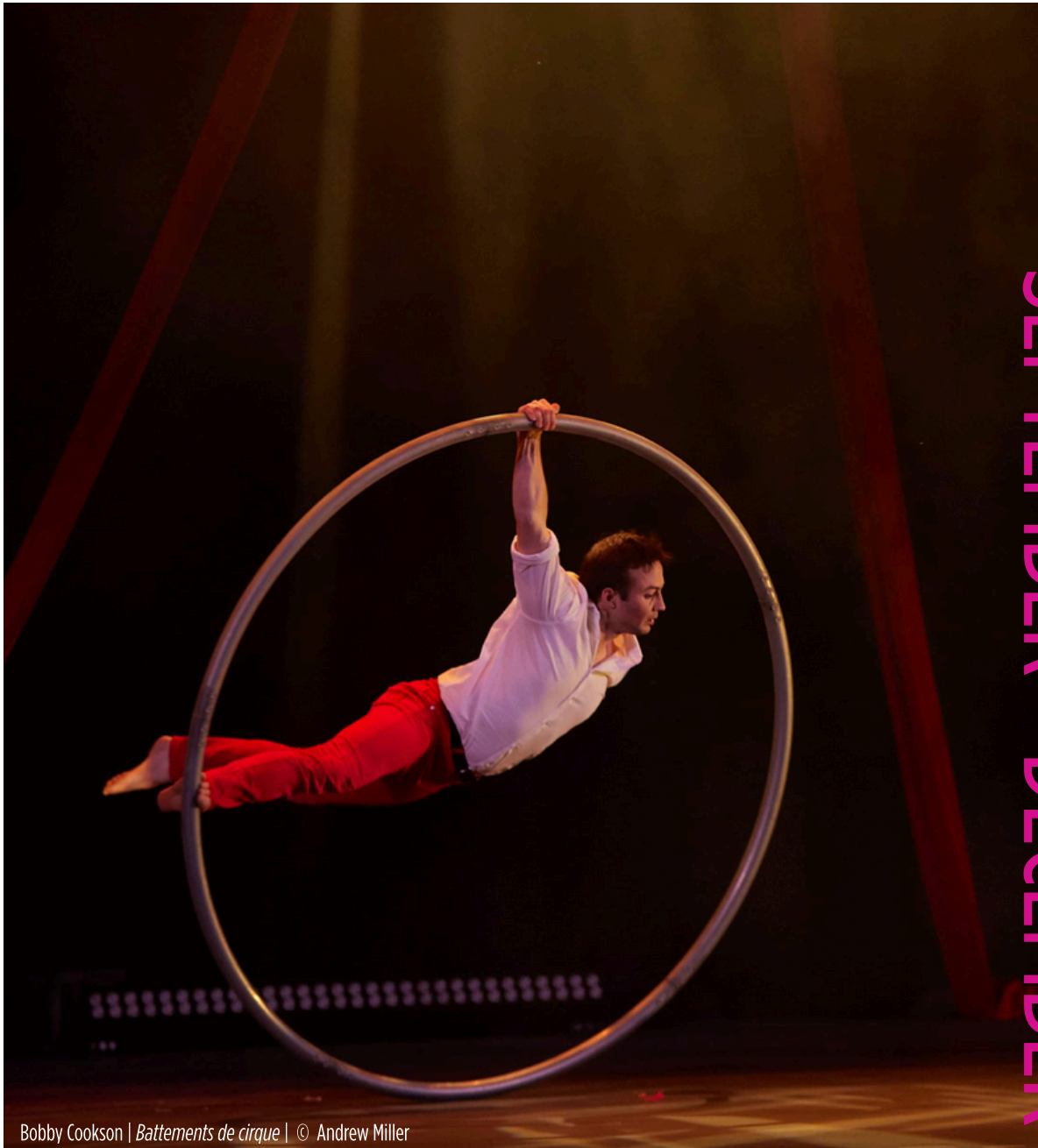


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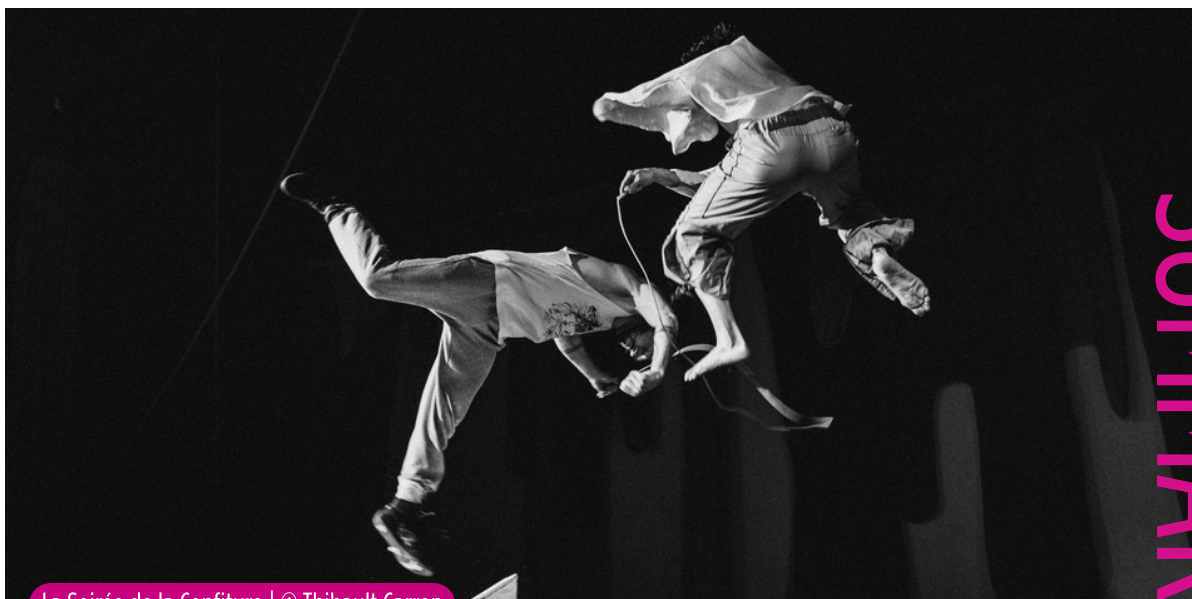
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A BOUNTIFUL CIRCUS SEASON FROM COAST TO COAST

With pride and enthusiasm, En Piste, National Circus Arts Alliance, is pleased to share its seasonal repertoire of circus arts presented across Canada from September to December 2025. This overview is designed to guide your choices so that circus can enrich your cultural fall, bringing you thrilling discoveries through a captivating art form.

It's back-to-school season, and the gyms of circus schools—whether recreational or professional training—are filled with the joyful shouts of budding artists inspired and energized by circus. The circus season looks promising in several Canadian provinces. In fact, more than 75 events, companies, and artists listed in this Agenda will be offering their creations indoors and outdoors in about sixty cities across the country. Between July and December 2025, 21 companies benefited from the Destination Circus program, managed by En Piste.

Many companies will also be performing in schools. In Québec, we highlight **L'Aubergine**, **Les Illusionnistes**, **Le Gros Orteil**, **La marche du crabe**, **Les Foutoukours**, **Compagnie in Toto**, and **Atchoum** the clown. The productions listed in this document showcase the many forms of today's circus. Whatever their format or style, they are sure to inspire your admiration, surprise you, and fill you with wonder.

CIRCUS ON THE ROAD AND UNDER THE BIG TOP

Several circus vehicles travelled the roads this summer to meet audiences across the country, and some will continue into early fall. While tented circuses, common throughout Canada in the summer, are rarer this season, **Cirque du Soleil** is presenting *ECHO* in Calgary until October 19.

