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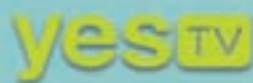


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THE ABSURDITY OF A MOMENT



ON SEPTEMBER 1ST, as Hurricane Dorian made its way toward the Bahamas, Donald Trump tweeted: “In addition to Florida — South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama will most like be hit (much) harder than anticipated. Looking like one of the largest hurricanes ever. Already category 5. BE CAREFUL! GOD BLESS EVERYONE!” The ways that

this deranged utterance sum up the way the world moves to the strokes President Trump’s fingers are myriad, so let’s break it down. Most ‘controversially’ the National Weather Service deemed it necessary to clarify that, in fact, Alabama would not be impacted at all by the storm, sending Trump into a tailspin. Far from dealing with things like emergency preparedness, the man

became seemingly obsessed with proving that he was right that Alabama was in the storm’s path. Amazingly, the issue remained at the forefront of the news for days, peaking with Trump’s incredibly bizarre desk-side performance, where he showed a map crudely doctored by a sharpie to ‘prove’ that the storm had been forecasted to reach Alabama. He launched broadsides at the weather service and the Fake News Media, while insisting he was right all along. And that’s just it; Donald Trump’s presidency is nothing more than a four year battle to ensure that every single thing he says is true, and anything said against him is false.

There’s little else to be said about Trump’s propensity for falsehood and hyperbole, and obviously his behaviour is often a threat to public safety. There’s not much funny about the leader of a nation waiting on a storm to be misdirected in this fashion. There is something deliriously absurd however about the fact that there’s an entire group of people who work for Donald Trump who’s job seems to be nothing else than to react to one insanity after another. Imagine what it’s like to have a job

where you wake up everyday waiting for the Mad Libs directions you will have to take from the world’s most powerful man. Todd, we’re going to need a sharpie, stat! Wait, what, why? The President needs to draw his incorrect thoughts on a map for the whole world to see. Also, we’re going to need you to pretend everything he’s said about the path of this looming storm is absolutely true. It’s precisely the same idea as when these people were faced with explaining that Trump’s inauguration was the largest gathering of humans in the history of the species, just that the darts he fires at the wall landed a little different this time round.

Of course, Trump’s exaggerations have a purpose, even if they’re not purposeful. That’s the maniacal beauty behind them. The power of the President is such that this movement from erratic nonsense to position of the state is seamless. While the Alabama snafu is a weird left turn, his description of the potential danger of the storm is in keeping with the way he describes pretty much every hurricane that makes it onto FOX’s weather arm. Like all of his other exaggerations, they’re grounded in his own insecurities. In this case, one can imagine the stumbling apparatus of American emergency response in the hands of Donald

Trump is an absolute mess. So, how do they deal with this? Not by, you know, trying to remedy the situation (as that would be impossible, given the situation), but instead to let people know ahead of time that what is coming is the absolute worst version of whatever the thing in question happens to be. This hurricane here, you’ll never believe it, this thing is the biggest craziest most dangerous storm the planet has ever seen. It’s Category 5, which also is an all-time record! This is in keeping with Trump’s tried and true strategy of covering his own ass at all times. This way, if Hurricane Dorian did devastate the southeastern seaboard of the country he leads, well who could blame him when the cleanup is a disaster. It was beyond his control! Biggest storm ever!

There is no other direction than directionless in the Trump administration. This is a weekly, daily, hourly, by-the-minute hurtling from drivel to coverup. By the time the Alabama Proclamation had died down, it wasn’t really even of its own volition, but rather that Trump had entered an online battle with his now former National Security Adviser John Bolton, whom Trump claimed he had dismissed, despite Bolton’s claims that he had first resigned from the post. So, the news networks fall in line, the memes online flow forth, and we revel and cringe at just another day in Trump’s paradise. ▼

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Dear EarthTalk: I’ve heard that school buses cause a lot of pollution, especially for the kids riding inside. Is anyone making greener school buses yet?

—Jake McConnell

NOW THAT SCHOOL is back in session, those big yellow diesel-fueled school buses are all over the roads again. While they’re relatively safe—and definitely old school—they’re also big polluters, chugging along at 4–6 miles to the gallon while creating a cloud of harmful airborne pollutants.

