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Beat Beethoven + Phil in the Park – 8 Sept 2024 at Prince's Island

Calgary Phil and Run Calgary team up to bring you an afternoon of music and movement

Calgary AB. (25 June, 2024) — The Calgary Philharmonic and Run Calgary are pleased to announce the seventh annual **Beat Beethoven**. Now bigger and better than before, this year's event takes place on Sunday, September 8 at 2PM in Prince's Island Park and features a free concert for all Calgarians by the Calgary Phil.

Run, walk, or waltz a 4 km or looped 8 km course along the beautiful Bow River while the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra performs. Challenge yourself to beat the clock and complete the course as the Orchestra finishes their first set! It's an exhilarating way to combine the thrill of physical activity with the joy of live orchestral music. Registration at runyyc.ca is required for the run.

We're thrilled to expand the event this year with **Phil in the Park** — a free outdoor concert for everyone featuring Calgary Phil Music Director Rune Bergmann leading the Orchestra through 50 minutes of Beethoven's best music during the race. When the runners return, after a short break, the Orchestra will continue to perform a variety of music. This family-friendly event is perfect for the whole community, so grab your blankets, picnic baskets, and get ready for an unforgettable afternoon of music. The concert is open to everyone and free with registration at calgaryphil.com.

Interview opportunities and images available upon request.

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About the Calgary Philharmonic

The Calgary Philharmonic has been a pillar of Calgary's vibrant arts scene since 1955 and in that time has grown to be one of Canada's most celebrated live music ensembles. Led by Music Director Rune Bergmann, the Orchestra presents a wide range of concerts, inspiring education programs, and reaches audiences worldwide through free and accessible digital programming. In addition to 66 full-time orchestra musicians, the Calgary Phil is one of two major symphony orchestras in Canada that has its own chorus of over 120 volunteer singers. In a typical season, the Calgary Phil welcomes over 100,000 visitors, connecting audiences to live music experiences, and serves the city of Calgary by fostering creativity and belonging. Your Phil. Your Music.

About Run Calgary

Your city, your races. Run Calgary partners with our city's most beloved institutions showcasing beloved organizations, spaces and causes through exceptional events. Create lasting memories and new traditions when you sign up for, train and participate in any of our annual events.