The **Collectif 4237** van, and its astonishing circus squad will park in Montréal's Parc Leroux in LaSalle on September 6 with their ***Black and White Cabaret***, also presented on September 20 in Saint-Étienne-de-Beauharnois. With its truck combining food truck service, beer, and high-level acrobatics, **Kikasse** will perform ***Santé !*** on September 7 in Troy, Ontario, and in Saint-Bernard, Québec, on September 20. That same day, **Les Deux de pique**'s ***GoldenCrust Family*** wraps up its busy touring season at Beauport Bay as part of the Go Van festival.

The **Camion d'intervention artistique**, with its towering 30-metre ladder and lively circus artists, will entertain Montréal audiences on September 13 at Parc Père-Marquette. This unusual fire truck will head to Québec City for the **Réverbère** festival from October 10 to 12.

SPOTLIGHT ON COMPANIES AND ARTISTS TO DISCOVER

After her success at the Montréal Complètement Cirque festival last summer, **Alyssa Bunce** presents her brilliant solo creation ***Our Lady of the Home*** on September 12 at the Yukon Arts Center in Whitehorse, before heading to Spain.

On stage with its show ***LABO, Collectif 4237*** will perform in Montréal on September 19 at Maison de la culture Maisonneuve and on September 25 at Centre SANAAQ. In Blainville on September 21, **Toxique Trottoir** will give the last seasonal performance of ***Arbracadabra*** at Parc des Semailles. Also in a green setting, **Compagnie du pigeon** presents its outstanding acrobatic duo ***En s'attendant*** on September 28 at Parc Aimé-Léonard in Montréal-Nord.

Le Monastère will stage its ***Fall Cabaret*** from September 25 to October 4, promising original acts, unusual creations, and a festive evening with top-level circus. Two additional shows are scheduled for early December.

Les 7 Doigts will revive ***Urgence rurale 360*** in October, a project that plunges the audience into the heart of a fascinating medical study. Before nearly twenty dates in France through the end of 2025, the duo **Agathe et Adrien** will be in Terrebonne on October 12 with ***N.Ormes***, a show acclaimed in Canada and Europe since its creation.



Our Lady of the home | Alyssa Bunce | © Brin Schoellkopf



Briell | Myriam Sutton | © Stephane Bourgeois

SPOTLIGHT ON COMPANIES AND ARTISTS TO DISCOVER

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From Australia, the remarkable company **CIRCA** will cross the Pacific to bring its recent creation **Wolf** to Vancouver from October 1 to 18. In the same city, from November 6 to 15, The Cultch will host the **Transform Festival**, whose **Opening Bash and Closing Bash** will include circus performances. In Ontario, **Femmes du feu** will present **Air Heart** on October 30 in **Welland**, followed by their aquatic creation **Circus on the Canal** on November 20. In Ottawa, **Les sœurs kif-kif** will present their **Return's Department** at the CAPACOA conference from December 1 to 5.

In Québec, November begins in Granby on the 4th with **Briell** by **Myriam Sutton**. The fascinating new magic show **Les Illusionnistes** will be in **Gatineau** on November 8. A flagship Belgian company, **Circus Ronaldo** will perform at **Le Diamant** in Québec City from November 13 to 15. Featuring a father-and-son duo, **Solo Io** will then be staged at **TOHU** in Montréal from November 19 to 23. Back from Europe, where they were acclaimed by critics and audiences, the young collective **People Watching** will perform their remarkable **Play Dead** in Québec City at **Le Diamant** from November 27 to 29. In Montréal, **Les 7 Doigts'** circus musical **Pub Royal** will light up the **Place des Arts** from December 3 to 21.

During the holiday season, **Théâtre À Tempo** will present its latest creation **Action!** from December 11 to 30 at **TOHU** in Montréal, while in Québec City, from December 18 to 30, **Le Diamant** will host **La Noce d'Alfonse** for memorable evenings with **Cirque Alfonse**.

ON TOUR ACROSS THE COUNTRY

The oldest circus company in Québec, **L'Aubergine** will tour the province with three shows mixing clowning and acrobatics. On September 6, **Familia** will be in Montréal's Outremont borough. The company's recent creation **Là-Bas** will play in Terrebonne on October 26 and then tour Montréal, Chambly, Victoriaville, and Longueuil, while **Circus Opus** will be performed in Victoriaville and Laval between November 18 and December 16.