According to the non-profit Clean Air Trust (CAT), some 25 million American kids travelling on half a million school buses every day are exposed to five to 15 times more air toxins than the rest of us. “Those buses travel more than four billion miles each year and these kids spend three billion hours on [them],” reports the group. “About 90 percent of these buses run on diesel fuel, annually emitting 3,000 tons of cancer-causing soot and 95,000 tons of smog-causing compounds.”

If you don’t think all that pollution is having a negative effect, think again. A March 2019 study from researchers at Georgia State University found that students did significantly better on standardized English tests and marginally better in math when they spent their commutes riding in school buses retrofitted to reduce emissions by 95 percent as compared to students riding in non-upgraded buses. The researchers conclude that “engine retrofits can have meaningful and cost-effective impacts on health and cognitive functioning.”

Luckily the retrofits are easy to come by and relatively inexpensive, especially when you factor in the costs of health care to treat sick kids, not to mention the price tag for raising kids’ test scores in other ways. Retrofitting 10 percent of the average school district’s bus fleet in Georgia, for instance, would cost less than \$100,000, a drop in the bucket of the state’s \$10.6 billion K–12 public schools budget.

And beginning in October 2018, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set aside \$9 million to help pay for upgrading older diesel school buses nationwide. School districts and other public agencies charged with transporting school kids can apply for rebates of up to \$20,000 per bus to help cover the retrofits on up to 10 individual buses.

Retrofitting is a great start, but even better would be replacing old buses with new, more efficient all-electric models. But few school districts can justify the \$300,000 price tag to replace perfectly functional older diesel buses. That didn’t stop the school district in White Plains, New York, though, which purchased five electric buses last year with financial help from the local utility, Consolidated Edison, and a grant from the state.

These outside contributions helped bring the final cost to the school district down to something along the lines of buying new diesel buses. While ConEd gets the benefit of good public relations and good karma, it also gets to use the buses during the summer as excess electricity storage that can be moved around to where it’s needed most (when the air conditioners are blazing). White Plains is hoping other school districts across the country will follow a similar model to clean up their acts. ▼

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TWIN WITHIN AND THE HAMILTON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

HAMILTON NATIVE, FAMILY man, mortgage broker and founder of Twin Within, Steve McKay is always an interesting interview. After a decade or two slugging it out in the harder rock underground, some five years ago, McKay originally envisioned Twin Within as a duo featuring the blended unison singing of himself and Alex Samaras but with two albums released, the group has since evolved into a very different beast yet retaining its classical, baroque, pop and rock vision.

“Alex has so many musical projects on the go and was becoming frustrated with all of the demands on him so I asked him if he wanted me to fire him,” says McKay. “He said, ‘yes, please’ and that was that. He’s got an amazing skill set and it’d be like trying to replace someone like Freddy Mercury. Queen tried and failed miserably so I couldn’t fathom replacing him but I had Hamilton singer/songwriter Kori Pop on omnichord and keys and more recent Hamilton transplant singer and songwriter Lisa Savard-Quong on bass that I tried playing with and they were able to cover the whole range of what Alex did between the two of them.

“Benjamin Schillaci played with Twin Within for all of our live shows for a long time and I was hoping he would step in and play guitar for us but wasn’t able,” adds McKay. “I was playing the drums for a while but it’s hard to lead the band behind the drum kit so we got [ex-Huron, ex-A Northern Chorus] Pete Hall to play the drums but he ended up moving to Banff. I thought we had to really tie this down and I was hoping Jackson Hudecki would be able to take this on. He’s a heavy rock and roll drummer for bands like Cowlick but I was a heavy

drummer in Bruce Peninsula and the Deviants, too and for this you have to have more of a light fluffy, cloud in mind for this music. Eventually, he said yes and this foursome has just been great. It’s been a really complicated year or so for sure.”

So long time fans of Twin Within can expect a very out of the ordinary show at Supercrawl and one that revisits their second album recorded with the HPO but one that also indicates the future for the band.

“We were going for a Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin thing, or a Righteous Brothers thing — two guys

with microphones, just crooning,” says McKay on his original vision. “But given the situation, I didn’t want to do it almost like we did, so we decided on a sharp left turn and the new vision is kind of like a Pink Floyd vibe for the new Twin Within. You get three people singing up front and each person has their very distinctive flavour and a good drummer in the background. Each singer does things all the time and engages the audiences like Fleetwood Mac. The songs blend together but there is variety and harmony and it’s just so special and that’s what we’re aspiring to — to sound as

big as Pink Floyd.

