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## Mayor's Message

The excitement of the 10th anniversary of the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts continues into the 2019–2020 season!

As we look ahead to many more entertaining performances and filled seats in the future, I would like to thank you all for your continued support of our local theatre.

When I attended the sold-out 10th anniversary celebration in February 2019, I was struck by how much the theatre's programs have grown. In addition to many sold-out performances, we have also expanded to include features such as Jazz in the Plaza, ON!Stage and Suite Thursday Cabaret.

I am also very proud of the education series and how we are promoting theatre and the performing arts to the next generation through the ever-popular school break programs. This coming season is once again host to a variety of performances, including music, comedy, family and musical acts. There is something for everyone to enjoy, from rock to country music, speaker-series, musicals including Junie B. Jones and the smash-hit show Sing-a-Long Sound of Music and much more.

Tickets can be purchased online at rhcentre.ca or by calling the box office at 905-787-8811.

See you at the theatre! Mayor Dave Barrow



## Michael's Message

Has it really been ten years? Thinking back to opening night on Saturday February 28, 2009, it does not feel like a decade has passed since the curtain was raised for the first time in the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts. The past ten years have flown by as we welcomed over a million patrons and guests, presented hundreds of incredible artists from places from around the world, and have been privileged to host thousands of rental events.

Every day since opening night, has felt like a celebration of the arts and our community. It is this sense of celebration that guided our programing choices for your 2019/2020 season. You will recognize familiar faces who have graced our stage during the past ten years and you will meet artists whose performance will resonate with you well beyond the next ten years.

From all of us here at the RHCPA, to you, our most valued patron, we invite you to spend a few moments reviewing the pages in this spectacular publication. It is our wish that you will find an artist, a performance, which will entice you to join us for that morning, afternoon or evening of celebration and engagement. As we look back on the past years, we are humbled by your commitment to the RHCPA and your passion for the arts. We have learned much from you which continues to be top of mind as we begin to look at the next ten years. To make future seasons better, to make them stronger. To continue the celebration.

I look forward to seeing you at the theatre.

Michael Grit, Theatre Manager



# RHCPA SPEAKER SERIES

Presented in partnership with Connecting the Community





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Immerse yourself in knowledge during the Speaker Series in an intimate atmosphere.



Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. A Canadian Genocide: Canada's Historical Treatment of its Indigenous People



Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 11 a.m. Wrongful Convictions in Canada



Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 11 a.m. The Fruitful City



Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 11 a.m. The Ward



Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 11 a.m. Russia, the West, Iran and

Russia, the West, Iran and Israel: Assessing the New Middle East Chessboard



Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 11 a.m. Royal Parenting from

Medieval to Modern Times



Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 11 a.m. The Great Escape

All seven shows for \$120



# SUITE CABARGT

Our Suite Thursday Cabaret Series takes a more intimate approach to live theatre.

Found in our Plaza Suite, a variety of artists entertain a small audience of approximately 100 people. \$20



Canadian-born, Toronto-native Rob Tardik a multi-award winning guitarist and contemporary pop/ jazz/world/fusion instrumental music artist.



Vintage pop, swing, and jazz singer Steven Taetz focuses on the American Songbook and jazz standards, writing and recording traditional-pop, and swing originals.



Juno Award nominee Wendy Lands combines cool jazz, intimate theatre and freewheeling pop, to expertly craft original tunes that breathe smoky new air into the jazz genre.



This new, standalone story continues the saga of the "Redheaded Coffeeshop Girl", bringing yet more caffeinated fun – this time with chimps!

# **Best of Suite Thursday's**

Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Since 2012, the Suite Thursday Cabaret Series has welcomed extraordinary artists from across the performing arts genres. Join us as we welcome some of our greatest cabaret hits including, Marion Drexler, Luke McMaster,

Anne Marie Scheffler and a few surprises. \$20







ON! STAGE Series invites the audience to sit on our mainstage and be immersed in the world of live performance.

This seven-part series features an eclectic collection of performers from across the performing arts world designed to push the boundaries and stretch the imagination. **\$20** 



Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m.

A contemporary circus performance experience for our youngest audience, the piece follows two birds from sunrise to sunset in a world that is enchanting, serene and peaceful.



Monday, October 7, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

A singer and songwriter from
Toronto, Michael Walker spent the
early 2000's with Turn off the Stars,
an Indy band that toured Canada
extensively with artists including
Matthew Good, The Tea Party,
Colin James, and Switchfoot.



