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Award-winning country artist Corb Lund returns to Calgary to perform with Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra

Calgary, AB. (December 1, 2022) - After a sold-out performance with the Calgary Philharmonic in 2017, Juno and CCMA Award-winning country and western singer-songwriter Corb Lund returns to Calgary for two concerts with the Orchestra. An Evening with Corb Lund takes place on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at Mount Royal University's intimate Bella Concert Hall at the Taylor Centre for the Performing Arts, and Corb Lund in Concert will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at the Jack Singer Concert Hall. Led by Associate Conductor Karl Hirzer, both concerts are presented with support from the Taylor Family Foundation to bring world-class performers to Calgary.

"We are really grateful to the Taylor family, who have committed multi-year support to bring superstar artists like Corb Lund to perform for Calgary audiences with the fantastic musicians of your Calgary Phil," says Marc Stevens, President + CEO of the Calgary Phil. "We can't wait to welcome Alberta's own country legend back to Calgary to perform with the Orchestra."

A rural Albertan hailing from the foothills of the Rocky Mountains with a long family lineage of ranchers and rodeo people, Corb Lund is about as authentic as they come. Embracing both his Western heritage and his indie rock past through his music, Lund has been known to filter a range of cowboy themes past and present through his unique lens — from rough-and-tumble tales of lawless frontier saloons to the sombre realities of running a modern family ranch. Corb Lund released his highly anticipated album Agricultural Tragic through Warner Music Canada in June 2020 — his first album of original songs in five years — to much acclaim.

Presented in partnership with Mount Royal University, An Evening with Corb Lund on Thursday, April 27, will feature Corb Lund on the stage of the intimate Bella Concert Hall, joined by members of the Orchestra in an evening with music reminiscent of hometown honky-tonks and blazing city lights. Then, on Saturday, April 29, the country superstar will take centre stage for Corb Lund in Concert at the beautiful Jack Singer Concert Hall for a concert with everything to get your cowboy boots stompin' — from country rock to rural ballads, and from riffin' roots to Western swing.

Tickets start at \$49 and go on sale to the public on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 10 a.m. MST. For more information and to buy tickets, visit calgaryphil.com.

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About Corb Lund

Corb Lund has received multiple CCMA, JUNO, and international award nominations and wins. A rural Albertan hailing from the Foothills of the Rocky Mountains with a long family lineage of ranchers and rodeo people, Lund is about as authentic as they come. Embracing both his Western heritage and his indie rock past through his music, Lund has been known to filter a range of cowboy themes past and present through his unique lens - from rough-and-tumble tales of lawless frontier saloons to the somber realities of running a modern family ranch. Most recently, Lund released *Songs My Friends Wrote*. The 10-song set features Lund putting his spin on some of his favourite songs written by close friends and world-class songwriters such as Hayes Carll, Todd Snider, Canadian country music legend Ian Tyson, and more. Met with critical acclaim, *Holler* said in their 8.5 out of 10 Star review, "Lund unearths, dusts off, and revives lost should-have-been classics, hopefully encouraging listeners to search out the original versions" while *American Songwriter* said, "Lund remains a singular artist, and the fact that he can take outside material without being affected by any dominating influence provides all the proof we needed." *No Depression* said, "...he and his band, the Hurtin' Albertans, deliver lively, empathetic versions that will renew your appreciation for the songs you're familiar with and pique your interest in the writers of those you're not," while *Glide Magazine* said, "...the appeal is unavoidable." With *Songs My Friends Wrote*, Lund won his 14th career Canadian Country Music Award in 2022. The album is the follow-up to 2020's critically acclaimed *Agricultural Tragic*, Lund's first studio album of original material in five years, which earned him a CCMA in 2021 as well. Lund also recently had his debut on stage at the historic Grand Ole Opry. Lund will spend the rest of 2022 doing what he loves best, being on the road, before writing another album of originals for release in 2023.

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 Orchestra presents classical standards, pop favourites, bold collaborations, and cutting-edge new works and attracts world-renowned guest artists and dynamic conductors each season. In addition to 66 orchestra musicians, the Calgary Phil is one of two major symphony orchestras in Canada that has its own chorus of over 120 volunteer singers, which celebrates 60 years in 2023. In a typical season, the Calgary Phil welcomes over 100,000 visitors to the concert hall, engages more than 10,000 students through educational programs, and reaches audiences worldwide through free and accessible digital programming. Follow the Calgary Phil at @calgaryphil on social media and register for email updates at calgaryphil.com.