“We’ll be performing the same record that we originally did with the HPO but it’ll definitely have a different flavour with the vocals,” adds McKay. “I won’t be playing the guitar and we’ll be having a nine piece orchestra with us. Our first time doing this a year ago was such a great night. We have the same arrangements from the album we released “Live Off the Floor at Hamilton Place with the HPO” but with Kori and Lisa singing there will be more harmonies and we’re going to pass the songs around. Jackson will add percussion on top of

the other two percussionists. So three people singing and maybe a drummer pounding a little harder to keep that cloud of music grounded. And with Supercrawl, there are a lot of exterior sounds happening that are the antithesis of the classical stage in a theatre. This is not a silent concert hall and we’re on stage in a parking lot with the din of people chatting. These are really sensitive arrangements but we’ve told Jackson to take those sensitive parts out and hopefully people will check us out. I love Supercrawl and proud to be a part of this. I love this being an outdoor daytime showcase. I’m bringing out our latest baby Flora for her first concert with our other two kids. It’s the perfect time for all of my friends and their kids to come and plop themselves down in front of the stage with some fries and a pop and then going home to bed. I’m looking forward to playing for people mostly under the age of ten. Think of the future of classical music? It’s like *Peter and the Wolf* all over again.”

Twin Within plays the Fireball/Exclaim! Stage at Supercrawl on Sunday September 15 at 5:30pm followed by Steve Strongman and the Hamilton Blues All-Stars at 7:15pm. Click on facebook.com/TwinWithinMusic or supercrawl.ca

THE REDHILL VALLEYS

The Redhill Valleys have been refining everything they do over the last five years mixing rock, pop, country and roots into a slick milieu. We

THE REDHILL VALLEYS



Photo by: Jen Squires

first learned of Danielle Beaudin as a solo artist but she'd collaborate with multi-instrumentalist Tim Allard and then she'd collaborate with bassist Chelsea McWilliams and the three would form the earliest core of the band. With their debut album released some three years ago, the band showed a lot of promise but they've been honing their craft on the live stage and with the latest incarnation of the band featuring drummer Matt Soliveri, the Redhill Valleys have developed into a hot commodity on the national festival circuit. That being said, a new album would be nice and a local show would be good — Redhill Valleys fans take note of both of those coming up.

"It's been quite a while since our debut so we're due for a new recording but we've gone through a lot of changes since then," says McWilliams. "An album is definitely in the works currently and we're definitely excited about that doing our first recordings with Matt and including everyone in that process is important."

"We've out out a couple of singles, last August "Take A Lot of Pain" and last February "Living In Yesterday", which has kind of been us reintroducing our band and our sound," adds McWilliams. "We've been playing a lot more live shows and get our names out there to a wider audience. It's been helpful so hopefully when we finally release something, there will be some ears curious about what we have to say."

Their sound and presentation has garnered the Redhill Valleys a lot of festival performances all the way to PEI and those gigs seem unending although they seem to be welcomed most readily in the new country world. As easily influenced by Tom Petty or Neil Young or Fleetwood Mac, it'll be interesting to see where The Redhill Valleys go as they return to Westmoreland Studios with producer Carl Jennings for an album that could be done as soon as 2020. No stranger to the big stage, the Redhill Valleys should make a splash at the big outdoor stage at Supercrawl.

"We're a live band more than a recording band but I think that's okay to have that edge and not just live on the Internet," says McWilliams. "We're old school and trying to make a really good live show and from that people will check us out. We're doing Travis Tritt shows but a lot of people are into the throwback country and that's worlds colliding because we love old traditional country and new country, we love rock so there are some country music festivals that have something for everybody. We've got a lot of new material that we play live and we're getting a lot of great feedback."

"It's funny because I feel what's left of the smaller stages in Hamilton, we've covered over the years so it's an honour to play the larger stages and we're excited about being asked to

play as part of Supercrawl," adds McWilliams. "We're just going to play some old songs but a lot of new songs and maybe some interesting covers. This is going to be our first big local show for a long time. It's going to be fun."