Monday, November 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Calum Graham is an extraordinarily talented Canadian fingerstyle guitarist and the first teenager to ever win the Canadian Fingerstyle Guitar Competition.



Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

A retrospective cabaret featuring songs by the multi-talented living legend of Canadian theatre and music Tomson Highway.



Monday, December 2, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Described as "a wizard of the accordion," Michael Bridge is internationally-renowned for his warm stage personality, stereotype-smashing versatility, and blazing virtuosity.



Monday, January 20, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Pianist Wayne Weng has performed internationally as a soloist as well as a collaborator, his playing has been described as "vibrant and immensely musical."



Monday, April 20, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Since its debut at Carnegie Hall in 2011, the Cheng<sup>2</sup> Duo (pronounced Cheng Squared Duo) is celebrated by the public and critics for its artistic excellence, generous spirit and haunting vitality.





## Get the Arts Advantage today, join Club RHCPA!

- Receive advanced access to the 2019-2020 10th Anniversary season
  - Save 15% on all RHCPA presented performances\*
  - Enjoy complimentary tickets to select performances\*\*
    - Bring a Friend for FREE
- 2 for 1 Tickets to The Reel Thing film series, Suite Thursday Cabaret performances and ON!STAGE performances
  - Seat endowment for the duration of your membership
    - Exclusive Club RHCPA Reception
    - Complimentary ticket exchanges\*\*
  - 2 complimentary non-alcoholic beverages and 2 coat checks per RHCPA presented performance\*



Member acknowledgment in the Theatre lobby



Opportunity for members to introduce select performances



Complimentary seminars and workshops exclusive to members



## **Cost of Membership:**

Early Bird bonus before May 31, 2019:

Regular price June 1 – Dec 31, 2019:

\$100 \$190

for 1 season for 2 seasons

for 1 season for 2 seasons

To become a Club RHCPA member, call the Box Office at 905-787-8811 or visit rhcentre.ca For information regarding membership, contact Connie Cuthbert at connie.cuthbert@richmondhill.ca or 905-787-8471 ext. 233

# **Glass Tiger**

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 8 p.m.

It all began in the summer of 1984 when a band from Newmarket set a record for the fastest selling debut recording in Canadian history, going gold within weeks of releasing The Thin Red Line. Thirty-one years later, Glass Tiger is still going strong, combining Alan Frew's distinct vocals with the dazzling pop styles that solidified the band's reputation for three decades. \$55

# GLASS TIGER









# **Hotel California**

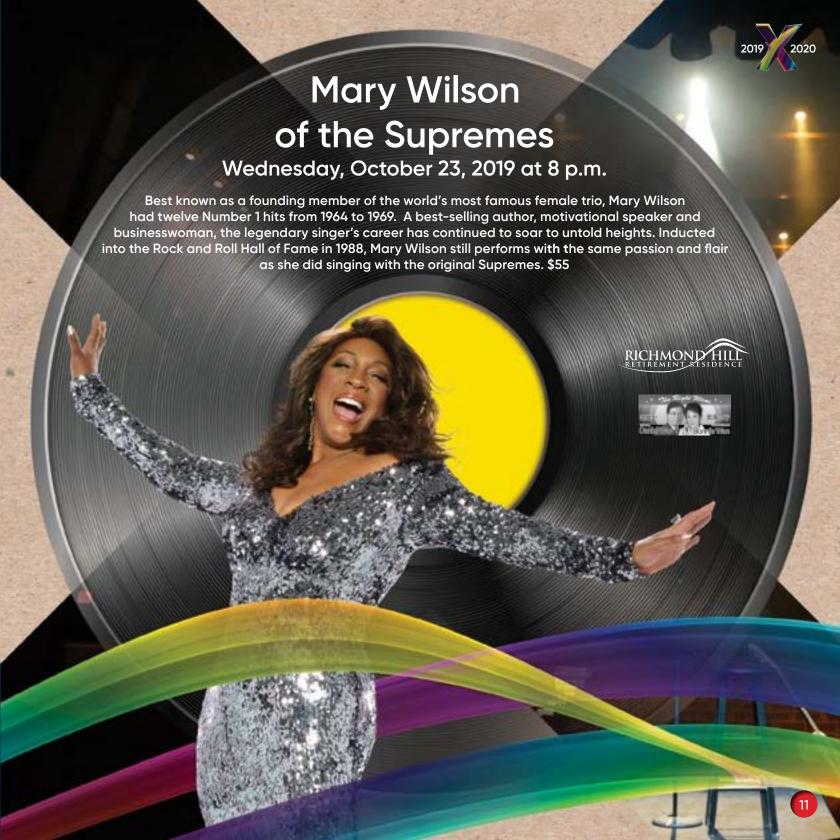
Friday, October 11, 2019 at 8 p.m.

