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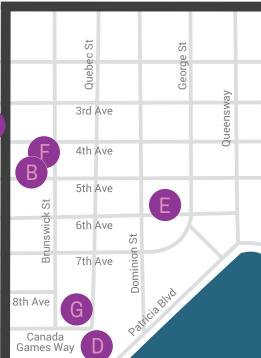
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Ts'uhoont'i whuzahdel, Bienvenue, Weleeme to eoleshep the prince george winter music festival!

Welcome to Coldsnap 2025, Northern BC's premier winter music festival!

The Prince George Folkfest Society board members, volunteers and staff would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of our sponsors, partners and especially to our audience members, whose support has enabled us to bring this festival to life every winter since 2008. We also acknowledge the warm welcome and support we receive from the Lheidli T'enneh who have cared for these lands and waterways for over 9,000 years. Our connection with the Lheidli T'enneh is vital to our success and we look forward to strengthening our partnership through shared goals of reconciliation, education and cultural expression.

As I'm sure you've noticed, we've made some changes this year. We've condensed the festival from nine to five days, allowing us to introduce festival passes while keeping a similar number of events and artists. This change aims to create a more concentrated and engaging experience for attendees. We value your feedback on this new format and any suggestions for further improvements. Let us know your thoughts!

As always, we will present several mainstage concerts as well as free-to-attend workshops and IceJams. In 2024, we presented two late shows at the legion. We received lots of positive feedback from those events so we've decided to add an extra late show for 2025. Also new in 2025 will be our free-to-attend concerts at Two Rivers Art Gallery. These will be intimate performances in a beautiful space with food available for purchase. Finally, we will have Coldsnap artists collaborate for informal acoustic performances for our In-The-Round series in the historic Knox Heritage Hall.

We look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new friends at Coldsnap 2025. As always, our mission is to present high-caliber, non-commercial artists from across Canada and beyond that embody the essence of folk music. To me folk music distills and codifies the human experience, but I think Louis said it best:

"Man, all music is folk music. You ain't never heard no horse sing a song, have you?" - Louis Armstrong

See you at the shows!

Fraser Hayes Artistic Director

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Coldsnap 2025 Visual Artist - Hailey Smith

Hailey is an artist located on the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh. Her brand and business is aptly named 'The Tamed Arsonist', as she specializes in pyrography (the art of burning designs on to a surface) using a wide range of canvases including locally sourced wood, wool and watercolour paper. Every artistic piece she creates is handcrafted, unique, and designed to highlight the spirit of Canada's flora and fauna with all their beauty and intricacies.





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Hadih/Hello and Welcome to the 2025 Coldsnap Music Festival!

As Chief of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, and on behalf of our councillors, community members and administration, I am so pleased to welcome you to our unceded ancestral territory.

The Coldsnap Music Festival is an annual tradition that we all look forward to. Not only does it introduce us to new music it fosters new friendships and helps build community. Music is medicine and we all need a boost in our spirits to help get us through the long winter months and wintertime is also a time to gather and share stories and songs.

Mussi cho! Big thanks to the Prince George Folkfest Society and the Coldsnap Music Festival team of staff and volunteers for continuing to produce this wonderful event in our territory.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to our territory and our city. Please be safe and enjoy your time with us. I hope you have time to visit the businesses or to go for a walk along the river to experience some of our beautiful territory. We appreciate you visiting and contributing to this wonderful event.

If you are a resident of the city, thank you for supporting the Coldsnap Music Festival and I hope you get a chance to attend some of the shows so you can kick up your heels and enjoy the music!

Ts'uhoont'i whusahya/we are happy that you have come. Stay safe and warm and have fun! Snachailya/thank you,



Chief Dolleen Logan Lheidli T'enneh First Nation

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Welcome to the 2025 Coldsnap Music Festival

On behalf of Prince George City Council, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 Coldsnap Music Festival, and to respectfully acknowledge our gathering on the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh on whose land we live, work, and play.

Coldsnap is one of the great cultural events of winter in Prince George. This festival brings light and music to the short days and long evenings of February as it showcases local musicians and artists from around the country and the world. It is truly an event which offers something for everyone over eight days of concerts, workshops, and ice jam sessions.

Coldsnap would not be happening this week without the tremendous work of the Prince George Folkfest Society and their many dedicated volunteers. No matter which concerts or events you choose to attend, I am certain that you will have a fantastic time.