Blending circus, music, and dance, **Girovago** begins its tour of **Barka** on September 7 in Montréal's Saint-Léonard borough, continuing November 2 in Saint-Hyacinthe, November 9 in Gatineau, November 15 in Saint-Jérôme, November 16 in Drummondville, November 29 in Toronto, and December 6 in Sainte-Geneviève.

Productions Cirkaz will present its luminous outdoor show **CosmosE** on September 13 in Granby as part of Estriade la Nuit, while **Cirk O'Pommes** will take place on September 21 at Maison des patriotes in Sainte-Agathe and on September 28 at Maison de la culture in Waterloo. On October 25 in Vaudreuil-Dorion, audiences can see the Halloween version of **L'Arbre à Touski**, reprised on November 23 in Waterloo.

Atchoum the clown will perform her solo show on September 13 in Québec City and her **Hiver Rock** on November 15 at Maison de la culture Côte-des-Neiges, as well as on December 4 in Gatineau.



CosmosE | Nathalie Nicolas, Lise-Andrée Champagne, Guillaume Roberts Cambron | © Cirkaz



Familia | Miryam Amrouche, Guillaume Berger-Sidwell, Flavia Nascimento, Raphaëlle Pépin, Véronique Provencher | © Mario Villeneuve

ON TOUR ACROSS THE COUNTRY

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Battements de cirque will be in Baie-Comeau on September 17 with a quartet format and in Gaspé on September 20 with **Alizé**, a solo by Anouk Vallée-Charest. On September 29, the company will present the duo **Annetta and Gustave** at Musée de Lachine, followed by **Duo Loco-Motion** with Ryunosuke Yamazumi on September 27 in Montréal's Outremont borough.

After a summer of touring several cities, **Le Gros Orteil** presents its show **Plouf!** on September 12 in Saint-Calixte and September 28 in Lavaltrie. The company will perform its shows in Québec, Ontario, and New Brunswick until the end of December and will also participate in showcases in Whitehorse, Yukon (**Les voisines**) and Moncton, New Brunswick (**Maringouin**).

Hilarious and mind-blowing, **Le Grand Alexandre** will present **Magi** on September 28 in Montréal's Outremont borough. Equally funny and awkward, **Jerry Tremblay** will end his Québec tour on October 3 in Saint-Jérôme before heading to Switzerland.

From October 5 to December 14, **Cirque Collini** will give about fifteen performances of **Équipage recherché** across Québec, stopping in Rivière-du-Loup, Salaberry-de-Valleyfield, Repentigny, Sainte-Geneviève, and Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

ON TOUR ACROSS THE COUNTRY

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Energetic and highly acrobatic, **Afrique en Cirque** by **Kalabanté** will tour between October 3 and 28 in more than a dozen British Columbia cities—Nanaimo, Vernon, Revelstoke, Cranbrook, Trail, Oliver, Chilliwack, and Courtenay—as well as in Alberta (Calgary, Camrose, St. Albert, Sherwood Park) and Saskatchewan (North Battleford), before continuing their artistic journey in the United States.

Back from Korea and before touring France through the end of the season, **Les Foutoukours** will perform **Oppidum** in Longueuil on October 26, and **Glob** in Montréal's Maisons de la culture: Ahuntsic (November 1), Saint-Laurent (November 8), and Montréal-Nord (November 21).

On November 7, Trois-Rivières will welcome **DynamO Théâtre** with **Batailles** at Salle Anaïs-Allard-Rousseau, followed by performances at Maison des arts de Laval on November 23 and at Maison de la culture Janine-Sutto in Montréal on December 13.

Returning from Saskatchewan, **Cirque in Toto** will tour its show **Cirk'Alors!** from November 9 to 21 in about ten Québec towns including Paspébiac, Petite-Vallée, and Havre-Saint-Pierre. The company will end the season with a series of performances in Québec City from November 25 to December 10.