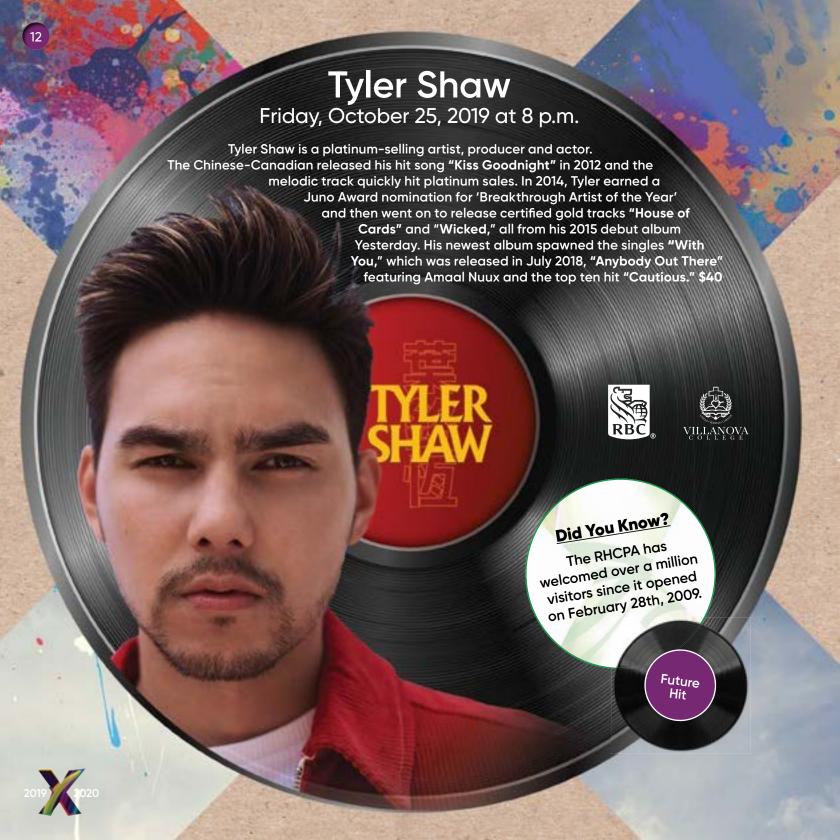
Note for Note. Cut for Cut. Classic Albums Live brings you one of music's most iconic albums, The Eagles' Hotel California. With 32 million albums sold worldwide and a list of hits including; "Hotel California", "Life in the Fast Lane" and "New Kid in Town," this is an show not to be missed. Complete the evening with a second act dedicated to the very best of The Eagles. \$50















# Junie B. Jones

Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.

It's Junie B.'s first day of first grade, and a lot of things have changed.

Her friend Lucille no longer wants to be her pal and Mr. Scary thinks Junie may need glasses! Throw in a new kid named Herb, a friendly cafeteria lady, a kickball tournament and a "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal," and first grade has never been more exciting. This action packed musical brings one of the most beloved characters in children's literature to the stage! \$20

Appropriate for ages 3-10







**Scotiabank** 



**Tiffany**Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 8 p.m.

A legendary pop star, Tiffany has earned two number one hit singles "I Think We're Alone Now" and "Could've Been", and set a record as the youngest female artist to top the Billboard charts with her debut album. With over 15 million albums to date and rave reviews for her new pop/rock sound, Tiffany is committed to worldwide touring and is so excited to take her music to her fans everywhere. \$55

