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## Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra cancels February concerts

Calgary Alta. (January 20, 2022) — Given the continuing uncertainty around the public health situation in our communities, ongoing challenges with international travel, and a temporary technical issue with humidification in the concert hall that could affect some orchestra instruments, the Calgary Philharmonic is cancelling three concerts in February: I Rise on 5 February, A Romantic Evening in Italy on 11 + 12 February, and Katherine Chi performs Beethoven on 18 + 19 February. The organization is aiming to reschedule these concerts as part of its 2022/2023 Season.

The four-part online series The Bear and the Wild Rose will go ahead as planned with a new episode premiering every Sunday in February. Learn more about this program led by Tom Jackson at calgaryphil.com/the-bear-and-the-wild-rose. The Orchestra plans to resume live performances with The Music of Queen on 4 + 5 March, but will remain flexible and adjust if needed.

The decision to cancel concerts was not made lightly — the Calgary Phil's purpose and passion is to bring live orchestral music to its communities. The organization is committed to returning to live performances as soon as possible, while continuing to make the health and safety of audience members, musicians, and staff a top priority. Information and updates will be posted at calgaryphil.com.

Ticket holders are being given the option to choose a full refund, credit, or to make a donation to the Calgary Phil equivalent to the value of their tickets.

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### **About the Calgary Philharmonic**

The Calgary Philharmonic celebrated 65 years as a pillar of Calgary's vibrant arts community in 2020 and has grown to be one of Canada's most celebrated live music ensembles. Led by Music Director Rune Bergmann, the Calgary Phil presents classical standards, pop favourites, bold collaborations, and cutting-edge new works, and attracts world-renowned guest artists and dynamic conductors. In a typical Season, the Orchestra welcomes over 100,000 visitors to the concert hall and reaches audiences around the world through its free and accessible digital programming and live-stream initiative — an immersive, online concert experience that launched in 2017. Follow the Calgary Philharmonic @calgaryphil on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and register for email updates at calgaryphil.com/newsletter.