On Friday September 13 get your roots on at the Mohawk College Stage with Parry Sound transplant singer/songwriter Shawn Kerr at 6pm, new country duo Jess and Tay at 7:45pm. Hamilton blues legends Trickbag at 9:30pm and the Redhill Valleys at 11:15pm. Click on theredhillvalleys.com

SUPERCRAWL 2019

For all the hooplah of Supercrawl's three day weekend extravaganza, this year's festival has its sadder notes. Artword Artbar owners Ron Weihs and Judith Sandiford recently announced the decade long venue and theatre space will come to an end November 16 for its final concert. And with Halo Recording Studio officially moving to Augusta Street in the next month, it only underscores the listing of This Ain't Hollywood realtor listing is very real and that venue could come to an end rather soon. These are not good signs for our arts, culture and music scenes.

But at least James Street North still has Zyla's Music and Menu. Sadly, Nick Zyla recently announced that their Supercrawl weekend will mark the end of that venue. Done more for personal reasons, husband and wife Nick and Cat Zyla have run the place by themselves for the last five years and developed a distinct community of players and patrons for their quaint space. Zyla's added distinct character to James Street North. Alas, the work necessary has taken too much toll on the couple. So enjoy those venues while you can.

Supercrawl 2019 happens on James Street North this Friday September 13, 6pm-1am, Saturday September 14, 12pm-1am and Sunday September 15, 12pm-9pm. Indie-pop crooner Bahamas, Academy Award-winner Buffy Sainte-Marie and Canadian stage stalwarts Stars are headlining this year's Supercrawl with Steve Strongman bringing Jack de Keyzer and Harrison Kennedy up to close the festival with the Hamilton Blues All Stars. There is a ton of art and fashion - check that out at least while you can. Meanwhile, musically some highlights include.

DON VAIL'S "STAND OF TIDE"

For a decade, singer songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and producer Mitch Bowden has made use of his Mechanical Noise Studio in Dunnville and made music under the



moniker of Don Vail. At times, it's been a band but given a limitless amount of studio time to meticulously craft his songs, Bowden only releases music when the time is right. That's meant for some seriously scant output from the unit. The Don Vail debut came out in 2009 and was followed up some seven years later with *Fades*. Now some three years later, Don Vail returns with a new album and a live showcase as part of Supercrawl but it's probably not the start of a big performance schedule in the future. Bowden has been more of a studio hermit the last decade and doesn't seem poised to relinquish that title.

The recording sessions actually began with some bizarre recording competition that had Bowden travel to Ireland to begin sessions that obviously would be finished back at Mechanical Noise. Enlisting longtime drummer Victor Malang, as well as guitarist Matthew Fleming and keyboardist/vocalist Kori Pop, Bowden would complete the band's latest release.

"I like writing songs and getting weird sounds — the experimenting is the real attraction for me," says Bowden. "Creating something and if it takes eight or ten takes before it's right then I have the luxury of doing that. Sometimes that's great but sometimes it takes forever to put something out and not just obsess over something. That's where I think Victor, Kori and Matt come in and I can

bounce ideas off of them."

"The four of us played on the album in various capacities and we're bringing in Cam Malcolm to play bass for us," adds Bowden. "Lyrically, the album is pretty dark. *Fades* felt like a compilation but this album is a lot more cohesive as a body of work. I've never written happy songs and it has nothing to do whether I'm happy or not. I've always gravitated to the more melancholy side of things. I'm never going to write, "Walking on Sunshine".

Mixing textured harmonic layers with cutting edged riffage — maybe conjuring up his old math rock days with Sonic Unyon band Chore, *Stand of Tide* is a strong collection of songs that fans of Guided By Voices or the Shins or even the Cure could get into. While assuredly Bowden would want fans to welcome the new material, fans could hope for more shows but if you are a fan, you should check Don Vail out now.

"Music is too much a part of me, it'd be like cutting off my arm if I stopped writing and recording," says Bowden. "I have no interest in promoting singles on the Internet or doing anything like that. I love listening to albums and taking them in as a whole. I love music and don't think I'll ever stop making music. The hardest part about this band is that we all have our own lives and if we can keep regularly playing together, I'd love to, but we'll have to see."