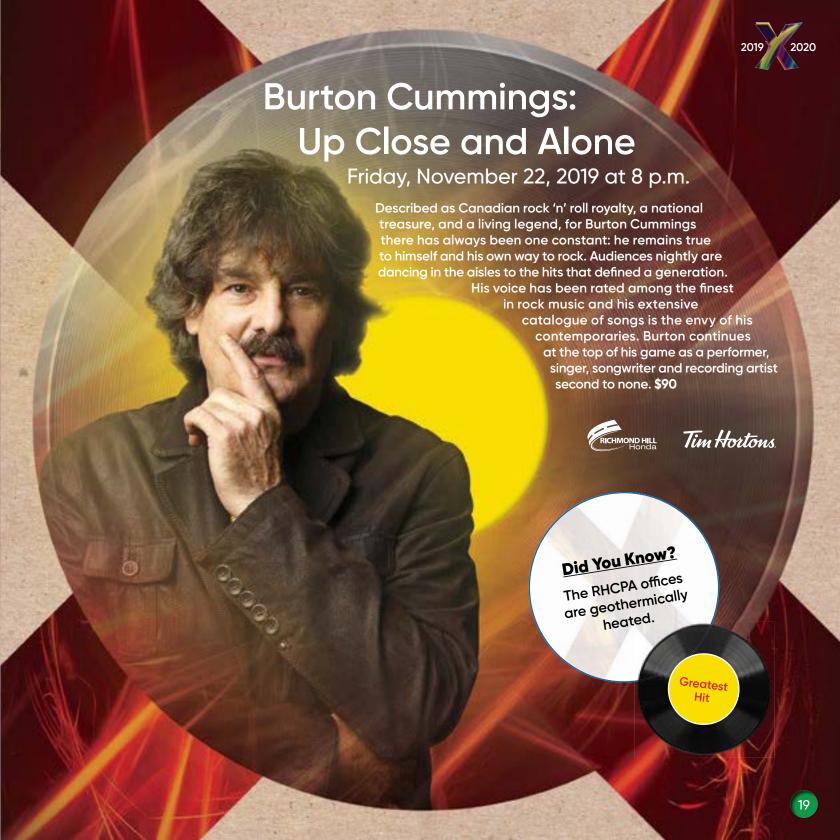
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# **Did You Know?**

The RHCPA offices once housed the Richmond Hill High School circa 1897.









# MONES ALL NEW SHOW!

# MY FATHER'S OJEWISH IN THERAPY!

the next session of laughs...

Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 8 p.m.

In this hysterical prequel to the original show, we go back with Steve from his baby years with his twin sister right up to the present. Just when you thought it was safe to go back home, Steve brings us the next hilarious installment in his quest to defend himself against those people whose sole purpose in life is to add chaos to his. So prepare to laugh, prepare to cry and prepare to be delighted by this masterpiece of family dysfunction with "My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish & I'm Still In Therapy." \$50







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# The Elmer Iseler Singers and The Elora Singers

Friday, November 29, 2019 at 8 p.m.

The Elmer Iseler Singers is a 20-voice fully-professional choral ensemble performing repertoire that spans 500 years, with a focus on Canadian composers. The Elora Singers, an all-professional Grammy and Juno-nominated chamber choir is renowned for its rich, warm sound, diverse styles and clarity of texture. Join us for this historic night as both celebrated ensembles take the stage together for the first time ever. \$40

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The Elora Singers

The Elmer Iseler Singers





Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at 8 p.m.

Hailing from Cape Breton Island, the Barra MacNeils have spent over 25 years as one of the greatest live concert acts in the Celtic world. With strong Celtic roots, this diverse and talented family continues to wow audiences around the world with their captivating vocals and extraordinary musicianship. Spend an evening as they celebrate the season with their distinctive brand of Celtic flavour. \$50





# **Crooners Christmas**

Thursday, December 19, 2019 at 2 p.m.

