



Okanagan Symphony Orchestra
Rosemary Thomson – Music Director

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Organization Summary



- 1960 – Okanagan Symphony formed
- \$1.2 million operating budget in 17/18 & 18/19
- 3rd largest Symphony Orchestra in BC
- Ranks 22nd of 66 Symphonies nationally
- September to May monthly performances
- 20 professional members in the core orchestra augmented with 45 professional and community musicians from around BC as the repertoire requires

17/18 Programming Highlights



■ Guest Artists

Vancouver Symphony orchestra with Bramwell Tovey and Marion Newman, Christopher Gaze, Timothy Chooi, Okanagan Handbell Chorus, UBC opera ensemble, Jens Lindemann, Kevin Chen, Sarah Slean, Gryphon Trio.

■ Community Connections

OSYO, OSO Chorus, Okanagan Children's Choir, Kelowna Community Music School, Vernon Community Music School, Bumpershoot Theatre, Marjok Elementary, SD 23 Middle School Band program, Okanagan Regional Libraries, Chamber Music Kelowna, Cool Arts

■ Unique Programming

- Halloween *SPOOKtacular* & *Peter and the Wolf* Family special

17/18 Programming Highlights

SPOOKtacular



Education & Outreach



Education & Outreach Programs for Children & Families



■ **Symphony Storytime**

- Four interactive forty minute shows developed for 2 to 5 years old and families. Children sing, hear stories, dance and play percussion.
- Led by master educator Joe Berarducci
- Featuring OSO & OSYO players showcasing a family of instruments

■ **OSO School Performances (Magnificent Mozart)**

- 8 sold out daytime performances for Elementary schools: 3 in Vernon, 2 in Penticton and 3 in Kelowna, with approx. 4500 students in attendance
- Throughout the week approximately 150 students were engaged in the production as performers. The students experienced 12 year old prodigy, Kevin Chen.

■ **Your Symphony at the Library**

- Four free one hour shows featuring all of the instruments of the orchestra geared to families
- Audience participation in “Instrument discovery Zoo” after the concert

