

2023-2024
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SOON

40TH



HORIZON
STAGE
Performing Arts Centre

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

MAYOR'S WELCOME

On behalf of the City of Spruce Grove and my colleagues on City Council, it is my distinct privilege to welcome you to Horizon Stage for our landmark 40th anniversary season! If these walls could talk, what a story they would tell about the captivating, entertaining, and inspiring performances that have graced this stage over the past 40 years.

The 2023/2024 season continues that tradition with a slate of shows sure to thrill guests of all ages and interests. If some of the names sound familiar, it's because we're bringing back several "fan favourites" that have dazzled and delighted crowds over the past four decades.

More than simply a venue, Horizon Stage truly is the beating heart of our thriving arts and culture scene in Spruce Grove. It's a place where we come together and connect over our shared love of theatre, music, comedy, cultural performances, and so much more.

City Council is incredibly proud to support this facility and we can't wait to see you at one (or more!) of our shows this season. Thank you for supporting Horizon Stage and its performers, technicians, staff and volunteers. It's going to be a 40th anniversary to remember!



Jeff Acker
Mayor, City of Spruce Grove



CELEBRATE OUR



Watch for this symbol to know when the artist(s) last visited Horizon Stage!



SEASON AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

- 26** Jimmy Rankin
- 30** National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

OCTOBER

- 7** Missoula Children's Theatre – King Arthur's Quest
- 8** Middle Raged
- 26** Connie Kaldor

NOVEMBER

- 4** Ideas Bobert – Candy Bones Theatre
- 5** Crystal Plamondon
- 9** Ridge performed by The Fugitives
- 17/18** George Fox
- 30** Horizon Players: Woman In Mind

DECEMBER

- 1/2** Horizon Players: Woman In Mind
- 9** The Nadeau Ensemble: A Prairie Christmas

JANUARY

- 21** Always Patsy Cline
- 28** Jake Vaadeland & The Sturgeon River Boys
- 31** DJ Warkentin

FEBRUARY

- 24** Orchard Sky

MARCH

- 16** River City Big Band
- 18** Chris Funk

APRIL

- 9** Hotel California
- 25-27** Horizon Players: Spring Production

MAY

- 4** God is a Scottish Drag Queen
- 12** New North Collective
- 25** Amy Bishop

**Programming subject to change without notice.*

**TICKETS
ON SALE
AUG 16**

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ONLINE

horizonstage.com



OVER THE PHONE

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1-888-655-9090



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Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

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Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

*Box Office at Horizon Stage, 1001 Calahoo Road,
is open one hour prior to performances.*

Please be aware of third-party ticket sellers, and only buy through official channels; directly from our Box Office or Ticketpro.

GROUP TICKET DISCOUNTS



GROUPS ATTENDING

Tickets with a face value of \$20 or more are eligible for the following:

10-14

10% OFF

15-24

15% OFF

25+

20% OFF

**Must purchase the tickets in the same transaction.*



**Not all performances are eligible for multiple discounts,
EXEMPT SHOWS icon featured in show pricing chart
visit horizonstage.com to learn more.*

TICKET NOTES



All ticket sales are final – no refunds.*



All patrons require a ticket regardless of age, including children and babies.



Ticket Prices include GST, facility fees and Ticketpro fees.**



Students are 18 and under, or post-secondary with valid ID.

**Exchanges may be accommodated, if requested at least one week in advance.*

***Discounts are applied to the base price, before fees and tax.*



THEATRE NOTES

- Babes-In Arms (under two years) are not permitted at performances, except family programming.
- To reduce interruptions, latecomers and those who exit the theatre will be seated at the discretion of staff.
- No flash photography. Please be discreet when taking photos to avoid disruption to other patrons.
- No outside food or beverages are permitted.
- During family performances, only bottled water is permitted in the theatre.
- For the comfort of all patrons, please refrain from wearing strong scents.

Visit **horizonstage.com** for our full theatre policies.

**Subject to change without notice.*



COUNTRY

JIMMY

RANKIN

TUE

SEPT

26

7:30 PM

Now this is big news. One of the true originals in Canadian music has moved from Nashville to Nova Scotia and is celebrating with music only he could make. Jimmy Rankin's new *Moving East* is pure East Coast, a homecoming album featuring true stories, tall tales and bittersweet ballads, and the classic folk-rock sound that Rankin helped pioneer.

jimmyrankin.com



2019

TIX

ADULTS

\$45

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$40



NATIONAL DAY OF

HISTORY

TRUTH &

RECONCILIATION

SAT

SEPT

30

7:30 PM

Join us on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation for an opportunity to learn about Canada's history, engage in meaningful conversation, and hear from a local Elder. The evening will start with a musical performance by Alexis and Ted Wright. Afterwards, a screening of *It Had to Be Done* by Tessa Desnomie. This short documentary explores the legacy of Residential Schools through the eyes of two extraordinary women who not only lived it, but who, as adults, made the surprising decision to return to the school that had affected their lives so profoundly. Refreshments will be served after the screening. Emotional support will be available for the duration of the evening.