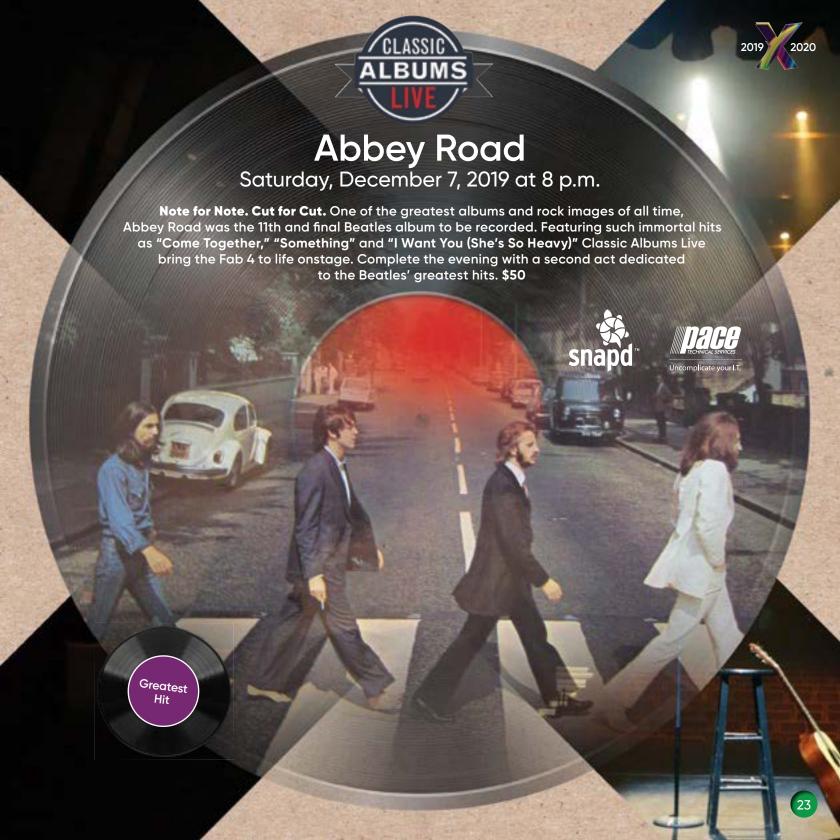
From the first time Andrew Martin stepped onto a stage, something special happened. This prodigy began to see the power of music and it started to shape his love of music and development as an artist.

Crooners Christmas brings you some of your favourite tunes, as well as maybe a few new ones.

Sit back – relax – and let Andrew transport you to that Christmas feeling we all love. \$30







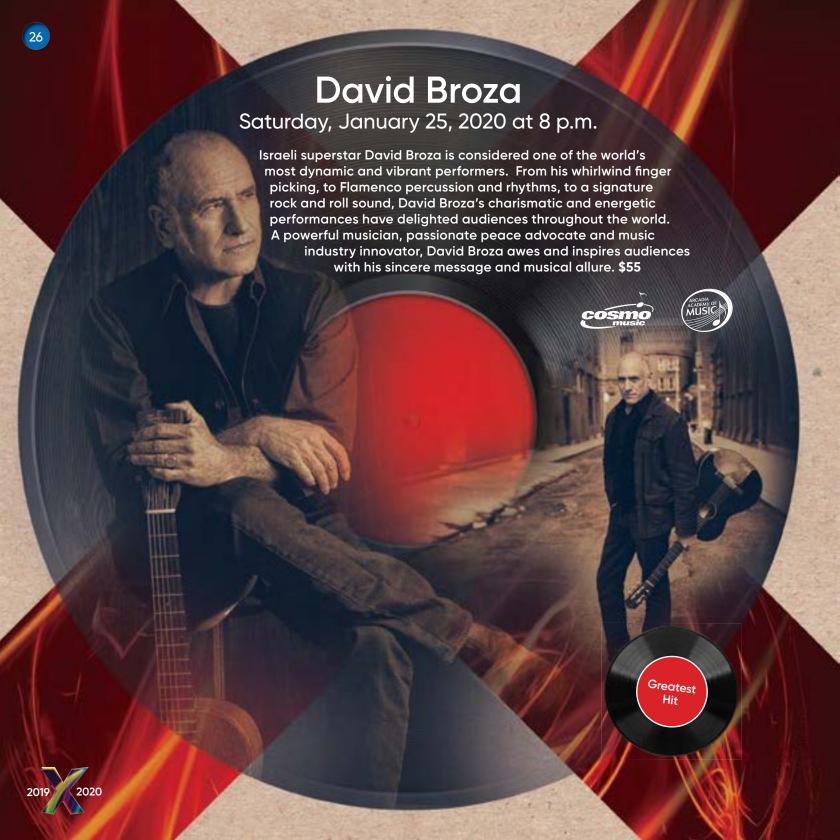
# Lighthouse

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 at 10 p.m.

Lighthouse, Canada's favourite classic rock band, is turning 50 and inviting Canadians across the country to join the celebration. The band burst on the scene in 1969, with an explosive sound that defied all conventions. Between 1970 and 1973, they were awarded four Junos, four gold albums and Canada's first platinum album for Lighthouse Live! while hits such as "One Fine Morning," "Sunny Days," "Hats Off to the Stranger," "1849" and "Pretty Lady" raced to the top of Canadian and International charts. Rock in the new year with one of the best performing acts of all time. \$55