Education and Outreach Programs for Youth

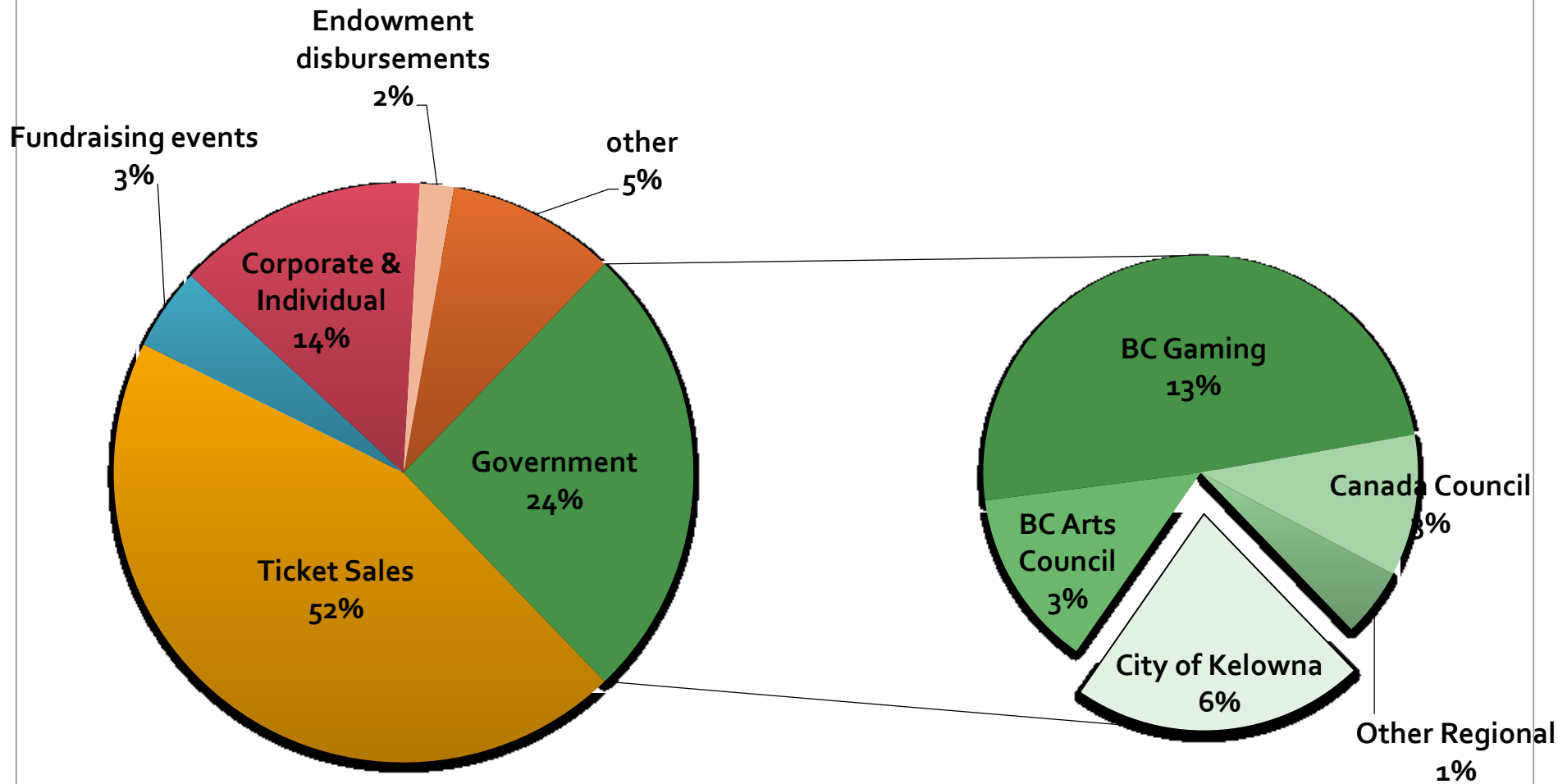
- **Middle School Band Clinic**
- Grade 7 students have OSO trios perform in their school and demonstrate instruments
- 250 middle school band students receive a clinic with OSO pros and members of the OSYO on their instrument
- Attend Side by Side Dress rehearsal
- **Okanagan Symphony Youth Orchestra (OSYO)**
- 80 participants between the ages of 10 and 20
- Weekly rehearsals from September to May – professional mentors
- 2 OSYO concerts (Spring & Autumn) plus one “Side-by-side” with the OSO Concerto solo opportunities and composition program
- **OSO Masterclasses**
- Masterclasses taught in 17/18 by OSO guest artists: Nicholas Wright, Timothy Chooi, Jens Lindemann, Jamie Parker, Roman Borys. Annalee Patipatanakoon.

Collaborating Partners



- Bumbershoot Theatre
- School District No.23 – 3 Middle Schools
- Okanagan Regional Libraries
- UBC Opera Ensemble Studio
- City Dance Studio
- Community Music Schools

