

## PROCLAMATION

Calgary is a city that celebrates its cultural and artistic diversity, a city that showcases the wide range of interests, talents and opportunities available here, and welcomes the energy creative Calgarians of all ages and specialties bring to the life of our community as a whole.

The numbers tell the story: over the 2009 season, more than 2.7 million attended public arts performances, including over 7000 new works, and more than 1 million people participated in educational arts programs. To accommodate these growing numbers, many new cultural spaces are being created, adding significantly to the capacity of the facilities already in place.

September kicks-off Calgary 2012 - a time for conversations about culture and to dream big about how they want to celebrate culture in Calgary in 2012 with the goal to have Calgary named Cultural Capital of Canada.

Our arts and cultural community during the 2010/2011 season, supported by thousands of volunteers, will stage and host an even greater range of performances, competitions and exhibitions, events all Calgarians can enjoy, savor and applaud.

Whereas: The diversity of skills, and the opportunity to honour, display and share those skills, is a measure of a city's greatness;

Whereas: Calgary is increasingly being recognized as a city that acknowledges and celebrates excellence in all areas of personal accomplishment;

Whereas: Skilled, creative and talented performers, artists and artisans from national and international stages will be here throughout the 2010/2011 season, bringing additional abilities and flair to Calgary theatres, galleries and competition venues; therefore.

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Calgary, I hereby proclaim the month of September 2010 as:

**“CULTURE MONTH”**



Dave Bronconnier  
**MAYOR**