# **Crash Test Dummies**

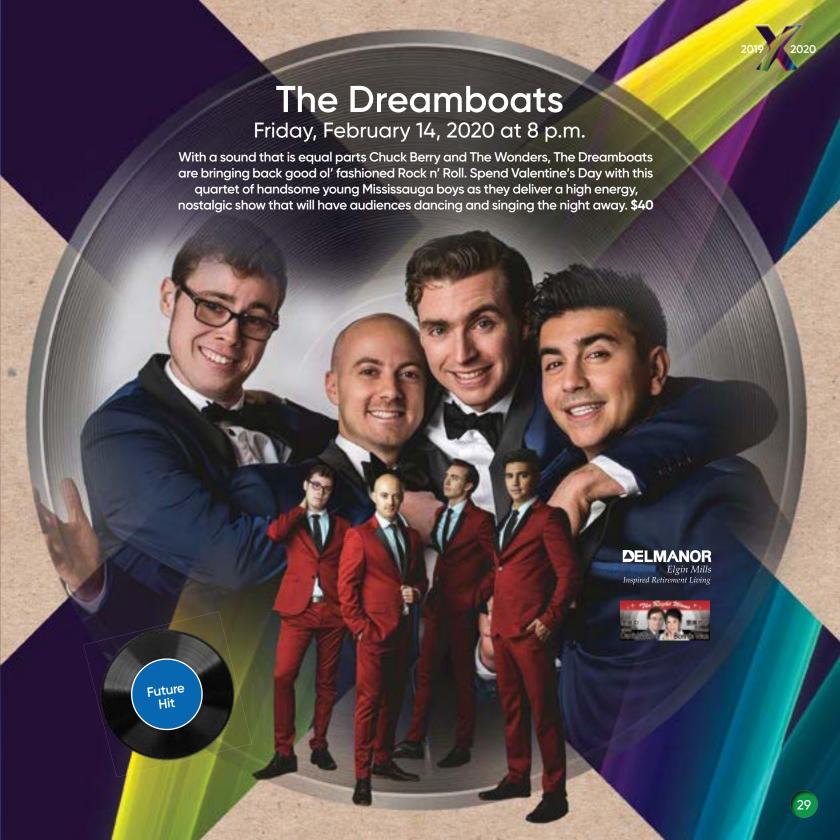
Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 8 p.m.

After touring the world for their last album eight years ago, Crash Test Dummies agreed that they were done. Recently, however, they reunited for a tour honouring the 25th anniversary of their breakthrough album God Shuffled His Feet, which features the mega-hit "Mmm Mmm Mmm Mmm." Featuring the distinctive vocals of Brad Roberts, Crash Test Dummies bring their folk-influenced pop for one unforgettable night of music. \$55









# Yao Yao

Monday, February 17, 2020 at 11 a.m., 2 p.m.

Yao is a mischievous little girl who loves playing with her dad. But every morning Daddy has to dress up in his suit, pick up his briefcase and go to work. One day Yao, unhappy with her father's departure, grabs his overcoat and accidentally pulls a thread that leads to the start of a magical world of adventure and discovery. Join Yao on her ingenious journey to find out what's waiting for her at the end of the thread... YAO YAO is a playful blend of reality and imagination, using interactive screen art technology and live music. \$20



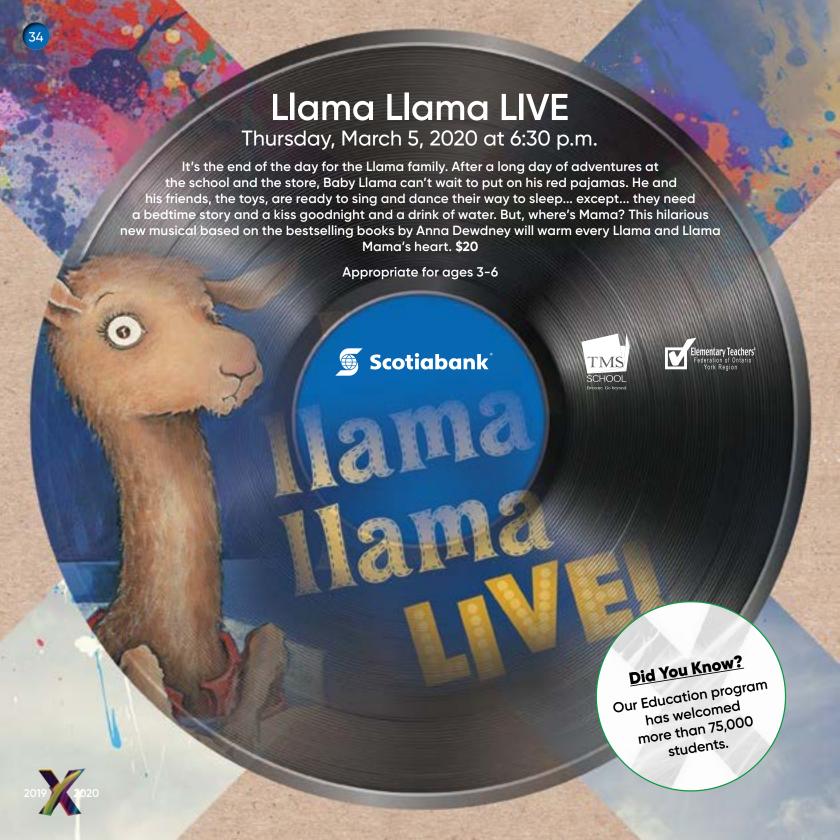
# Did You Know?