Thanks to everyone who has worked on the festival, and to all of you who are supporting and attending the event this year.

Wishing you a wonderful Coldsnap 2025!

Mayor Simon Yu City of Prince George

July in



Message from the Honourable Spencer Chandra Herbert

Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport



On behalf of Premier David Eby and the Government of British Columbia, it is my pleasure to welcome musicians and fans to Coldsnap 2025.

Since 2007, Coldsnap has been the coolest thing happening in Prince George, bringing together an impressive lineup of musicians from B.C., Canada, and across the globe. Despite the cold, this festival never fails to set hearts aflame with electrifying live performances that will have you dancing, clapping, or just snapping along.

The festival's lineup is diverse, delivering an incredible array of musical styles and cultures with standout performances by the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, honoring the heritage of the territory where the festival is held. These performances are sure to give you goosebumps—and not just because it's winter in Prince George.

Arts and culture are the instruments that make B.C.'s communities vibrant, and Coldsnap is an example of the perfect arrangement. The international attention this event brings for up-and-coming artists is invaluable and so is the financial boost to local businesses—hotels, restaurants, and shops. The Province is thrilled to support Coldsnap 2025 with grants through the BC Arts Council, Community Gaming Grants, and the BC Fairs, Festival, and Events Fund.

My applause to the Prince George Folkfest Society, the performers, the tireless volunteers, and the generous sponsors. Your dedication sets ablaze this winter festival, showcasing B.C. talent, creativity, and community spirit. We can't thank you enough!

So here's to many more years of Coldsnap melting hearts in the chill – a festival that doesn't just entertain but inspires the next generation of musical maestros. Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Hon. Spencer Chandra Herbert,

Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport







BC Arts Council Chair Welcome Letter: Coldsnap Festival 2025

In the midst of winter, it's nourishing to connect with our communities and take in art that warms our souls and hearts. That's why BC Arts Council is proud to support Coldsnap – the Prince George winter festival. This festival presents a diverse group of live events, bringing artists from near and far to the city to showcase their talent.

Thanks to the team at the Prince George Folkfest Society for their dedication who have offered this annual event since 2007 - demonstrating the importance of arts and culture in all regions of the province.

Enjoy Coldsnap!

Sincerely,

Dr. Sae-Hoon Stan Chung, Chair

BC Arts Council

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Welcome to Coldsnap 2025!

The magic of winter always brings communities together to celebrate. Festivals like Coldsnap are no exception—connecting us through the universal language of music. For our government, supporting this tradition means celebrating what makes Canada such a special place.

Once again, Coldsnap, the Prince George Winter Music Festival, will lift spirits with great performances by artists from the region and beyond. What better way to kick off a new year and enjoy the season!

As Minister of Canadian Heritage, I would like to acknowledge all the organizers, performers and volunteers who brought this year's Coldsnap to life. Thank you for giving Prince George's residents and visitors the chance to greet winter with a smile. Bundle up and come join the festivities! **B**ienvenue au Coldsnap de 2025!

La magie de l'hiver réunit les communautés dans un esprit de fête. Les festivals comme Coldsnap ne font pas exception : ils nous rassemblent grâce au langage universel de la musique. Pour notre gouvernement, appuyer cette tradition, c'est célébrer tout ce qui fait du Canada un endroit si spécial.

Coldsnap, le festival de musique d'hiver de Prince George, mettra de l'ambiance grâce aux prestations d'artistes d'ici et d'ailleurs. Quelle belle façon d'entamer l'année et de profiter de l'hiver!

À titre de ministre du Patrimoine canadien, je salue les organisateurs et organisatrices, les artistes et les bénévoles qui donnent vie au Coldsnap de 2025. Merci de permettre aux gens de Prince George et aux visiteurs de goûter aux joies de l'hiver. Emmitouflez-vous et venez faire la fête!

The Honourable / L'honorable Pascale St-Onge

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Wednesday, February 5 | 7:30PM

Breaking the Ice

Knox Performance Centre



Mama's Broke

Halifax, NS | Ancestral lands of the Mi'kmag peoples

Mama's Broke is a powerful duo that deliver a compelling performance with heart and raw energy. Their original compositions push the boundaries of tradition and the constraints of genre. Drawing from old-time, Quebecois, blues, punk, celtic, balkan and doom metal, they create a soundscape that is both familiar and new.



