

MEDIA RELEASE
ANNOUNCING A CHANGE TO THE CITADEL LEADERSHIP TEAM:
CHANTELL GHOSH PREPARES TO COMPLETE HER
EXTENDED TERM AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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It is with mixed emotions that The Citadel Theatre prepares for the departure of our Executive Director, Chantell Ghosh. Chantell's contract term with the Citadel came to an end last year in June. Due to Covid, the challenges faced by the team and the theatre at that time, Chantell agreed to extend until this year. As we are reaching a point with the rollout of Covid-19 vaccines and are optimistic of our return, Chantell will be leaving her role as Executive Director effective June 30th.

We would like to thank Chantell for her truly transformative leadership over the last three years. Together with Artistic Director, Daryl Cloran and the entire Citadel team, the Citadel has accomplished a great deal in a short time, and has grown as an organization in both necessary and joyful ways that have put us on the path for future success. Although we are sad to see Chantell go, we are also very grateful for all the tremendous work she has put in for our theatre and community.

Chantell prioritized the patron experience at the Citadel, from the introduction of "Citadel Sippy Cups" so that audience members could enjoy drinks during performances, to changes in our latecomer policies, lobby experience, theatre seating, and the addition of our new Hearing Loop.

She believes fully in the Citadel's place as the artistic Heart and Hub of Edmonton, and has worked to animate every inch of the Citadel with community events such as Dickensfest and our Gospel Brunch. Chantell also led the rebranding of the Citadel with a whole new look, and building renovations to increase accessibility and to repair our very leaky roof.

The Board of Directors will begin conducting a search for a new Executive Director in the coming weeks. In the meantime, Kimberlee Stadelmann will step into the role of Interim Executive Director. Kimberlee has been with the theatre for 13 years and currently is the Associate Executive Director. We know Kimberlee will have the support of the entire team and community as she leads the relaunch efforts for our theatre coming out of Covid.

Details on the search for the Citadel Theatre's new Executive Director will be posted to citadeltheatre.com in the coming weeks. We also look forward to sharing our plans for exciting programming (both live and online) and our hopes and dreams for our 21-22 Season.

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