FESTIVE EVENTS

From late August to September 7, Montréal's **Festival des arts de ruelle** (FAR) showcased over 300 artists from all disciplines across several neighbourhoods. Circus had a strong presence at FAR with artists and companies such as **Hyppolite**, **Marguerite à bicyclette**, **Acting for Climate Montréal**, **Mario Superstar**, **Bekka Rose & Vincent Luengo**, and **The Gorgeous Giorgos Show**, among others, who lit up Montréal's alleyways.

Dedicated to creation and community sharing, ***DIY ton Carmagnole*** will take place in Lanaudière. After a week-long artistic residency, **Productions Carmagnole** will host a weekend of festive activities for Carmagnole's 25th anniversary, including circus presentations across all disciplines on September 5, 6, and 7. In the same region, in Rawdon, the circus duo **Nacho con Salsa** will spice up the **Feria Latina** at **Forêt Ô Cascades** from September 12 to 14. On September 12, **Le Patin Libre** invites everyone to its **Grande Roller-disco** at the Esplanade Tranquille in Montréal's Quartier des spectacles.

On September 20 at Bain Mathieu in Montréal, **Collectif 4237** will present ***Cabaret du Grand Amour*** and return to L'Éphémère in Hochelaga on October 23 and December 4 with ***Cabaret du Chat Bleu***. In collaboration with **Collectif 4237**, **Acting for Climate Montréal** is planning its next ***20,20,20*** in November, with the date to be confirmed.

Check out the
online
directory of
circus festivals!



FESTIVE EVENTS

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A must-see event in Canadian contemporary circus, the **St. John's International Circus Festival** will take place from September 18 to 21. This Newfoundland festival will open with the French company **Zalataï** alongside **École de cirque de Québec**, celebrating its 30th anniversary. The program also includes **Jamie Adkins** with his famous ***Circus Incognitus*** and Ontario-based **Vertical Air**, presenting ***A Series of Miraculous Things: A Late-Night Burlesque Circus***. The festival will close in style with the ever-anticipated ***Edge of the World Cabaret***, bringing together a lineup of top-level acrobats led by MC **Kai Bryan**, staged by **Patrick Léonard**.



The poster for 'Camp Fire Tales' features a light yellow background. At the top, it has logos for 'ST. JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL CIRCUS FEST' and 'WONDERBOLT PRODUCTIONS'. The title 'CAMP FIRE TALES' is in large, bold, black letters. Below it, '5@CIRQUE' is written in bold black, followed by 'PRESENTED BY en piste' in a mix of bold black and lowercase letters. Underneath 'en piste' is the text 'REGROUPEMENT NATIONAL DES ARTS DU CIRQUE' and 'NATIONAL CIRCUS ARTS ALLIANCE' in smaller letters. The date 'SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH' and time '4:30PM @ THE S.P.A.C.E.' are listed, along with the address '72 HARBOUR DRIVE, ST. JOHN'S, NL'. An illustration of a hand holding a purple cocktail glass with a lime wedge is on the right side of the poster.

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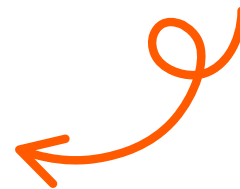
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Covering a wide territory, **Mauricie Arts Vivants** will present an eclectic program from September 18 to 21 in towns across the region. On September 18, Trois-Rivières' Fabrique de théâtre Insolite by **Les Sages Fous** will host ***Fondre dans le fond*** by **Basement Collective**. This contemporary juggling trio will perform two days later at the Cabane à sucre in Saint-Mathieu-du-Parc and on September 21 in Saint-Élie-de-Caxton with Crawl Space. That same town will also welcome ***La Chose en soi*** by the virtuoso **Chita Project** and the exceptional ***Ghost Light*** by **Machine de Cirque** on September 19.

Discover the town of Mascouche through the **Festival Chapô** from September 19 to 21. Dedicated to street arts, the event features outstanding circus artists including **Troupe Cirkana**, Toulouse's **Surprise Effect** quartet, Québec's **Yaya** la cowgirl, **Guillo** (Guillaume Fontaine) with slackline, **Le Patin Libre** on roller skates, **Monsieur Poï & James Gouveia**, and **Marie Mikea**.