John Wort Hannam

Calgary, AB | Ancestral lands of the Sisika, Piikani, Kainai, Tsuut'ina, Îethka Nakoda Wîcastabi, and Métis peoples

John Wort Hannam has been on his folk and roots-fueled troubadour journey for two decades, spinning song writing gold from the chaff of the lives he has encountered and those within his fertile imagination. Effortlessly mixing rich and clear timbered vocals with lyrics that tug at the heart, his sound is both unique and familiar.



Reckless Burning

Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli Tenneh

Reckless Burning is a band rooted in a rare alchemy: five distinct and celebrated musicians and songwriters joining forces and drawing inspiration from the stolen, unceded territory of the Lheidli T'enneh in Northern British Columbia. Driven by an impassioned commitment to social justice, this group uses music as both an outlet and an antidote to the wild horrors plaguing the world.

Thursday, February 6 | 7:30PM

Gutbank Ceilidh

Knox Performance Centre





Beòlach

Cape Breton Island, NS | *Ancestral lands of the Mi'kmaq peoples*

The energy they present on stage demonstrates their knowledge of and passion for the traditional music of Ireland, Scotland and Cape Breton. The natural, easy wit and banter they exchange on stage reflects lifelong friendships, a shared sense of fun and years of experience as professional musicians. The band has delighted audiences throughout the world with their original compositions and unique arrangements of traditional tunes and their ability to light the stage on fire with their energy and witty stories.

Jocelyn Pettit

Vancouver, BC | Ancestral lands of the x™məθk™əýəm, S<u>k</u>w<u>x</u>wú7mesh, and səlilwəta† peoples

From the West Coast of British Columbia, Jocelyn Pettit is a vibrant fiddle player, step dancer, singer, and composer. With uplifting energy and engaging stage presence, Jocelyn integrates the Celtic and folk traditions of her roots into her music.



Thursday, February 6 | 10:00PM

Piekin' & Grinnin'

Prince George Royal Canadian Legion

THIS SHOW IS 19+





The Slocan Ramblers

Toronto, ON | Ancestral lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabed, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples

The Slocan Ramblers are Canada's bluegrass band to watch. Rooted in tradition, fearlessly creative and possessing a bold, dynamic sound, The Slocans have become a leading light of today's acoustic music scene. With a reputation for energetic live shows, impeccable musicianship and an uncanny ability to convert anyone within earshot into a lifelong fan.

Under the Rocks

Kelowna, BC | Ancestral lands of the syilx/ Okanagan peoples

Under the Rocks has emerged from a city with no other bluegrass acts to become one of Canada's premier bluegrass bands. Their shows commonly feature dancing, laughter, joyful hoots and hollers and serene moments accompanied by tears and tranquil sighs of release or appreciation. They are a heartfelt, talented string quartet that blends uplifting energy with a reflective reverence for the difficulties of reality that marries joy and sorrow and declares "YES". Yes to all that it means to be alive on this planet, here and now.

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Friday, February 7 | 7:30PM

Hermonie Fourneys

Knox Performance Centre

Cat Clyde

Stratford, ON | Ancestral lands of the Attawandaron, Anishinaabe, and Haudenosaunee peoples

A combination of driven, soulful blues and sweet, folk-tinged, dulcet tones that carry a particular sense of familiarity provide the structure on which she creates her unique sound. With influences ranging from Patsy Cline and Lead Belly to Karen Dalton and Bobbie Gentry, this patchwork of musical significance, when stitched to her modern approach, fits like a well-tailored, corduroy-road cloth.



The Hearts

Edmonton, AB | Ancestral lands of the Nêhiyaw, Dené, Anishinaabe, Nakota Isga and Niitsitapi, and Métis peoples

The Hearts deliver unforgettable melodies and moody harmonies that resonate at dive bars, soft seat theatres, and music festivals alike. Their heartfelt Indie-folk/Americana songs are beautifully backlit by dreamy textures and earthy grooves. They're revered for delivering an exciting live show where they trade, layer, and cohere splendidly — mixing equal parts glitter and grit.



