

Famous opera singer said to haunt Bozeman theater

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BOZEMAN, Mont. — One of Montana’s most haunted buildings, according to the Bozeman Paranormal Society, is the Rialto Theater.

Pablo Elvira, a well-known opera singer who performed on the Rialto Theater stage years ago, is said to be the theater’s most prominent ghost.

He died at his Bozeman area home in 2000, but some say he is still taking a bow at the Rialto, reportedly his favorite place to perform.

Elies Adams, with BPS, says she has been called to the Rialto more than once after patrons and employees sensed an eerie presence.

Dalton Brink, artistic director at the Rialto, says more than one employee has reported encounters of a strange kind. He remembers when a big, tough security guard was locking up one night and claims to have seen a misty form in front of him, felt an icy chill and went running from the building.

Dalton says he and his staff talk to the ghosts, “Because if they’re here, we want to be buddies with them.”

Elies Adams agrees that most spirits or ghosts she investigates are friendly. She feels that sometimes people just want to hang around their happiest place a little longer.