"I've fallen out of love with a lot of the aspects with performing shows," confides Bowden. "I'm trying now to get back into it but it became such a stressful thing to not only write and record, which I enjoy but also to go out and present this visual aspect of it and 'entertain' — it's not why I do this. I've never been comfortable with live performance because there is this expectation that doesn't jive with the music. That said, we are trying to get out there and play the songs and enjoy it. We are super grateful to be playing Supercrawl. Hamilton has always been amazing to us and really receptive to the music for years. If we're going to get out and play, Hamilton is going to be the place. But I don't feel like a professional entertainer, this isn't an act. You're not going to get acrobatics or calling out to the crowd or anything like that. We're going to get up there on stage and enjoy ourselves. If you happen to be passing by, maybe you'll check us out." **V**

Don Vail plays Supercrawl Mohawk College Stage this Saturday September 14 7:45pm opening for two Hamilton based artists that already graced the cover of View... Catch Don Vail followed by the ethereal alt rock of London-come Toronto ex-patriot Ellis at 9:15pm and Guelph area immigrants Ellevator at 11:00pm. Click on facebook.com/donvail-music

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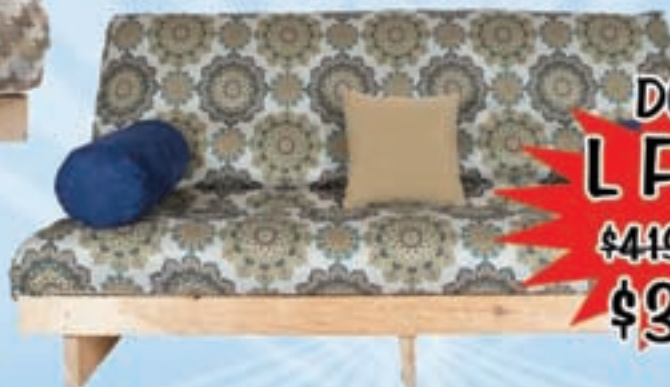
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Sept 12: Rebekah Hawker, & guests 8 pm
Sept 13: 6 - 8:45: pop-rock 3 bands 9:15 - 11:45: Beg To Differ
Sept 14: Rob Knaggs and Dave Gould, 6-9 pm
Sept 15: Bill Lutes & the Art Crawlers, 3-6 pm
Sept 19: Cantrip Celtic Trio, fiddle, guitar, pipes 8 pm
Sept 20: Tia McGraff and Tommy Parham, 8 pm
Sept 21: Clic-Clac Flamenco w. Juan D Toledo, 8 pm
Sept 22: Paul Lisson book launch, 4-6 pm
Sept 25: Ewan McIntyre Trio cowboy meets Celtic: 8 pm
Sept 26: Planet of the Loops w. Andrew Aldridge 8 pm
Sept 27: The Emily Kemp Quintet, w. Beelays 8 pm
Sept 28: Darrin and Alison Schott, 8 pm
Sept 29: J.P. Riemens book launch, 3-5 pm
Oct 4: James Gordon "Emergency Climate Musical" 8 pm
Oct 5: Jazz flute: Darcy Hepner & Colleen Allen 8 pm
Oct 6: Alison Hogan plus Leonard, Burns & Dell, 8 pm
Oct 10: Rae Billing and her band Crybaby, 8 pm
Oct 12: JAZZ Elena Kapeleris Quintet, w. Adrean Farrugia, Mike Malone, 8 pm
Oct 18: The Amy Project, Amy Winehouse songs, 8 pm
Oct 19: Latin American Peña w. Marcelo Puente, 8 pm
Oct 20: New Cumberland Bluegrass, 2 pm
Oct 24: Mark McNeil + Les Smith, 8 pm
Oct 25: Stuart Laughton's Radio Dial, 8 pm
Oct 26: Sophia Periman & Adrean Farrugia, 8 pm
Nov 1: Diana Braithwaite & Chris Whiteley, 8 pm
Nov 2: Emma Bjorling and Skye Consort, 3 & 8 pm
Nov 6-10: Steel City Jazz Fest
Nov 13-15: Artword Fest
Final - Nov 17: Hill Brothers Bluegrass, 8 pm