Checkdown Charlie

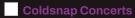
Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh

Checkdown Charlie pulls heartstrings, not punches. Their melodies make for a good time, while their lyrics paint a picture of community, society, nature, and connection. It's not all roses. Gritty and cooperative, uncompromising and open-hearted, Checkdown Charlie invites you to get curious and come along.



coldsnap 2025 at a glance

date	title	featuring	location / time
wednesday february	Breaking the Ice	Mama's Broke John Wort Hannam Reckless Burning	Knox Performance Centre 7:30PM - 10:30PM
THURSDAY february	Songcraft by the Tracks	John Wort Hannam	Central BC Railway and Forestry Museum 12:00PM
	Mama's Broke at the Gallery	Mama's Broke	Two Rivers Gallery 5:00PM
	Cutbank Ceilidh	Beòlach Jocelyn Pettit	Knox Performance Centre 7:30PM - 10:00PM
	Pickin' & Grinnin'	The Slocan Ramblers Under the Rocks	Prince George Royal Canadian Legion 10:00PM - 12:00AM
FRIDAY february	Stories & Songs	Jeff Stuart Lindsay Pratt	Prince George Seniors Centre 12:00PM
	Celtic Jam with Beòlach, Jocelyn Pettit, Under the Rocks	Beòlach Jocelyn Pettit Under the Rocks	Knox Heritage Hall 3:00PM
	St.Arnaud at the Gallery	St.Arnaud	Two Rivers Gallery 5:00PM
	Harmonic Journeys	Cat Clyde The Hearts Checkdown Charlie	Knox Performance Centre 7:30PM - 10:30PM
	Sonic- Subterranean	Miesha & The Spanks Wax Mannequin Joe Daniels	Prince George Royal Canadian Legion 10:30PM - 1:00AM







Visit coldsnapfestivel.com for tickets and workshop info!

date	title	featuring	location / time
SATURDAY february	Bookworm Boogie	Ginalina	Prince George Public Library 10:15AM
	Cabane à Sucre Sugar Shack	Brunch, Music, Cultural Activities	Salle St. Mary's Hall Service 1: 10:30AM Service 2: 12:00PM
	The Art of Breaking Through	Cat Clyde	Omineca Arts Centre 12:00PM
	Coldsnap for Kids Part 1!	Robin Layne & The Rhythm Makers	Knox Performance Centre 1:30PM - 2:30PM
	In-The-Round with members from St.Arnaud and The Hearts	St.Arnaud The Hearts	Knox Heritage Hall 3:00PM
	Wax Mannequin at the Gallery	Wax Mannequin	Two Rivers Gallery 5:00PM
	Global Grooves	Kobo Town Robin Layne & The Rhythm Makers Aquiles Tarumba	Knox Performance Centre 7:30PM - 10:30PM
	Dream Waves	St.Arnaud The Garrys Kate Pike & the Loose Boots	Prince George Royal Canadian Legion 10:30PM - 1:00AM
SUNDAY february	Arts & Crafts with The Garrys	The Garrys	Omineca Arts Centre 12:00PM
	In-The-Round with Kobo Town and Special Guests	Kobo Town and special guests	Knox Heritage Hall 3:00PM
	Coldsnap for Kids Part 2!	Ginalina	Knox Performance Centre 1:30PM - 2:30PM
	Roots & Reverie	Kaia Kater Sechile Sedare Amanda Wood	Knox Performance Centre 7:30PM - 10:30PM

Friday, February 7 | 10:30PM

Sonie-Subterranean

Prince George Royal Canadian Legion

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Miesha & The Spanks

Calgary, AB | Ancestral lands of the Sisika, Piikani, Kainai, Tsuut'ina, Îethka Nakoda Wîcastabi, and Métis peoples

Miesha and The Spanks are a garage-rock band who turn it all the way up. High-energy performances paired with catchy power-pop sing-a-long choruses make them at home on big festival stages as well as sweaty dive bars. This band commands attention, appealing to their inner angst or nostalgia for a time when their hearts were on fire.



Wax Mannequin

Hamilton, ON | Ancestral lands of the Erie, Attawandaron, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississauga peoples

Wax Mannequin (Christopher Adeney) writes music that veers from scrappy prog oddness to arena rock to modern folk-inflected indie, all with a dark humour that embraces the ridiculous and borders on outright Dadaism. However, beneath the unsettling imagery and musical left turns there is a steady current of inquisition — a constant questioning of life's inherent strangeness.



