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**Tacoma Arts Live and Partners Honored  
For Pantages Theater Renovations  
In Tacoma's Historic Theater District**

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**TACOMA, WASH.—** Tacoma Arts Live, BCRA, Korsmo Construction, EverGreene Architectural Arts, and partners have been recognized on six times this year by city, state, and community organizations for the accomplishment of Tacoma's historic Pantages Theater renovations.

The historic Pantages Theater, reopened in November 2018 after an extensive interior renovation. Building upgrades have included complete interior auditorium restoration to national historic standards, brand new theater seats, improved acoustics, new production equipment, seismic upgrades, and improved patron safety. This construction phase of the Centennial Campaign was a \$21M project that began in 2016 and is slated to complete in 2021.

Since the reopening of the remarkable theater, Tacoma Arts Live, individual leaders, and partnering organizations have received outstanding commendations:

- [2019 Alan Liddle Award](#) – Tacoma Arts Live Executive Director, David Fischer, Tacoma Historical Society
- [2019 Excellent 10 Award](#) – Pantages Theater, Tacoma, WA, Economic Board of Development in Pierce County
- [2019 Valerie Sivinski Award for Outstanding Rehabilitation](#) – Pantages Theater, Tacoma, WA, Washington State Historic Preservation Office,
- [2019 Historic Preservation Award for Commercial Renovation](#) – Tacoma Arts Live and Pantages Theater Design Team including BCRA Design, Korsmo Construction, and EverGreene Architectural Arts for the Pantages Theater, Tacoma Historic Preservation,
- [2019 Construction Excellence Award for Tenant-Improvement under \\$5M](#) – Korsmo Construction for Pantages Theater – The Associated General Contractors of Washington
- [2019 Best Live Theater](#) – Tacoma Arts Live, Pantages Theater, South Sound Magazine

The Washington State Department of Historic Preservation (SHPO) acclaims, "This commitment to a meticulous restoration of the building, inside and out, has brought the Pantages back to being the city's premiere arts and entertainment venue." By honoring the legacy inherited in this venue's rich history, Tacoma Arts Live has paved the way for the community to take pleasure in the arts in Tacoma's Historic Theater District, thus nurturing the future for many generations to come.

The preservation of the Pantages Theater could not have been possible without the efforts of Tacoma Arts Live Board of Trustees, staff, volunteers, BCRA Design, Korsmo Construction, EverGreene Architectural Arts, private and public funders, and with continued support and partnership from the City of Tacoma.

Tacoma Arts Live's mission is to energize the community through live performance. Founded in 1979, this non-profit organization is recognized for leadership in presenting world-class performing artists, providing one of the largest arts education programs in Washington State, and preserving Tacoma's historic theaters. To find out more information, go to [tacomaartslive.org](http://tacomaartslive.org).

**More Info:**

[Take the virtual tour of Pantages Theater, before and after renovations](#)

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