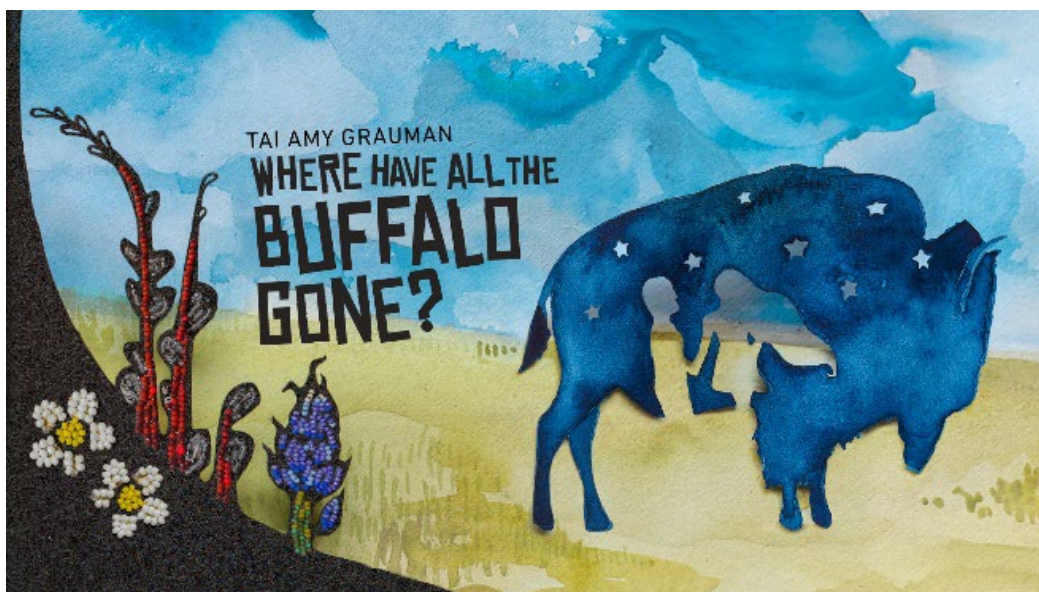


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Axis Theatre Company Touring “Where Have All The Buffalo Gone?” to 18 Saskatchewan Schools October 15-November 3



The **Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils** (OSAC) is pleased to present **Axis Theatre: Where Have All The Buffalo Gone?**, touring to 18 Saskatchewan schools for students in Grades 4–12 from October 15 to November 3, 2026.

Axis Theatre Company exists to create physical theatre for the young and young-at-heart - exploring aspects of clown, commedia dell'arte, music, movement, and puppetry to produce original plays. In the age of “looking down” at electronics, Axis Theatre draws young eyes up to engage them in interactive experiences that educate, inspire, and transform. Telling stories in unique ways, Axis Theatre is guided by these words: inventive, youthful, kinetic, multicultural, smart, and engaging. Axis Theatre’s rich 50-year history has inspired 60+ new creations. Our productions tour all over BC across Canada, into the United States and sometimes, overseas. We have been recognized with many Jessie Richardson Theatre Awards and as Touring Company of the Year by the BC Live Performance Network, twice!

A Métis love-story that transcends time to safeguard history

Where Have All the Buffalo Gone? is a love story through the ages. Two star people and a Buffalo, fall to earth and continue to reconnect throughout history. Our play covers seven different periods of Métis history. We bear witness to the emergence of the Métis nations across the plains, the robust colonization that arises from the fur trade, the disappearance of the buffalo and the political uprising of the Métis Association of Alberta. The story begins during creation amongst the stars and ends in the present day.

Where Have All the Buffalo Gone? specifically shares scenarios from the Callihoo family's stories, incorporating fiddle music, jigging and a life-like buffalo puppet. Inspired by historical events of the Métis people of Canada, this original play for young audiences explores the loves, the losses and the fight of Treaty 6's Métis people – and their love and kinship to the buffalo.

About OSAC

The **Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils (OSAC)** acts as an umbrella for community arts councils and schools across the province, bringing people and the arts together. In more than 80 communities, local arts councils and schools enrich community life by presenting live music, theatre, visual arts, workshops, and special events, ensuring that residents of all ages can experience the arts close to home.

