



SPECIAL E-NEWS June 12 - 15 2008

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Voted one of the Top 100 Festivals in Ontario, Burlington's Sound of Music Festival is one of the summers most sought after shows. Featuring a unique blend of new and emerging artists, Canadian icons of the past, and fan favourites on several stages along our beautiful waterfront and downtown.

ALL WEEKEND

Downtown Streetfest: Burlington Downtown and Performing Arts Burlington have partnered to present an even more exciting Downtown Streetfest. Performances throughout the weekend on the Pine Street pod are all Performing Arts Burlington entertainers. Programming has been expanded to include performances on Sunday afternoon from Tea for the Voyage, Starlite Steelband, The Entertainers and Subourbon Street. Also new for this year, the hours for the patios along Brant Street will be extended to 12:30 am on Friday and Saturday nights.

Carnival- Thursday and Friday 5 - 11 p.m. Saturday 10 am - 11 pm and Sunday 10 am - 5 pm.

Thursday June 12th, 2008

The Second Annual Festival Movie Night - 9pm: This year's feature presentation will be 2007 musical favorite, Hairspray, featuring John Travolta, Queen Latifa, Amanda Bynes, Nikki Blonsky and Zac Efron. The movie will be showing at the west end of the Park, on the OLG Stage.

Stage Performers - Bell Canada Stage: At 7pm performing will be 'The Killin Time' Band'. A wildly entertaining sound blending pop rock, blues, country, funk & Reggae. At 7:30pm will be the Opening Ceremonies for the Festival. At 8pm Burlington's own the 'Saint Alvia Cartel' will be performing. Thursday evening's headliner starting at 9:30pm will be Steeltown's own 'Tomi Swick' returning to the festival as a Juno and SOCAN award winner.

Friday June 13th, 2008

NEW!! Open Jam: Friday night at Burlington Hyundai Stage will be an All-Star Open Jam Session offering an opportunity for guests to sing and jam with some of the area's most talented musicians. Spaces are limited so register early at the side of the stage.

Stage Performers - Bell Canada Stage: Starting at 7pm is the band 'Backdraft'. This new band is an exciting, high energy group comprised mainly of Toronto Professional Firefighters. At 8pm 'The Sleddogs' will be performing. Saturday's headliner, starting at 9:30pm will be Singer, songwriter, lyricist, guitarist emeritus, and entertainer - 'Kim Mitchell'. He returns to the Sound of Music Festival as he continues his rockin` journey, paved with gold and platinum records and Juno awards.

Stage Performers - OLG Stage: Burlington's own 'Burlington Concert Band' will be performing at 7pm. The Burlington Concert Band is celebrating its 100th Anniversary. At 8:15 pm 'The Essentials' a Toronto-based accapella group, will perform. The headliner for the evening will be 'Matt

Dusk', starting at 9:45pm. Matt has won over audiences worldwide with his rich powerful voice and bold upbeat personality.

Stage Performers - Cogeco Stage: Starting at 7pm will be 'Dirty Maria'. A unique blend of traditional Latin American rhythm and heat, jazz, funk and rock. At 8pm, 'La Mezcla', is named for its diversity, will perform. During the intermission don't Miss Oakville's belly dance studio 'Belly Up'. They will be performing belly dance demonstrations in between bands. At 9:30pm 'Robert Michaels' will be on stage. He is known as Canada's most accomplished Latin Jazz guitarists.

Saturday June 14th, and Sunday June 15th-

Dependable Home Tech Family Zone: Bring the whole Family for two days of exciting acts. There will be REPITLE BOB, SMUDGE FUNDEES, MUSIC BY JAKE, and a Tribute to Hannah Montana on Saturday. On Sunday come and enjoy OREGANO & FRIENDS, ROBERT DAVIES, and music fun with JUDE JOHNSON.

Saturday June 14th

Prelude to Parade- Starting at 9 am - City Hall: Magnolia Brass Band, Born to Move dance Company and DM Bellydance.

Grade Festival Parade -11 am: With marching bands from across Canada and the United States, the Festival's official mascot Mr. Treble, and whimsical floats and performers, the Grande Festival Parade is fun for the whole family. The parade begins at Central Park; travels along New Street and James Street to City Hall; then turns north on Brant Street, ending at Central High School.

Post Parade Performances - Starting at 1 pm at Brant St. and Caroline. Teen Tour Band, Rock this Way Band, Top Hats Marching Orchestra, Salvation Army Band, Art of Dance and New Edition.