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Improv in a fun and supportive environment. \$10. • The Surprise Show. Hosted by Nicholas Wallace. Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 8pm. \$10. //Staircase Theatre, 27 Dundurn St. N.
THAT FILTHY SHOW • Hosted by David DJ Roy, featuring Al Val, Melo. Sept. 12, 9pm. \$10 //Levity Comedy Club, 120 King St. W.
UNCLE LOUIE VARIETY SHOW • Sept. 21, 8pm. • For tickets visit ticketmaster.ca //The Studio, 1 Summers Lane
WHOSE LIVE ANYWAY? • Showcases some of the improv games made famous on the long-running TV show as well as some exciting new ones. Cast members Ryan Stiles, Greg Proops, Jeff B. Davis, and Joel Murray will leave you gasping with the very witty scenes they invent before your eyes. Audience participation is key to the show so bring your suggestions and you might be asked to join the cast onstage. Sept. 18, 7:30pm. For tickets visit coreentertainment.ca //FirstOntario Concert Hall
YUK YUKS BURLINGTON • Sept. 6-7: Rob Pue, Dave Burke, Ben Bankas. • Sept. 13-14: Martha Chaves. • Sept. 20-21: Dom Pare. • Sept. 26-27: Jason Rouse, Sam Walker, Danny Martinello. • Oct. 4-5: Keith Pedro. • Oct. 11-12: Alex Wood. • Oct. 18-19: Dylan Gott, Melissa Story. • Oct. 25-26: Michael Harrison. • Oct. 31: Amateur Night. • Nov. 1-2: Dylan Mandlsohn. • Nov. 8-9: Kathleen McGee. • Nov. 15-16: Richard Ryder. Nov. 28: Amateur Night. • Nov. 29-30: Habib Siam. • Dec. 26: Amateur Night. • For info tickets visit yukyus.com. //380 Brant St., Burl.

FESTIVALS

BINBROOK FALL FAIR • Sept. 13-15. A full schedule of events will be available at binbrook-fair.org. //Binbrook Fairgrounds, 2600 Highway 56, Binbrook
FESTITALIA • A celebration of all things Italian. • Alpini Club Regional Dinner. Sept. 13, 6pm. //642 Barton St. E. • Fortino's Grape Stomp. Sept. 14, 2pm. //Fortino's, Mall Rd. • San Michele Arcangelo Salutes Festitalia Dinner. Sept. 14, 6pm. //St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, 304 Hwy #8. • Santa Croce di Magiano Regional Dinner. Sept. 15, 6pm. //Michaelangelo's, 1555 Upper Ottawa St. • Festitalia @ St. Joe's Hospital. Sept. 17, 10am-12pm. //Charlton Campus Atrium. • Federazione Abruzzese Regional Dinner. Sept. 18, 5:30pm. //Carmen's, 1520 Stone Church Rd. • Author's Night w/Trevor Cole-The Whiskey King. Sept. 18, 6:30pm. //Carmen's, 1520 Stone Church Rd. • Bocce Tournament. Sept. 21, 10am-4pm. //Venetian Club, 269 John St. N. • Festitalia Feeds the Good Shepherd. Sept. 25, 3-5pm. //135 Mary St. • The Order Sons of Italy Regional Dinner. Sept. 25, 6:30pm. //Sons of Italy Hall, 499 King St. E. • Sicilia Canta-"U Sceccu Vola". An evening of music, film, folklore, friends and a taste of Italy. Sept. 27, 5:30pm. //Liuna Station, 260 James St. N. • Festitalia with Hamilton Forge FC vs. Pacific FC. Sept. 28, 3:30pm. //Tim Horton's Field. • Pugliese Regional Dinner. Sept. 29, 6pm. //Michaelangelo's, 1555 Upper Ottawa St. • For tickets and info visit festitalia.ca.
SUPERCRAWL 2019 • Annual festival showcasing the intrinsic charm and cultural character of James Street North and host to music, art, dance and theatre from Hamilton and around the world. Includes art, fashion, vendors, food trucks, family, circus spectacle, talks and after-parties. • Headliners will include Bahamas, Buffy Sainte-Marie, Bettye LaVette, Stars, Fateh, and Hamilton Blues All-Stars. Supercrawl will again be collaborating with partner venues This Ain't Hollywood, Club Absinthe and Mulberry Coffeehouse to program even more great music in the week leading up to Supercrawl. • Sept. 13-15. For details visit supercrawl.ca //James N.
TELLING TALES 2019 • Telling Tales Festival is recognized as one of the key annual events in Canadian publishing, dedicated solely to children's literature. The 11th Annual Telling Tales Festival connects top Canadian artists with children and youth on September 15, 21 & 22. • Telling Tales Main Event features 10 performance stages—each designed to appeal to different audiences, with music and puppet stages for the very young, storytelling, visual storytelling, tweens, teens, illustration, talks, and workshops. Sept. 15, 10am-4pm. Free admission, however donations to literacy will be gratefully