Joe Daniels

Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli Tenneh

Singer songwriter from Gitwangak BC from the Gitxsan nation playing a mix of blues, country and soul music with his own twist on it in a blend of covers and originals.

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Saturday, February 8 | 1:30PM

Coldsnap for Kids Part 11

Knox Performance Centre



Robin Layne & The Rhythm Makers

Vancouver, BC | Ancestral lands of the x™məθk™əýəm, Skwxwú7mesh, and səlilwəta‡ peoples

With roots in rhythmic traditions around the globe this groove heavy ensemble delivers music that transcends the bounds of tradition, blurring the lines between jazz and folk as they carve out new territory for the marimba at the forefront of the sonic landscape.





Feat. Shoshanna Godber (Youth), Sharlene Wallace (Advanced), Rosanna Chiu (Novice) and Ailie Robertson (Intermediate)

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ISLAND MOUNTAIN ARTS | 2025

Saturday, February 8 | 7:30PM

Globel Grooves

Knox Performance Centre

Kobo Town

Toronto, ON | Ancestral lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabed, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples

Accompanied by an everything-soup of infectious Caribbean sounds, where calypso melodies and skadriven horn hooks collide over heavy reggae and soca bass grooves, their music is an interplay of dirty electric guitars with hints of zouk and son montuno.



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Aquiles Tarumba

Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh

Aquiles Tarumba is the solo project of Aquiles Pérez Merlos. This project was born in 2019, in the city of Morelia, Michoacán, Mexico. His music is characterized by having a sound with warm and embracing melodies and harmonies, fearlessly going from folk to jazz; from alternative rock to pop.



Saturday, February 8 | 10:30PM

Pream Weves

Prince George Royal Canadian Legion

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St.Arnaud

Edmonton, AB | Ancestral lands of the Nêhiyaw, Dené, Anishinaabe, Nakota Isga and Niitsitapi, and Métis peoples

St.Arnaud crafts music that mixes upbeat melodies with reflective themes like death, loss, and self-growth. Gaining a loyal following online, he has toured extensively, captivating audiences with his clever lyrics and unique blend of sardonic humor and raw honesty.



The Garrys

Saskatoon, SK | Ancestral Lands of Treaty Six First Nations and the homeland of the Métis

The Garrys are a trio of sisters from the coldest part of the landlocked Canadian prairies, and they make surf music. Their music is likely to leave you with an urge to do the Watusi, bittersweet thoughts about slow-dancing with your middle school crush, or a nagging feeling that it's not quite safe to go back into the water.



Kate Pike & the Loose Boots

Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli Tenneh

Kate Pike and the Loose Boots are happy humans. Happiest with sweat on their faces and voices tangled in chorus. A little bit folk, a lotta bit punk rock and/or roll, these humans play what they call the Grease Folk.

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(avec Coldsnap) **Knox Performance Center** 07:30PM

avec Jocelyn Pettit et Beolach

Sam/Sat **FEV**

SOIRÉE FILM EN FRANÇAIS FRENCH MOVIE NIGHT

(+English subtitles)



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Dim/Sun **FEV**

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05:00PM

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11:00AM

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Sunday, February 9 | 1:30PM

Coldsnap for Kids Part 21

Knox Performance Centre



Ginalina

Vancouver, BC | Ancestral lands of the x^wməθk^wəýəm, S<u>k</u>w<u>x</u>wú7mesh, and səlilwəta‡ peoples

Ginalina pioneers unique family folk music, eclectic fusion folk music, and beautiful children's books that celebrate family, nature, community, culture, and the connections we share between them. Her songs and stories are respectful and real, warm and winsome, emotive and energizing. Together, and in English, Mandarin, and French, with loved ones, strangers, and friends, we can sing, dance, and experience a creative sort of kindness that this world needs more than ever.



Sunday, February 9 | 7:30PM

Roots & Reverie

Knox Performance Centre

Kaia Kater

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Montreal, QC | Ancestral lands of the Kanien'kehá:ka peoples

Grenadian-Canadian Kaia Kater's jazz-fueled voice and deft songcraft have garnered acclaim from NPR's Tiny Desk, Rolling Stone and The Guardian. Her new album, Strange Medicine (May 2024), celebrates the power of women and oppressed people, while also sharing meditations on her own life. Kaia has also won a Canadian Screen Award for 'The Porter' and contributed to the new film, My Dead Friend Zoe (March 2024).