Through the **Performing Arts in Schools touring program**, students from urban, rural, and reserve schools experience live music, theatre, dance, storytelling, and a variety of artistic performances and workshops. Professional performing artists from Saskatchewan, Canada, and beyond bring artistic excellence, study guides with curriculum connections, and a special ability to engage students.

In **2025/2026**, the Performing Arts in Schools program offered in-person performances in the following disciplines: Circus Arts, Issue-Based Theatre for Middle Years and High School audiences, Magic, Ventriloquism, and Theatre for Elementary audiences. There were **five tours** and **88 presentations**, involving over **70 schools** across **52 communities** throughout the province. These performances reached approximately **20,066 students and teachers**.

This is possible because of a dedicated network of volunteers committed to making culture an integral part of Saskatchewan community life, and vital funding from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust for Sport, Culture and Recreation and Canadian Heritage. For more than 50 years Sask Lotteries has been the main fundraiser for more than 12,000 sport, culture and recreation groups in communities across the province. Since 1974, through an agreement with the Government of Saskatchewan, lottery sales in Saskatchewan have been used to provide more than \$1.4 billion to support athletes from the grassroots level to the international stage, connect youth to artistic experiences, help residents experience the beauty of the parks that cover the province and so much more. Learn more about lottery beneficiaries, as well as games, jackpots, winning numbers and more at sasklotteries.ca.

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Please refer to the tour schedule on the following page. School shows are not open to the general public but if you wish to attend a school performance, please contact rosemary@osac.ca and the school contact listed below.

Axis Theatre: "Where Have All The Buffalo Gone?"
OSAC Tour Schedule - 18 Saskatchewan Schools
October 15 to November 3, 2026

Date	Community	School	School Contact	Phone	Email
Oct 15	Macklin	Macklin School	Lisa Hermiston	(306) 753-2375	lisa.hermiston@lskysd.ca
Oct 16	Biggar	Biggar Central School 2000	Sean Lockwood	(306) 948-2117	sean.lockwood@sunwestsd.ca
Oct 16	Perdue	Perdue School	Kristal Mason	(306) 237-4311	kristal.mason@spiritsd.ca
Oct 19	Viscount	Viscount Central School	Eddy Paslowski	(306) 944-2027	edward.paslowski@horizonsd.ca
Oct 20	Warman	Traditions Elementary	Greg Tebay	(306) 683-5200	greg.tebay@spiritsd.ca
Oct 21	Stanley Mission	Keethanow School	Jemima Charles	(306) 635-7686	jemimacharles@keethanowschool.ca
Oct 22	La Ronge	Pre-Cam Community School	Chris Jolly	(306) 425-2226	ChristopherJolly@nlsd113.ca
Oct 23	Prince Albert	Ecole Arthur Pechey Public School	Marie-Pier Bilodeau	(306) 314-1513	mbilodeau@srsd119.ca
Oct 26	Hudson Bay	Hudson Bay Community School	Louise Gel	(306) 865-2515	gel.louise@nesd.ca
Oct 27	Norquay	Norquay School	Patricia Ives	(306) 594-2286	patricia.ives@gssd.ca
Oct 27	Yorkton	Yorkdale Central School	Michael Chapman	(306) 783-5412	Michael.Chapman@gssd.ca
Oct 28	Fort Qu'Appelle	Bert Fox High School	Suzanna Pihrag	(306) 332-5566	suzanna.pihrag@pvscd.ca
Oct 28	Indian Head	Indian Head High School	Andrea Fafard	(306) 695-3929	andrea.fafard@pvscd.ca
Oct 29	Weyburn	Assiniboia Park Elementary	Carrie Hemphill	(306) 842-2414	carrie.hemphill@secpsd.ca
Oct 30	Arcola	Arcola School	Ron Wardrope	(306) 455-2340	ron.wardrope@secpsd.ca
Nov 2	Gladmar	Gladmar Regional School	Chris Abtosway	(306) 969-4832	chris.abtosway@secpsd.ca
Nov 2	Coronach	Coronach School	Ashley Gagne	(306) 267-2210	gagne.ashley@prairiesouth.ca
Nov 3	Swift Current	Ecole Centennial School	Amy Collins	(306) 778-9240	acollins@chinooksd.ca