accepted. Please visit website for information on free shuttle buses, and the parking situation. //Westfield Heritage Village, 1049 Kirkwall Rd., Rockton. • Celebrating Graphic Novels. Sept. 21, 1-3pm. Free. Geared towards youth aged 1-3pm. //Hamilton Public Library-Central Branch, 55 York Blvd. • Nature Tales. For ages 3 to 10. The theme of nature-literacy has been interwoven with our programming, where authors, artists, performers and RBG Ambassadors will engage with families in nature walks, crafts, and author readings. Sept. 22, 11am-4pm. Free access to the RBG grounds with a PWYC option-at donation. //Royal Botanical Gardens, 680 Plains Rd. W., Burlington. • For full festival line-up go to tellingtales.org.
THE ANCASTER FAIR 2019 • Sept. 19-22. For details visit ancasterfair.ca //Ancaster Fairgrounds, 630 Trinity Rd.
APPLE FESTIVAL • Enjoy a pancake breakfast, games, pumpkin decorating, demonstrations, entertainment, and don't forget to enter the Battlefield Bake-Off. For all ages. Free outdoor event. Regular admission rates apply to the museum. Sept. 28, 9am-4:30pm. //Battlefield House Museum & Park, 77 King W., Stoney Creek
BURLINGTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL • Mammalian Diving Reflex: Haircuts by Children. Sept. 28 & 29, 12-4pm. Free. //Community Studio Theatre. • Tales and Dances Around the Baobab. Sept. 28 & 29, 12pm. Free. //BPAC Plaza. • Amai Kudad et Les Bois. Sept. 28, 2pm. Free. //BPAC Plaza. • The PepTides. Sept. 28, 4pm. Free. //BPAC Plaza. • A Conversation with Dr. Terri-Lynn Brennan on the Land and Waters We Share. Sept. 28, 6pm. Free. //Community Studio Theatre. • Tom Wilson: Beautiful Scars. A Symphonic Literary Recital. Sept. 28, 8pm. \$34.50-\$60.50. //Main Theatre. • Osob Adus: Unity in Diversity-The Common Culture. Sept. 29, 2pm. Free. //Community Studio Theatre. • Halton Dance Network presents: heartBEATZ 2019. Sept. 29, 3pm. Free. //BPAC Plaza. • Sultans of String with Burlington Symphony Orchestra: A World of Music. Sept. 29, 4pm. \$34.50-\$39.50. //Main Theatre. • For more info visit burlingtonpac.ca. //BPAC 440 Locust St. 905.681.2551
TESLA ELECTRIC CITY FESTIVAL • Hosted at the Museum of Steam & Technology. An all-ages gathering of commercial exhibitors, tech enthusiasts, hobbyists, science clubs, artists and students. The event will feature demonstrations of products from across the spectrum of Tesla's innovations with electricity, tech exhibitors, musical entertainment and fun for the whole family. Families can also enjoy a free self-guided museum tour and catch a ride on the popular miniature steam trains presented by the Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers. Food trucks and vendors will also be on site. Sept. 29, 11am-5pm. Free. For more info visit hamilton.ca/steammuseum. //900 Woodward Ave.
BROTT MUSIC FESTIVAL • The Merry Widow. Oct. 3, 7:30pm. //FirstOntario Concert Hall. • Messiah. Dec. 2, 7:30pm. //West Highland Church. Dec. 3, 7:30pm. //St. Thomas the Apostle, Waterdown. • For tickets visit brottmusic.com
MAHATMA GANDHI PEACE FESTIVAL • Waging Action on Hate and Racism in Hamilton Conference. Inspired by the Gandhian values of nonviolence, well-being of all, and soul force (satyagraha). The conference will focus on an action agenda at the individual, community and institutional levels to counteract the spread of hate and build community solidarity. Oct. 4, 8:30am-5pm. Free. All are welcome. Lunch will be provided. Free required registration at <https://tinyurl.com/yyshotp>. • Ghandi-King-Mandela Peace March. Oct. 5, 11am-2pm. Music, speakers, free food. Bring your peace sign. Featured speaker: Bob Rae. //Hamilton City Hall. For details visit humanities.mcmaster.ca/gandhi //Hamilton City Hall, 71 Main St. W.
ROCKTON'S WORLD FAIR • Oct. 10-14. For details including a full schedule of events visit rocktonworldsfair.com //812 Old Highway 8, Rockton
STEEL CITY JAZZ FESTIVAL • Nov. 6-10. Schedule will be available soon at steelcityjazzfest.com