Sechile Sedare

Yellowknife, NWT | Ancestral lands of the Yellowknives Dene and the North Slave Metis peoples

Sechile Sedare (pronounced seh-chee-le seh-dahr-eh) is a contemporary roots duo featuring sibling songwriters Leela and Jay Gilday. Sechile Sedare means 'my younger brother, my older sister' in the Dene language. This musical collaboration sees Jay and Leela co-write and co-create new repertoire together, harnessing their talents as deeply insightful and genuine storytellers.



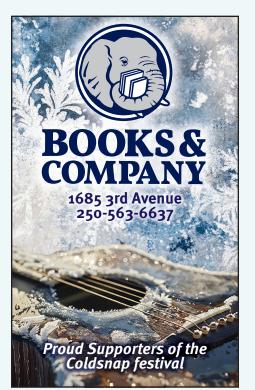
Amanda Wood

Prince George, BC | Ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh

Amanda Wood is an Anishinaabe & Nlaka'pamux artist, singer-songwriter and performer currently living on Lheidli T'enneh territory. Joined by her lead guitarist and new music co-songwriter Joel Fowler, their complimentary styles, presence and harmony carry notes of jazzy blues, alternative folk and rhythmic roots.







With generous support from Integris Credit Union, Omineca Arts Centre, Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, The Prince George Public Library, Island Mountain Arts and CFUR Radio Society, Coldsnap's free-to-attend daytime series of workshops and IceJams are back for Coldsnap 2025. For those unfamiliar, 'IceJams' are free-toattend afternoon mini-concerts featuring Coldsnap artists. and workshops are more hands-on, education-based sessions led by musicians talking about the art of making music. A full schedule of events is available on our website www.coldsnapfestival.com.

IceJam

Songcraft by the Tracks

Thursday, February 6th | 12PM | Central BC Railway and Forestry Museum

Join John Wort Hannam at the Central BC Railway and Forestry Museum for an intimate workshop and performance. Against the backdrop of a museum that is historically charming, one is presented with an afternoon of storytelling, fond insights into songwriting, and acoustic songs by one of Canada's leading folk artists. This informal session will promise inspiration, fun, and sharing.

IceJam

Mama's Broke at the Gallery

Thursday, February 6th | 5PM | Two Rivers Gallery

Come and enjoy a fantastic late afternoon performance at Prince George Two Rivers Art Gallery with Mama's Broke. This free-to-attend concert invites you to enjoy this captivating blend of folk, roots, and raw energy which fill the marvelous art-filled space. In addition to the music, there will be food for attendees to enjoy while soaking up the ambiance. A celebration of community, culture, and creativity not to be missed!

IceJam Stories & Songs

Friday, February 7th | 12PM | Prince George Seniors Centre

Join Jeff Stuart and Lindsay Pratt for soothing melodies and witty charm at the Brunswick Street Senior Activity Centre in Prince George. Sweet Americana-inspired folk songs combine with dreamy harmonies to take the listener's heart. Pratt, with a charming and mischievous stage presence, promises lots of laughs often at Stuart's expense. Together these two offer an experience that is as emotionally moving as it is entertaining. Don't pass up the chance for an afternoon of entertainment and intimate storytelling in a wonderful, cozy atmosphere provided by our hosts at the Prince George Seniors Centre.

IceJam

Celtic Jam with Beòlach, Jocelyn Pettit, Under the Rocks Friday, February 7th | 3PM | Knox Heritage Hall

Join us for an acoustic in-the-round session featuring a blend of captivating folk and roots music. This unique event invites local music lovers to experience a dynamic and intimate performance where artists share tunes, stories, and spontaneous collaborations. The interactive format celebrates the magic of live music in a welcoming, relaxed atmosphere. It's a perfect opportunity to connect with the music, the performers, and the community in an unforgettable evening of melodies and harmonies.

IceJam

St. Arnaud at the Gallery

Friday, February 7th | 5PM | Two Rivers Gallery

Our second early evening performance at the Prince George Two Rivers Art Gallery features the amazing St. Arnaud. This free-to-attend concert allows guests to step into the world of the band's unique indie-folk-and-storytelling concoction inside the truly inspiring environment of a gallery. Food items will be available during the performance, situated in a category of palate-pleasant and melodious combination to heighten the benefit of the evening. Don't miss your chance to be part of this merrymaking, community-building, art-imbued celebration of music!

