's Cultural District, the [Rotary Centre for the Arts](#) is a multidisciplinary visual and performing arts centre. The RCA improves the economic, cultural, and social quality of life in the community by fostering participation in, and appreciation of the arts. The RCA brings together individuals of all ages and backgrounds to share in the excitement of strengthening art and culture in the Okanagan celebrating creative expression through diverse art forms and disciplines. The Rotary Centre for the Arts respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the Syilx/Okanagan People.

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