TIX



ALL AGES

(Recommended ages: 16+)

FREE



MISSOULA
CHILDREN'S
THEATRE

CHILDREN'S
THEATRE

KING

ARTHUR'S

QUEST

SAT

OCT

7

1:00 PM

7:00 PM

King Arthur, of legend and song, strode across Medieval England with courage and confidence...or did he? Watch the Damsels in Distress sound the warning of trouble. Witness the Lady of the Lake as she produces the sword in the stone. Hide with the Camelotians when the Ghost of Arthur's father visits the castle. See the giant tower over the questing knights. Cheer for the king when he makes friends with the terrible dragon. Listen in as Morgan Le Fey and Mordred propose a better plan. Join the Knights and Squires of the Round Table as they try to do the right thing. Follow the original twist on this familiar story as it weaves its way through a landscape full of surprises!

mctinc.org



2012

TIX



ADULTS/SENIORS
CHILDREN/YOUTH

\$15
\$10



SKETCH
COMEDY

MIDDLE

RAGED

SUN

OCT

8

7:30 PM

Middle Raged is a hilarious live sketch comedy revue starring Geri Hall (22 Minutes, Second City), and Gary Pearson (MadTV, Corner Gas), that explores life between 30 and 65 - from raising kids, to financial stress, to dealing with elderly parents, to going to more funerals than weddings, and even trying to keep romance alive through 'Outlander' role play in the bedroom. Ripe with song parodies, physical comedy and eerily relatable situations, it is a show that promises its audiences wall to wall laughter.

Directed by Mark Melymiwk

middleraged.ca

TIX

ADULTS \$35
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$30



FOLK

CONNIE

KALDOR

THUR

OCT

26

7:30 PM

Connie Kaldor – singer-songwriter, entertainer, TV personality, and women’s music pioneer - is celebrating 45 years in show business this year with her upcoming 18th recording titled *Keep Going!* She began her career in folk music as part of the Canadian wave alongside artists like Stan Rogers and Valdy. Armed with her enormous stage presence, her unforgettable melodies, and her emotional depth as a songwriter, Connie became a headline act on the festival circuit. Her extensive touring has earned her a loyal fan base that extends far beyond the traditional boundaries of folk.

Show opener: **Aleksi Campagne**

conniekaldor.com



2012

TIX

ADULTS

\$40

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$35

FAMILY
MATTINEE

IDEAS

BOBERT

**CANDY BONES
THEATRE**

SAT

NOV

4

2:00 PM

What happens if we deny our deepest dreams and desires? Bobert is a silent character a la Charlie Chaplin who has a little red bird for a heart. His story asks us, what happens if we are to deny our deepest dreams and desires? Teetering on the brink of absolute failure, Bobert discovers his heart to be more important than he knew. Ideas Bobert is a clown tour de force of comedy and conundrum created and performed by award-winning multidisciplinary artist Candy Roberts. With vintage silent film styling, shadow puppetry, stop motion animation projections, dance and live music, the wordless world of Ideas Bobert is rich with magic and creativity. Like Ginger Rogers meets Mr. Bean on the Muppet show, Ideas Bobert dances with the hilariously absurd.

candy-bones.com

TIX



ADULTS/SENIORS
CHILDREN/YOUTH

\$15
\$10

CRYSTAL**PLAMONDON**

SUN

NOV

5

7:30 PM

Crystal Plamondon hails from Plamondon, a town in Northern Alberta founded by her Franco-American great grandfather in 1908. Crystal is a talented singer/songwriter/actor/producer with a 35-year track record of consistently delivering passionate concerts that cover an emotional range from heart-warming ballads (as she demonstrates in her sixth studio album **TORCH**; realizing a dream to sing Jazz classics), to her rock iní country, cajun, roots style. Crystal never fails to connect with her audience because of her warmth, wit and rapport! Crystal has toured extensively in live music venues, theatres, and festivals throughout North America and Europe.

