

BOZEMAN'S ICONIC RIALTO THEATER REOPENS JANUARY 16 WITH SOLD-OUT PERFORMANCE BY HIPPO CAMPUS

Historic theater features state-of-the-art acoustics, a beer and wine bar, and private meeting and event spaces

BOZEMAN, **Mont**. (**January 11**, **2018**) – Bozeman's Rialto theater will reopen on Tuesday, January 16, with a sold-out concert by indie rock band Hippo Campus. This will be the first of an eclectic lineup of live performance and arts events coming to the Rialto in 2018 as it returns as a cultural hub and creative outlet for locals and guests to Southwest Montana.

The Rialto includes a ground-floor theater called the Black Box that accommodates up to 400 guests. The second floor is home to the Burn Box, a stylish space overlooking Main Street that will serve wine, beer and a small, ever-changing menu from local culinary talents. Additionally, the Burn Box will be home to a series of pop-up events through the year, including chef-driven dinners and collaborations, tapas and wine pairings, and other food-focused programming. The Burn Box is reserved for ticketed guests during all concerts.

"We are excited to welcome local supporters and guests to the Rialto for the first performance of the season as we unveil the incredible transformation of this celebrated Bozeman arts and entertainment venue," said Production and Operations Manager Drew Fleming. "The Rialto will remain committed to bringing the best talent for locals and visitors to enjoy, while working in tandem with our local community, regional talent and artists."

The winter 2018 lineup features a robust schedule of entertainment, with new performances being announced frequently. Upcoming events include:

- January 17: The Victor Wooten Trio (jazz)
- January 18: DOLORES (film premiere in partnership with the Bozeman Doc Series)

• January 20: The Upside Down: A Stranger Things Dance Party

• January 21: The 2nd Annual Brett Dennen Lift Series (folk/pop)

January 25: Bozeman Swing: Intro to Vintage Swing Dancing

January 26: Car Seat Headrest (rock)

January 27: Reggie Watts (comedy/vocal artist/beatboxing)

Adjacent to the Burn Box will be the Light Box, a gallery that will showcase work from local artists, host special events for the community and serve as an additional space for private events for 15 to 150 people. For those looking to meet and stay in Bozeman, Rialto has partnered with The LARK hotel, also located on Main Street, to offer groups special rates when hosting an event or meeting. From February 1 through May 31, groups that book five or more guestrooms at The LARK will receive a complimentary welcome reception or post-meeting happy hour as part of their event at Rialto.

Originally built in 1908 as a two-story storefront and converted into a theater in 1924, the Rialto has a long history of serving Main Street in Bozeman's central commercial district, although it has been vacant for more than a decade. Bozeman's ThinkTank Design Group, along with general contractor North Fork Builders, refashioned the theater to set the stage as an artistic and cultural hub.

For more information and a complete list of upcoming programming, visit www.rialtobozeman.com.

About the Rialto

Situated in the heart of downtown Bozeman, the iconic Rialto is an artistic, cultural and inspirational venue that will feature live concerts, performing arts, and private meeting and event spaces, as well as a beer and wine bar overlooking Main Street. Originally built in 1908 as a storefront and converted into a theater in 1924, the Rialto is reopening in 2018 after sitting vacant for over a decade. The reimagined venue will integrate historical elements and modern design to serve as a creative outlet for artists, audiences and guests alike. The Rialto is owned by a group of local partners and managed by Columbia Hospitality. For more information, visit www.rialtobozeman.com.

About Columbia Hospitality

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