The **Réverbère** festival in Québec City will showcase its expanded vision of street arts from October 10 to 13, featuring, among others, the acrobatic firefighters of the **Camion d'intervention artistique** with their ***Show Devant***.

In a festive and playful spirit, **La Croustade** will cook up ***La Soirée de la Confiture – Suc'à Crème Deluxe Edition*** on October 11 in Pointe-aux-Trembles. Hosted by the Centre de création de La compagnie des autres, this evening promises electrifying circus energy and unique moments.

A LOOK AHEAD TO 2026

In addition to homegrown companies performing across the country, major international visitors are expected in Canada. **Paradisum** by Hungary's **Recirquel** will be staged in Vancouver from January 21 to 24, at Le Diamant in Québec City from January 29 to 31, and at TOHU in Montréal from February 5 to 8. Also at TOHU, **Machine de Cirque** will present **Kintsugi** from February 19 to 22. From Australia, **Gravity & Other Myths** will bring **Ten Thousand Hours** to Le Diamant and TOHU in April. At Ottawa's National Arts Centre (NAC), Los Angeles' **Troupe Vertigo** will perform **Cirque Magique** with the NAC Orchestra from February 19 to 21. And in June, the show **Te Tangi a Te Tūi**, a collaboration between New Zealand's **Te Rēhia Theatre** and **The Dust Palace**, will also be presented.

Two new creations will be in residence at Les 7 Doigts' Centre de création, preparing for release in 2026 or 2027: **HOME** by **Ricard Soler Mallol** (with an end-of-residency presentation at La compagnie des autres in September 2025), and **À quoi tu penses?** by **David Ayotte**. Two excellent clowns will perform theatrically from January 12 to 31 at Montréal's La Licorne in **Fils Manqués?** by **Compagnie La Tourbière**. **SCUSE** by **Frédérique Cournoyer Lessard**, winner of the CALQ Best Circus Work Award in 2025, is scheduled for April at Montréal's La Chapelle Scènes Contemporaines. Young audiences (and their parents!) will be delighted to see **Le Mobile** by **La marche du crabe** return to the stage and the air in 2026.

A LOOK AHEAD TO 2026

Let's conclude by noting that many companies—including **Les 7 Doigts**, **Cirque Alfonse**, **Éloïze**, **Cirque du Soleil**, **Kalabanté**, **Machine de Cirque**, **Les Foutoukours**, **People Watching**, **FLIP Fabrique**, and **Kikasse**—will be performing or touring abroad in the coming months.

SCUSE | Frédérique Cournoyer-Lessard | © Yoann Garel



AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

All year long, you can find circus programming online from Montréal's Maisons de la culture, where shows are usually free. To discover numerous circus shows in Québec, you can also visit La Vitrine, supported by the governments of Québec and Canada as well as the City of Montréal. Another useful resource: En Piste offers you a directory of festivals presenting circus and street arts.

Be sure to check out the websites of your favourite companies and their social media for upcoming circus shows this season. Many Canadian circus companies and events will be finalizing their fall programming soon.

To see shows ready to tour throughout the year, consult En Piste's online repertoire.

Interested in circus news? In addition to an international database and occasional articles, www.cliquezcirque.com provides you with a daily eclectic press review of circus in Québec and across Canada.

Send us details of your creations, productions, or touring activities for the first half of 2026 by filling out this form. Deadline: December 5, 2025.

Dozens of circus artists are sharing their creations across our vast country this fall. Go see them in theatres, under the big top, in the street, or in uncommon venues—applaud them and experience unforgettable moments. Enjoy the circus!

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ENJOY THE SHOW!

About En Piste

En Piste, National Circus Arts Alliance, is Canada's only national association of circus arts professionals and organizations. It works to create conditions conducive to the development of the circus arts. The artists, artisans, cultural workers and organizations it represents work in all areas of the sector: training, creation, production, distribution and social circus.

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