crystalplamondon.com

2004

TIX

ADULTS

\$40

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$35



ACOUSTIC
FOLK ROOTS

RIDGE

PERFORMED BY
THE FUGITIVES

THUR

NOV

9

7:30 PM

Often called “the battle that made Canada”, Vimy Ridge resulted in over 10,000 Canadian casualties. In this show, The Fugitives examine varying perspectives around the battle, while passionately arguing against the exploitation of young lives. The show was named a top ten arts event of 2020 by the *Globe and Mail*, while the *Vancouver Sun* remarked: “it serves to give the sacrifices of those who served and died a human dimension beyond mythology.” During the show, The Fugitives perform their JUNO-nominated album *Trench Songs* to accompany the WWI storytelling.

fugitives.ca

TIX

ADULTS

\$35

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$30

COUNTRY

GEORGE

FOX

FRI

SAT

NOV

NOV

17

18

7:30 PM

7:30 PM

George Fox has a mantle filled with country music awards including three Junos, seven Canadian Country Music Awards, and nine RPM Big Country Awards. George has released 27 singles, recorded 11 albums including a greatest hits compilation, and there's a street named after him in his hometown Cochrane, Alberta. He has traveled the world, opening for some of the biggest names in country music and headlining sold out shows from coast to coast. He is a bonafide Canadian country music star who now enjoys living the "quiet" life with his wife and two daughters on an expansive acreage/farm in southern Ontario and touring selectively.

georgefox.com



2015

TIX

ADULTS

\$45

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$40



CHRISTMAS

THE NADEAU ENSEMBLE

A PRAIRIE CHRISTMAS

SAT

DEC

9

7:30 PM

Led by Janelle Nadeau, formerly of Winter Harp, on pedal harp and vocals, this ensemble performs *A Prairie Christmas*, a captivating concert of music to celebrate the season, honoring and cherishing special traditions with family and friends. Janelle is joined by Serena Eades, a Sunshine Coast violinist, and Medieval instrumentalist Joaquin Ayala, whose special collection of rare instruments dates back to the 9th century. Join these talented musicians as they take you on an enchanting journey into the living room of their memories, to a place where they will help create a new and lasting tradition for you and the important people in your life.

janelledenadeau.com

TIX

ADULTS \$40
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$35



2019

COUNTRY
MUSICAL

ALWAYS

PATSY

CLINE



SUN

JAN

21

2:00 PM

Always...Patsy Cline by Ted Swindley is a play with music based on a true story. "Always...Patsy Cline" is more than a tribute to the legendary country singer who died tragically at age 30 in a plane crash in 1963. It is based on a true story about Cline's friendship with a fan who befriended the star until her death. Complete with live band down-home country humour and true emotion, the show includes many of Patsy's unforgettable hits such as Crazy, I Fall to Pieces, Sweet Dreams and Walking After Midnight...over two dozen songs in all.



TIX

ADULTS

\$45

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$40

BLUGRASS
50'S ROCK

JAKE

VAADELAND

**& THE STURGEON
RIVER BOYS**

SUN

JAN

28

2:00 PM

Jake Vaadeland is a self-taught multi-instrumentalist and songwriter from Saskatchewan. His traditional sound and unique style could be defined as a blend of Bluegrass and 50's Rockabilly, with Jake also specializing on guitar and banjo in addition to his impressive vocals. Jake strives to write and play with a focus on storytelling and messages that he hopes his audience can relate to, all packaged in foot-stomping, high-energy performances with The Sturgeon River Boys.



jakevaadeland.com

TIX

ADULTS \$35
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$30



MUNCHKIN
MATINEE

DJ

WARKENTIN

WED

JAN

31

10:00 AM

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Manitoba, DJ first found his passion for playing music in small bands during his school years. In later years as an adult and father he found himself writing songs for his three young sons. His inspiration for many of these songs came from suggestions and requests that his children would make while he played for them before bed. Writing songs came quite easily for DJ and he soon found he had a large collection of songs he had written. It was then he decided he would try his hand at performing these songs for other children, and so began what has become a rewarding and personally fulfilling career. He has been likened to other great children's performers such as Shel Silverstein, Fred Penner and The Wiggles.

djwarkentin.com

Recommended Age: 6 years and under

TIX



ADULTS /SENIORS
CHILDREN/YOUTH

\$12
\$6



COUNTRY

ORCHARD

SKY

SAT

FEB

24

7:30 PM

Orchard Sky's fresh new sound comes from a combination of Vancouver's Krystle Dos Santos' powerful and soulful vocals, and the hard picking guitar work and heart pumping bass lines from Edmonton's Mitch Smith and Andreas Wegner. Their latest single "Rollin' 7's", which features Clayton Bellamy, is a blend of lipstick, dynamite and the roll of the dice. Making a home for itself at Canadian Country Radio, "Rollin' 7's" is a foot stomping track that makes you want to turn your dial up to eleven. With a rock infused country sound that has been described as "Sass Jordan if she sang country" and "Carrie Underwood if she sang rock", Orchard Sky has something for everyone.