Theatre Manager
Michael Grit was hired
four months before
ground breaking.











# The Wall

Friday, March 6, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Note for Note. Cut for Cut. Released in 1979, The Wall is Pink Floyd's concept album that changed the face of music forever. Intriguing and imaginative, The Wall features such hits as "Comfortably Numb," "Young Lust," "Hey You" and many more. Come experience the height of psychedelic rock live and 'in the flesh' with Classic Albums Live and the RHCPA. \$50







The Bay City Rollers promises to be a unique voyage back to the 1970s, when Les McKeown and his legendary band ruled the world's pop charts and became the soundtrack for a generation of teenagers. The Bay City Rollers bring a new energy to all the classic hits, including "Saturday Night," "Bye Bye Baby," "Shang-a-Lang," "Remember" and "Summerlove Sensation" plus many many more. \$55

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 8 p.m.







# Binkalicious

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 2 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

This is the tale of Pinkalicious, who can't stop eating pink cupcakes despite warnings from her parents. Her pink indulgence lands her at the doctor's office with Pinkititis, an affliction that

turns her pink from head to toe – a dream come true for this pink loving enthusiast.

But when her hue goes too far, only Pinkalicious can figure out a way to get out of this pink predicament.

Pinkalicious the Musical is about learning the power of self-control and the importance of moderation.

\$20

Appropriate for ages 2-10













# Led Zeppelin II Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Note for Note. Cut for Cut. Released in 1969, Zeppelin II is widely considered to be the band's greatest work by rock and roll fans of all ages. Featuring such classics as, "Whole Lotta Love," "Heartbreaker" and "Moby Dick," Classic Albums Live will help you "get the led out." Complete the evening with a second act dedicated to Led Zeppelin's greatest hits. \$50











# **Downchild Blues Band**

Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 8 p.m.

After 18 albums, countless awards and wowing sold out audiences around the globe, the legendary Downchild Blues Band are celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year with a brand new show featuring hits like "Flip, Flop & Fly," as well as fan favourites and hidden gems from throughout their illustrious career. With their signature jump blues style and infectious, soulful sound, Juno Award winners Downchild deliver a live performance that is second to none, and this special anniversary show is one not to be missed! \$45





# Did You Know?

Our hydraulic orchestra pit is the only one of its kind in York Region.

## **Patron Services and Information**

Please find below frequently asked questions about the RHCPA. For full policy outlines visit rhcentre.ca

**Babes in Arms:** All patrons require a ticket regardless of age, due to fire code. Each family series performance has a limited number of complimentary tickets available to be used for infants under the age of 12 months. They will be issued by the Box Office at the time of purchase by phone or in person only on a first come, first serve basis. Should there be no remaining complimentary tickets then a regular theatre ticket must be purchased for the infant.

**Accessibility:** The Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts is a fully accessible building and is compliant with the Accessibility For Ontarians With Disabilities Act (AODA). The Theatre is also equipped with an infra-red sound amplification system. Please visit the box office for access to the system headsets.

**Smoking:** The Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts is a smoke free facility and is in compliance with the Smoke Free Ontario legislation. This includes all legislation pertaining to e-cigarettes and tobacco products.

**Scents:** In consideration of patrons who may have allergies, please refrain from wearing cologne, perfume or other scented products.

**Mobile Phones:** Patrons are requested to turn off all cellular devices when entering the auditorium. The taking of photographs and recording is strictly forbidden and will be enforced by theatre staff.

**Emergency Contact:** Should you need to reach an audience member during a performance. Please call 905-787-8811, ext 246. This will connect you with the main bar and staff will endeavour to assist where possible.