IceJam Bookworm Boogie

Saturday, February 8th | 10:15AM | Prince George Public Library

Coldsnap and the Prince George Public Library invite you to join us for an 'lceJam' with Juno nominated singer-songwriter Ginalina! Ginalina is known for her cheerful and heartwarming folk songs that applaud nature, family, and community, inspiring children and parents alike with singing, dancing, and connecting. The event will start with a music-themed reading to welcome the children and make for a good transition to an interactively engaging performance. Have fun dancing, and parents can jig with kids!

Workshop The Art of Breaking Through

Saturday, February 8th | 12PM | Omineca Arts Centre

Join Cat Clyde in this friendly and relaxed workshop to discuss trials and tribulations of getting into the music scene, discussion about the inspirations behind their songs, and how they go from an idea to a finished creation. There will be time to invite the audience into a question-and-answer segment and allow the group to dive deeper into the process while providing valuable insight on how new bands make their ways into music businesses. Whether you want to jump on the stage or you are merely fascinated with how songwriting goes, this workshop will definitely bring forth an intimate gathering of this knowledge.

IceJam

In-The-Round with members from St.Arnaud and The Hearts Saturday, February 8th | 3PM | Knox Heritage Hall

Join us for an intimate, in-the-round performance with members of St.Arnaud and The Hearts. This is a distinctive kind of performance in which the artists gather and share their songs and stories with inspiration in a collaborative, up-close setting. Experience the raw magic of acoustic performances with varied musical styles in this cozy venue. This will be a rare opportunity to connect with these fine artists where music and stories pour directly from the heart.





IceJam

Wax Mannequin at the Gallery

Saturday, February 8th | 5PM | Two Rivers Gallery

Witness and appreciate the artist as Wax Mannequin commands the stage with raw energy, thought-provoking lyrics, and stirring melodies that you won't want to miss. In addition, food will be available for sale during the show, so you can munch down on a delicious treat while you take in such an animated musical performance. Join us for a serene early evening in the gallery that celebrates the colourful connection between art, music, and community!

Workshop Arts & Crafts with The Garrys

Sunday, February 9th | 12PM | Omineca Arts Centre

Join The Garrys for a relaxed and interactive workshop on making music and getting into the scene. With live performances of their dreamy, reverb-soaked songs, the session will explore the ideas that inspire their songs and go through a process of how those ideas reach the finished product. Attendees will learn songwriting basics and are welcome to ask questions about how to manage the transition from a new band to a popular performer. Whether you are just starting out or are simply curious about what goes into the craft, this workshop gives an up-close dive into the creation of music.

IceJam

In-The-Round with Kobo Town and Special Guests

Sunday, February 9th | 3PM | Knox Heritage Hall

This will be an intimate, informal in-the-round with Kobo Town and special guests. Hosted In a cozy and welcoming setting, this is a rare opportunity to hear the artists strip down their songs and weave in their stories and insights. Kobo Town are known for their vibrant blend of calypso, reggae, and world music, and will be bringing their signature charm and energy into this format joined by some talented special guests. Expect music, stories, and shared experience celebrating the artistry and spontaneity of live acoustic performance.





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Hadih/Hello and Welcome to the 2025 Coldsnap Music Festival!

As Chief of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, and on behalf of our councillors, community members and administration, I am so pleased to welcome you to our unceded ancestral territory.

The Coldsnap Music Festival is an annual tradition that we all look forward to. Not only does it introduce us to new music it fosters new friendships and helps build community. Music is medicine and we all need a boost in our spirits to help get us through the long winter months and wintertime is also a time to gather and share stories and songs.

Mussi cho! Big thanks to the Prince George Folkfest Society and the Coldsnap Music Festival team of staff and volunteers for continuing to produce this wonderful event in our territory.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to our territory and our city. Please be safe and enjoy your time with us. I hope you have time to visit the businesses or to go for a walk along the river to experience some of our beautiful territory. We appreciate you visiting and contributing to this wonderful event.

If you are a resident of the city, thank you for supporting the Coldsnap Music Festival and I hope you get a chance to attend some of the shows so you can kick up your heels and enjoy the music!

Ts'uhoont'i whusahya/we are happy that you have come. Stay safe and warm and have fun! Snachailya/thank you,



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