Stage Performers -Bell Canada Stage: At 1pm, 'Appollosdown' will perform. Next on Stage at 2pm, whether you feel like a little swing, sway, or stepping slow, this is what flows 'From the Bridge'. At 3:30pm, 'Serena Ryder' will perform. Her deep, bluesy, soulful voice has drawn comparisons to Janis Joplin and Aretha Franklin. 'The Lunateers' a talented 11-piece ska/jazz band will be on stage at 7pm. At 8pm the 'Arkells' will perform. The headliner for the evening at 9:30 pm will be 'Hawksley Workman'. This Canadian rock singer-songwriter is a blend of cabaret pop and glam rock.

Stage Performers - The Olg Stage: Starting at 1pm, 'IIScarlett' will take the stage. At 3 pm, 'Sliverstein' will perform. At 6:30 pm, 'The John Henrys' will take the stage. Starting at 8pm, 'Jason Blaine' will be on stage. The last performer of the evening at 9:30 pm will be 'George Fox.'

Stage Performers - The Cogeco Stage: At 1pm, 'Fiddlestix' Canada's newest Celtic/Bluegrass Rock sensation will take the stage. Starting at 2:15 pm 'Poor Angus' will perform. At 3:30 pm, 'Shanneyganock' will take the stage their stirring ballads, powerful shanties, rib-rattling jigs and reels. Later in the evening at 7pm, 'Robin Boers Trio' will start. At 8:15pm, will be 'The Jumpin' Jive Band'. Have a swingin' good time while they perform the hits of the swing era and today's popular jazz standards. The last performer on the stage at 9:30pm will be 'Emilie-Claire Barlow'. She has been described as "Canada's incomparable vocal-jazz jewel".

Stage Performers - Burlington Hyundai Stage: Starting at 1pm will be 'Gabriel'. At 2pm, 'Paula Perri' will be performing. 'The Mississippi Kings' will perform at 3:00 pm. At 4pm 'My Own Devices' will be on stage. The band 'Remedy' will be playing at 5pm. Starting at 6pm, 'Jets to Ground' will perform. Starting at 7pm, 'Walk Off The Earth' will play. The last band of the night

on this stage will be 'The First Time', at 8pm. They have just come off of a successful tour, a Toronto Indie Award and a have a new album in the works.

Sunday June 15th

Stage Performers - Bell Canada Stage: 'My 2 Sense' will be on the stage at 1pm. They have a new, rootsy alternative rock sound: dynamic, eclectic, and hard to forget. At 2pm, 'John Landry' will perform. Join us at 3:15pm for the Closing Ceremonies of the 2008 Burlington's Sound of Music Festival. Then at 3:30pm, 'Jim Cuddy' will be on stage.

Sunday June 15th - Stage Performers- OLG Stage: At 1pm, the Burlington based 'The Appollo Effect' will perform. Next on stage at 2pm, will be the rock band 'The Joys'. The Trio of Texans, 'Grady' will play at 3:30pm.

Sunday June 15th - Stage Performers- The Cogeco Stage: At 1pm, 'Terra Lightfoot' is on stage. Starting at 2pm, 'Mike Ford' takes the stage. At 3:15pm & 4:15pm, 'The Arrogant Worms' will take the stage. Prepare yourself to be entertained by the clear lyrics, great music and hilarious on-stage banter.

Sunday June 15th - Stage Performers - Burlington Hyundai Stage: Assumption High School's 4-piece melodic punk band 'Mondo' will be on stage at 1pm. At 2pm, 'Call of the Wild' will play. Starting at 3pm, 'The Bad Names' come on stage with their current high energy ska-punk.

New This Year to the Festival:

Festival Shuttle: In order to reduce gas emissions and congestion in the Downtown core, a Festival Shuttle will operate from the Burlington Fairview GO Station to the John Street bus terminal. Park for FREE and Ride the Shuttle from 6pm to Midnight on Friday, Noon to Midnight on Saturday, and Sunday from Noon to 6pm. A contribution of \$2 for a round trip will help to keep this convenient and environmentally-friendly program sustainable for future years. So, Forget the Fuss and Board the Bus!

Taxi Stands: In another step to get Festival-goers to and from the Park, there will be two Burlington Taxi stands located on the south side of Lakeshore Blvd. - one at the base of John Street and the other at the base of Brock Street.

Simply Green Program: Annually, Festival volunteers sort over 7 tons of waste, diverting over half from the landfill to recycling and composting. Festival-goers are encouraged to participate in our efforts by using the proper recycling and garbage receptacles located throughout the Park. The Festival will also be using compostable beer cups (made from a corn derivative) this year, with special 'Cup Composter' sleeves located in convenient areas where beer is served.

Sunday Morning in the Park: Compass Point Church is offering a FREE pancake breakfast starting at 10:30am near Bell Canada Stage. At 11:30am, the Compass Point Band will perform, along with recording artist Diane-Lee Clemons. Football Hall-of-Famer Mike "Pinball" Clemons is Guest MC.

For general information, call the Festival Hotline: 905-333-6364 OR info@soundofmusic.ca