Coat Check: There is a seasonal coat check available at a cost of \$2 per coat. It is located on the south side of the main lobby.

**Food and Beverages:** The main bar is located on the south side of the main lobby and offers a full range of beverages and snacks. All beverages purchased at the main bar are permitted in the main auditorium.

Lost and Found: Please call 905-787-8811 to access assistance in locating a lost item.

Late Comers: Patrons who arrive late will be permitted access to the auditorium at a suitable break in the performance, as agreed to by the presenter of the production. Patrons are not guaranteed access to their assigned seating and will be located to their assigned seating at intermission.

**Dress Code:** While there is no formal dress code for the theatre, patrons generally wear comfortable, "business casual" attire.

**Parking:** There are 240 parking spots in the lots behind the theatre. There is additional street parking on Yonge Street as well as surrounding areas. Please ensure you are in compliance with posted parking times.

**Box Office:** The box office is located on the north side of the main lobby, just inside the main doors off the parking lot. Please note all ticket sales are final and there are no refunds.

**Tickets:** Tickets picked up at the box office require identification and signature. Lost tickets can be reprinted for a fee. The box office is in full agreement with the principles outlined in the Data Protection Act and the Privacy Act.

All programs, artists and times subject to change without notice.









### KINDRED SPIRITS ORCHESTRA

11<sup>th</sup> season

Kristian Alexander | Music Director



Kristian Alexander

Maxim Bernard

#### THE MUSE AND THE POET

Friday, March 20, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Saint-Saëns, La Muse et le Poète Ravel, Piano concerto in G major Maxim Bernard | piano Bartók, Concerto for orchestra



Friday, June 26, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Franck, Variations symphoniques
Shostakovich, Piano concerto No. 2
Sheng Cai | piano

Tchaikovsky, Symphony No. 5



Dong Xu



Sheng Cai

#### SHOSTAKOVICH: SYMPHONY No. 15

Friday, May 8, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Tchaikovsky, *Capriccio Italien*Prokofiev, Piano concerto No. 4
Dong Xu | piano
Shostakovich, Symphony No. 15

#### For our concerts at Markham Theatre:

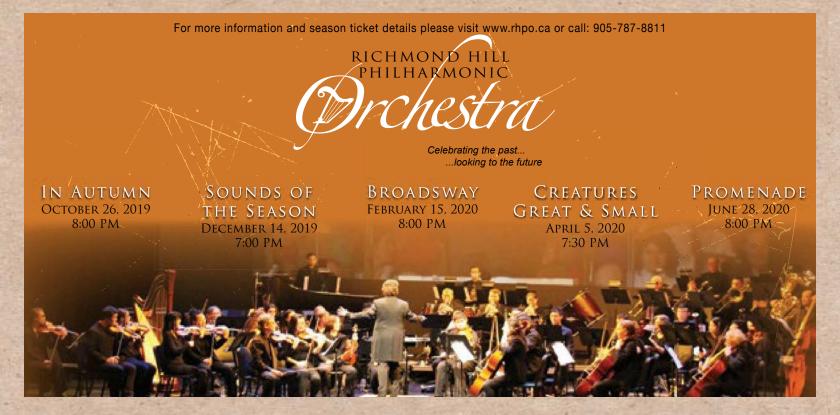
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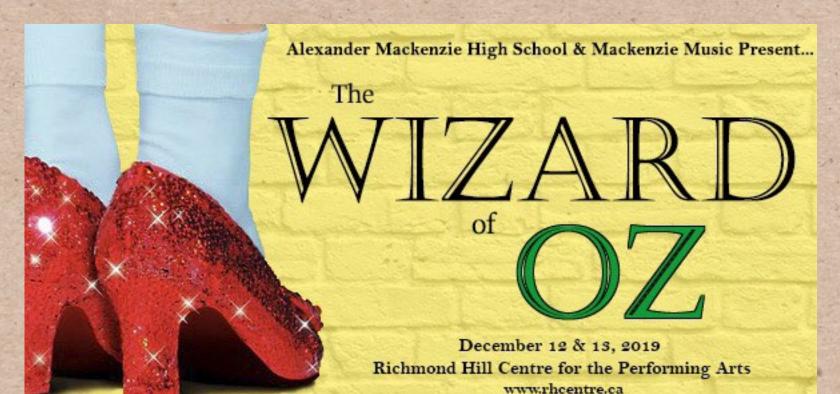
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