





# **WOMEN IN THE ARTS**

Many arts & cultural organizations are lead by women.

In celebration of *International Women's Day* we are presenting several artistic leaders in the performing arts.



# ROYAL CANADIAN THEATRE COMPANY

The Royal Canadian Theatre Company (RCTC) is a not-for-profit theatre company, based in Surrey, bc.
Founded in 2006 and currently operated by Managing Artistic Director, Ellie King, the RCTC offers an exciting mix of touring professional and semi-professional theatre. While guiding the company into their 11th season, Ellie maintains a well-established career in stage direction, scriptwriting and performance.

### SCOTIABANK DANCE CENTRE



The Dance Centre is Vancouver's prime headquarters for the dance industry in BC. Executive Director, Mirna Zagar has been a vital influence in the Dance Centre's developmental success, since she joined the team in 1998. From her passionate beginnings in Croatia to her award-winning accomplishments in Canada, Mirna continues to underline her work with cultural inclusivity and artistic innovation.

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## CARAVAN FARM THEATRE

Caravan Farm Theatre is a professional outdoor theatre company based on an 80-acre farm in Armstrong. Their current Artistic & Managing Director, Estelle Shook, has overseen the organization for two separate terms - from 1998 to 2010, and from 2016 to present-day. By her side, is Associate Artistic Director, Jamie King. Together, they break traditional theatrical conventions season after season, creating their own version of the spectator/performer bond

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#### KAMLOOPS SYMPHONY



The Kamloops Symphony is a major music organization which presents a main series of 9 full orchestra programs in Kamloops and Salmon Arm, as well as a series of educational programs.

While Music Director Dina Gilbert conducts this robust team of musicians, she also helms the Orchestre symphonique de l'Estuaire in her home province of Québec. She is known for her kinetic on-stage presence and "audacious" programming.

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