orchardsky.ca

TIX

ADULTS

\$35

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$30



2019



JAZZ

RIVER CITY

BIG BAND

SAT

MAR

16

7:30 PM

Edmonton-based River City Big Band is one of the premiere jazz big bands in Alberta. Special guests who have joined the band along the way include Juno Award winning artists Tommy Banks, PJ Perry, Mike Murley, and Bobby Cairns. The band's repertoire is extensive, ranging from the big band standards of Duke Ellington and Stan Kenton to the music of today's most popular contemporary jazz composers, including Edmonton's own internationally-renowned Allan Gilliland. Check out River City Big Band in live performances and on the band's recordings, "Just Friends" and "River", available on Spotify, Apple Music and other streaming platforms.

rivercitybigband.com



2015

TIX

ADULTS

\$35

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$30



MAGIC

CHRIS

FUNK

MON

MAR

18

7:30 PM

Magician Chris Funk – The Wonderist, has traveled the world sharing his style of magic that can only be described as refreshingly different. Finally, a Magic Show with Live Music! Presenting a violin concerto, and a guitar loop recorded live on stage has put this show into a league of its own. The live-feed camera and interactive video brings the audience up on stage and into the action, delivering a show that everyone will love!

chrisfunkmagic.com

TIX

ADULTS \$40
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$35

EAGLES
TRIBUTE

HOTEL

CALIFORNIA



TUE

APR

9

7:30 PM

The Original Tribute to The Eagles, Hotel California prides itself on creating the illusion that you are listening to the actual Eagles. They've shared the stage with the Doobie Brothers, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Styx, REO Speedwagon, Gretchen Wilson and many more international artists. They've performed in Tahiti, Dubai, Japan, India, Bermuda & all over North America.



hotelcalifornia.ca



2014

TIX

ADULTS

\$45

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$40



COMEDY

GOD IS A

SCOTTISH

DRAG QUEEN

SAT

MAY

4

7:30 PM

God, dressed in a floral power suit, comes down to set the record straight and expound on everything from Noah's Ark to Star Wars and answer humankind's most asked questions in a hilarious and unforgettable night of comedy! Loved by preachers and atheists alike, this show has quickly become one of the most popular one-man shows touring today and has received critical acclaim for its non-stop brilliant look at pop culture and humanity through the eyes of a silly, foul-mouthed, and very lovable Scottish deity.



mikedelamont.com

TIX

ADULTS

\$40

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$35



2017



CANADIAN
NORTH

NEW NORTH COLLECTIVE

SUN

MAY

12

7:30 PM

The New North Collective is an ensemble of performing artists from Yukon and Northwest Territories including spoken word artist/bassist Pat Braden and composer/performer Carmen Braden from the NWT, singer/songwriter Diyet from the Kluane First Nation, guitarist/songwriter Graeme Peters, trombonist Selena Savage, and percussionist Robert Van Lieshout from the Yukon, with multi- instrumentalist/producer Jan de Vroede from Greenland bringing a circumpolar element. Their shared music focuses on an in-depth look at being a northern person and a northern artist with the impact of change, geography and community on the music they create.

magnumom.ca



2018

TIX

ADULTS

\$40

SENIORS/STUDENTS

\$35



FOLK
POP

AMY

BISHOP

SAT

MAY

25

7:30 PM

Hailing from Calgary, Amy began her music career around campfires, at block parties, and in church choir. Knowing a career in music is no guarantee, Amy decided to practice other trades, but her passion for music prevailed, leading her to collaborations with Moby and opening for April Wine, Farmer's Daughter, and Chris Cummings. Amy has an instinctive ability to craft stories into song and deliver them with sincerity and passion, all qualities that make her an undeniable Canadian talent.

Amy "wowed" Canada with her appearance on CTV's "The Launch" in 2018. In March 2019, Amy performed at the prestigious Canadian Screen Awards in Toronto.

amybishopmusic.ca

TIX

ADULTS \$40
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$35

HORIZON PLAYERS PRESENT

THEATRE

WOMAN

IN MIND



Horizon Players

THUR-SAT

NOV TO DEC
30 2

7:30 PM

“Isn’t the mind a curious thing? Is what we see reality? Do others see what we see when we interact? What control do we have, if any? Can we change our minds and can it be changed for us?”

