



Carlin Hall
Community Association

COVID-19: Return to Programs Health and Safety Plan - 2021

The health, safety and well-being of our audience, musicians, and volunteers continues to be our top priority. Below are the regulations put in place by the Interior Health Region as they apply to the operation of our community hall:



GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

BEST PRACTICES

The actual wording of the Provincial Health Order calls for verifying every customer's proof of vaccination when they enter a business or event, and it applies to many categories, including indoor organized group recreational classes and activities with more than 50 people – for example, pottery studios, art classes or choir rehearsals.

It is known that singers emit more aerosols and droplets in the course of singing than others do in talking, and we will be following best practices in this matter, even where the provincial wording does not specifically require it

- double vaccination for all participants (check prior to entry)
- masking during attendance at events
- physical distancing (sitting arranged in cohort groups), (lining for food/washrooms) (entry/exit)
- singing permitted in a well-ventilated space, or singing for shorter periods at least until the COVID numbers decline significantly (length of evening set at two hours)
- Masks required while moving about (food/beverage counter, washrooms, performance breaks)
- Hall audience capacity set at 60 (less than 50% of 140 maximum capacity)

As of September 13, proof of vaccination (at least one dose) is required in order to access some events, services and businesses in the province; as of October 24 full vaccination is required. The requirement is in place until January 31, 2022 and could be extended.

The requirement applies to all people born in 2009 or earlier (12+) and covers the following events, services and businesses – including indoor concerts and music programs (Tuesday and Wednesday Jams)

- Indoor ticketed sporting events
- **Indoor concerts**, theatre, dance and symphony events
- Licensed restaurants and restaurants that offer table service (indoor and patio dining)
- Pubs, bars and lounges (indoor and patio dining)
- Nightclubs, casinos and movie theatres
- Gyms, exercise facilities/studios, pools and recreation facilities
- Businesses offering indoor group exercise
- Indoor adult group and team sports for people 22 years old or older
- **Indoor organized events with 50 or more people.** For example: Wedding receptions, organized parties, conferences and workshops
- Indoor organized group recreational classes and activities like pottery, art and choir
- Post-secondary on-campus student housing

The protocols in place at the Carlin Community Arts and Cultural Centre adhere strictly to the provincial guidelines. This position has been consistent throughout the pandemic, and as a Society of the Province of BC, we follow the provincial rules.