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Front Range Magic You Have to See to Believe Regional Series Showcases Some of the Best Talent in Colorado

(Pueblo, Colo.- August 9, 2019) This year's Regional Series at the Arts Center brings renowned performances from throughout the Front Range to Pueblo, serving live performance lovers of all ages. The series is a great place to see some of your favorites or to "discover" the next big thing. The talent showcased during the series is varied - but the atmosphere will always remain the same... fun, niche-based, and comfortable - never stuffy. Season tickets are \$76 (\$60 for members) and available now and available now by calling (719) 295-7200 or online here: <https://www.sdc-arts.org/performances/RegionalSeries>. Individual tickets are \$20 (\$16 for members).

The Laramie Project | Saturday, September 7, 2019, 7:30 pm

In October 1998, a twenty-one-year-old student at the University of Wyoming was kidnapped, severely beaten, tied to a fence and left to die in the prairie outside Laramie, Wyoming. His name was Matthew Shepard, and he was the victim of this assault because he was gay. In the aftermath, the Tectonic Project conducted more than 200 interviews with the people of the town to create this docudrama, ultimately compiling a breathtaking collage that explores the depths to which humanity can sink and the heights of compassion of which we are capable.

Free Holiday Concert by Pueblo Municipal Band | Sunday, December 15, 2019, 2:00 pm

Pueblo's Municipal Band has been playing every summer since 1913 and contains sixty-five members. All of these musicians are performing because they have a passion to produce captivating sounds. This performance features the entire concert ensemble and the Pueblo Municipal Jazz Band.

Oddville | Thursday, January 16, 2020, 7:30 pm

Hilarious and hi-tech, magical and musical, beautiful and touching and, of course, a bit odd. It's a one-man show where the one man doesn't talk but somehow speaks to your five senses until you can't help but blurt out, "Wait, What? How did that happen? THAT'S AWESOME!" As seen on "America's Got Talent," this is a heartfelt story packed with charming live feats, spectacular technology, and set to the soundtrack of our lives.

A Bit of Sea Between - A Celtic Adventure | Friday, March 13, 2020, 7:30 pm

Ken Willson and Kim McKee have toured for 29 years and won international awards for songwriting and instrumental work. This St. Patrick's Day weekend, join them for a virtual trip to Ireland and Scotland through folklore - timeless oral traditions, music, stories, history, landscape, and culture will come alive as they weave the ancient and the contemporary into a memorable adventure.

Opera Á La Carte: Classics and *Carmen* | Saturday, May 16, 2020, 7:30 pm

Opera Colorado begins the night with a "Best Of" session of arias and ensembles, showcasing pieces the audience is sure to recognize. After intermission, return for an abridged version of *Carmen* - Bizet's operatic masterpiece - widely acclaimed for its brilliance of melody, harmony, drama, and for the skill with which Bizet represented the emotions and suffering of his characters. *Carmen* includes the popular "Habanera" and "Toreador Song."

The 2019-2020 Regional Series is presented by Carolyn Jackson with support from Montgomery-Steward Funeral Directors, Midtown Shopping Center, Dorothy O'Dowd, The Baumberger Family, Dee Rogers Brown, Ted & Sylvia Clair, Warren Diodosio, Nick Gradisar, Hunter Orthodontics, John Lee, Susan Ooton & Gary Thomas, Dorothy Shaw, Laura Solano, and Val Tursi.

About the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center:

The cultural hub of Southern Colorado, the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center gives visitors the tools to think and act creatively through a three building complex including seven galleries offering the best in historic and contemporary art by artists of local, regional and national renown. The Arts Center offers the Buell Children's Museum, recognized as the second-best for art by Child magazine, a 500-seat theater featuring a variety of performing arts programs, both local and national, and two gift shops. Over 100 fine arts, dance, and leisure classes are available quarterly providing unique offerings to everyone from children to adults of all skill levels. Admission to the Arts Center is \$10 for adults, \$8 for children, seniors 65+, and military. For more information, please call 719-295-7200; stop by the Arts Center located at 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., just off of I-25, exit 98B, or visit online at www.sdc-arts.org.

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