Alan Ayckbourn has written an intriguing play about an ordinary, middle-aged housewife living an apparently ordinary life and in doing so poses these questions. All we have to do is figure it out!”

facebook.com/horizonplayers

TIX

ADULTS \$25
SENIORS/STUDENTS \$20

THEATRE

TBA



THUR-SAT

APR TO APR
25 27

7:30 PM

Horizon Players is excited to present a spring production on Apr 25, 26, and 27, 2024.

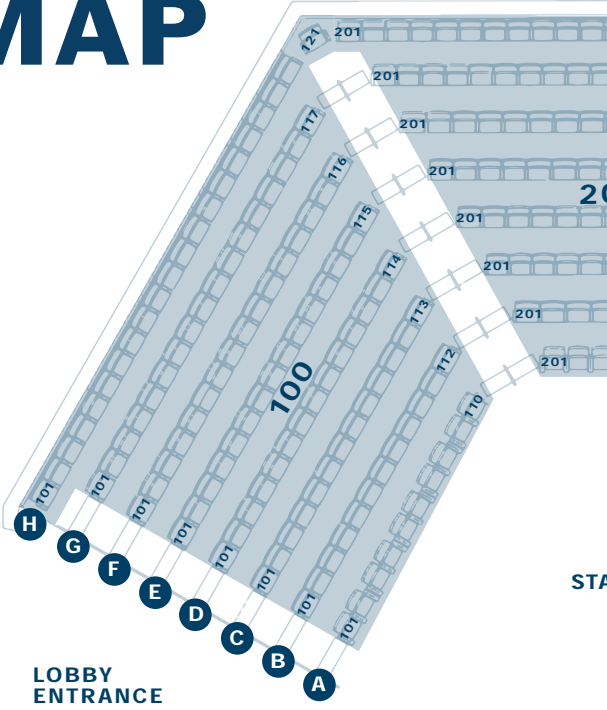
We are currently working out the details; look for an announcement on our Facebook page.

facebook.com/horizonplayers

TIX

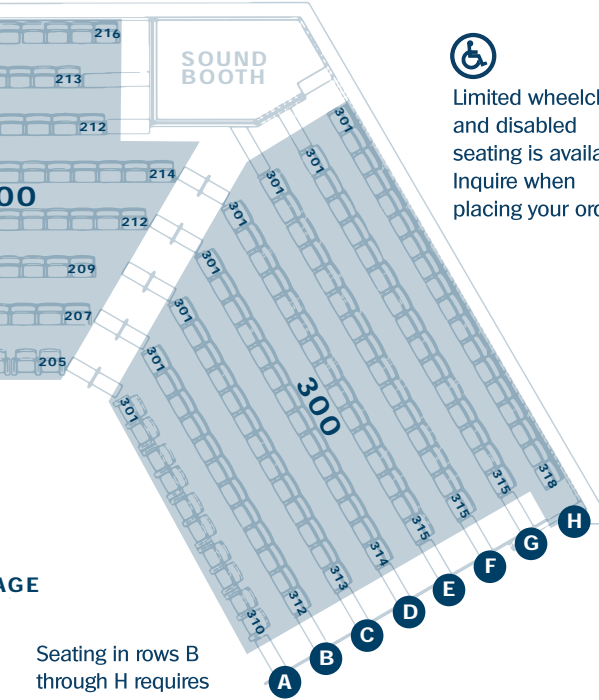
ADULTS	\$25
SENIORS/STUDENTS	\$20

THEATRE MAP



LOCATION MAP





Limited wheelchair and disabled seating is available. Inquire when placing your order.

AGE

Seating in rows B through H requires walking up steps with a handrail for assistance.

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Do we have your e-mail address? You'll get reminders about upcoming shows with our e-newsletter.



Gift certificates are available in any dollar amount, and are valid for season performances only.



Our stage can be rented for your special event - seminars, guest speakers, community concerts, and weddings.



Assisted Hearing Devices and disposable ear plugs are available free of charge for use at performances. Ask a staff member or volunteer for assistance.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Horizon Stagelighters

A not-for-profit society providing Front of House services, promoting the value of theatre in our community, fundraising for Horizon Stage, and sponsoring select performances.

Tech Team

Supporting performing arts in our community by working behind the scenes on all aspects of technical theatre. They can be found backstage at the theatre and at most City of Spruce Grove special events.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Want to learn more about volunteering at Horizon Stage?



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parkland
county

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Adjoining Spruce Grove Composite High School

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Handicapped parking is available on the service road in front of the theatre entrance.

horizonstage.com