Revenue Sources



Expense Summary - Personnel



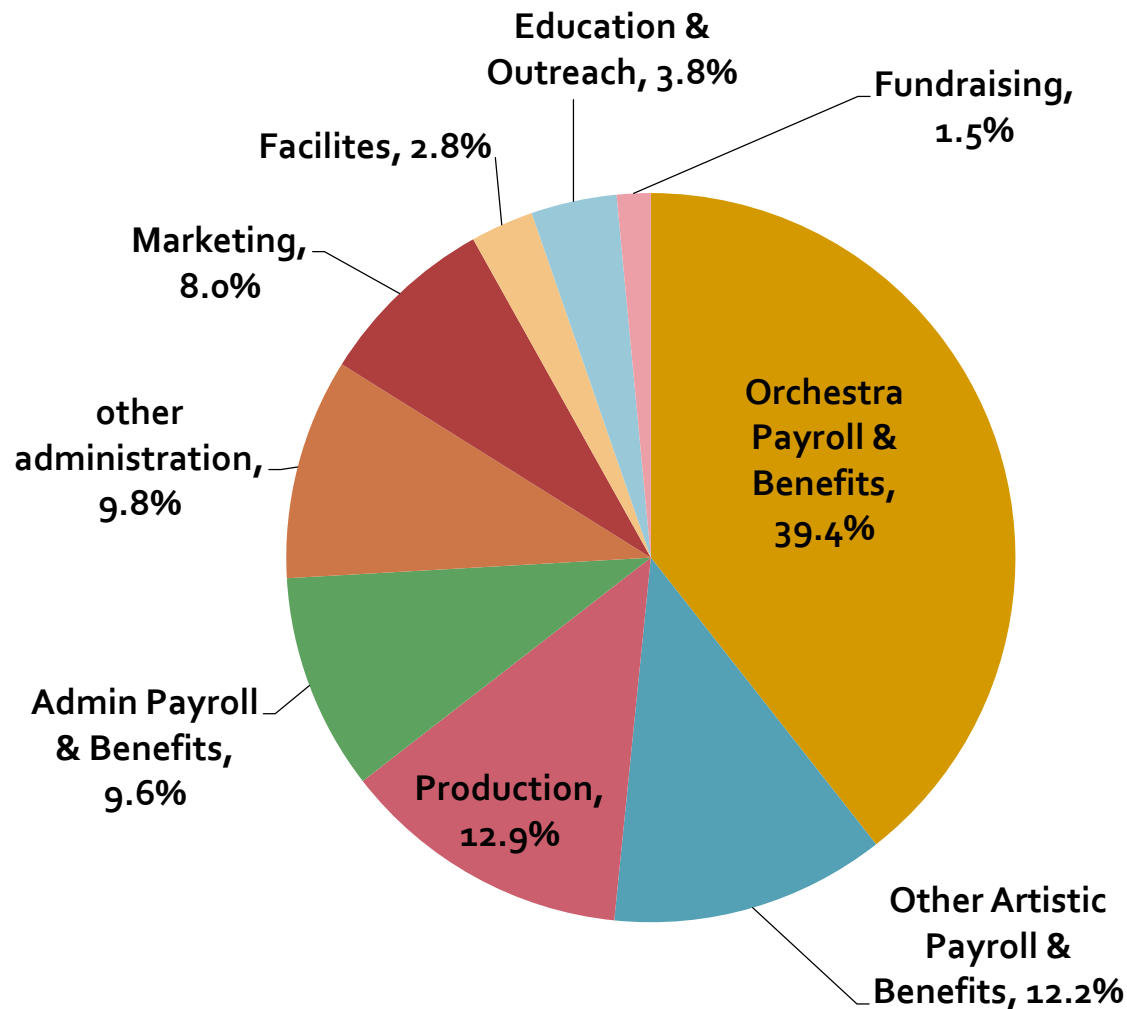
- 1 full-time, 2 part-time and 5 contract administrative staff
- 1 full-time contract and 1 part-time contract artistic personnel
- 20 core musicians working under a collective agreement – (ratified for 2016/17 through 18/19)
- professional musicians from across BC and community players from the Okanagan Valley

Expense Summary



- \$980,000 Approximate level of OSO expenses that remain in the Okanagan.
- \$790,000 Total payroll and benefits for musicians, artists, production and administrative personnel.
- \$90,000 Approximate average cost of mounting a single concert of 3 performances (musicians, guest artists, venues, marketing, transportation, accommodation, ticketing).
- \$58,725 Approximate amount City of Kelowna received from the OSO in office rent and venue fees and charges this year.
- 260 Approximate number of room nights booked in Kelowna each year to house our out-of-town musicians.

Expense Summary



- **Expand corporate and individual sponsorship**
 - Sponsors for 17/18: The Chase Wines, Telus Community Board, Driving Force, Royal Anne Hotel, Troika, Colin and Lois Prichard Foundation, Jaguar, Tantalus Vineyards, and individual concert and guest artist sponsors
 - New sponsors 18/19– The Vibrant Vine, Mission Law Group, Mark and Bernice Stober, Mission Group

- Strategically plan staff roles and responsibilities
- Improve individual donation appeals and stewardship
- Develop an organization wide volunteer strategy
- Explore potential programming possibilities
 - Discussions with Westbank First Nation

■ Guest Artists

- Jane Coop, Erin Fung, Jaeden Iziik-Dzurko, Tracy Cantin, Lara St. John, Tokara

■ Community Connections

- OSYO side-by-side; OSO Adult and Youth Chorus
- UBC Okanagan, Asian Heritage Committee, SD23
- En'owkin Centre

■ Unique Programming

- Tanya Tagaq, Taiko & Erhu , Korean Fan Dancers