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GROWUP CONFERENCE & EXPO • Canada's largest cannabis grower's conference. Featuring keynote speaker entrepreneur and Dragon's Den judge Manjit Minhas, as well as over 160 speakers, over 60 panels, and a grow-at-home workshop. Sept. 12-14. Must be 19 years or older to attend. No cannabis will be available in any form at the show. For more info and to register visit growupconference.com. //Scotiabank Convention Centre, 6815 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls

MISSISSIPPI QUEEN SOUTHERN SUPPER SERIES • Features a set, southern menu paired with the musical talents of blues, and 'American Roots' musicians. • Sept. 13: Danny Brooks & Lil Miss Debi. • Sept. 19: Steve Groves. • Sept. 25: Greg Brisco. • Sept. 28: Jack De Keyzer. • Oct. 4: Sean Burns. • Oct. 17: Dan Walsh. • \$45 for meal and show. For more info, including menu details, visit mississippiqueenfoods.com or call 905.526.0909. //635 King St. E.

THE SANDERSON CENTRE • Brantford International Jazz Festival: The Willows. Sept. 13, 8pm. \$65. • George Canyon: Hit After Hit Tour. with guests Doc Walker and Charlie Major. Sept. 18, 8pm. \$58/\$48. • Brantford Symphony Orchestra: Una Stravaganza Musicale! Sept. 28, 7:30pm. • Elton Rohn. Oct. 3, 7:30pm. • Brace Yourself-Community Season Opener. Oct. 6, 7pm. • Classic Albums Live: Led Zeppelin IV. Oct. 12, 8pm. • Stories And Songs of Stompin' Tom. Oct. 17, 2pm. • Barbershop Convention. Oct. 18-19, 6pm. • Brantford Music Club presents Piano Six. Oct. 20, 7:30pm. • Live Is All You Need presents Ones-The Beatles #Hits. Oct. 25, 8pm. • Centennial Film Series-Casablanca. Oct. 27, 3pm. • Centennial Film Series-Jaws. Nov. 10, 3pm. • Country Christmas with The Walters Family and Jim Witter. Nov. 14, 2pm. • The Abrams. Nov. 16, 8pm. • Iain McKay-Violin. Nov. 24, 2pm. • The Men Of The Deep. Nov. 27, 2pm. • 2019 Holiday Magic Show. Dec. 2, 7pm. • Burton Cummings: Up Close And Alone. Dec. 4, 8pm. • Brantford Symphony Orchestra: More Christmas Bells. Dec. 7, 7:30pm. • Sultans of String-Christmas Caravan with Rebecca Campbell, Donné Roberts, Ken Whiteley. Dec. 13, 7pm. • The Ennis Sisters. Dec. 15, 3pm. • Gala Performance-The Tenors Wonder of Christmas Tour. Dec. 22, 7:30pm. • For tickets visit sandersoncentre.ca //Sanderson Centre, 88 Dalhousie St., Brantford

BOLLYWOOD BLUES • Raga Music School in collaboration with St. Andrews United Church presents an evening of Indian music featuring Bollywood. Sept. 14, 6pm. \$20. //Saint Andrews United Church, 479 Upper Paradise Rd.

BURLINGTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Southern Ontario Lyric Opera-The Marriage of Figaro. Sept. 15, 3pm. • Tom Wilson: Beautiful Scars. Sept. 28, 8pm. • **BPAC Cultural Diversity Festival.** Sept. 28-29. See Festival listings for details. • Sultans of String with Burlington Symphony Orchestra. Sept. 29, 4pm. • Sloan. Oct. 4, 8pm. • InstaChoir. Oct. 5, 7:30pm. • April Wine. Oct. 10, 8pm. • Lunch At Allen's. Oct. 11, 7:30pm. Charo: Hot Flamenco Night. Oct. 12, 8pm. • The Wiggles: Party Time Tour. Oct.



SLOAN perform on October 4, at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre and October 9 at the FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre, St. Catharines

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15,12:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm. • Legacy: A Tribute to Gord Downie. Oct. 17, 8pm. • Pigs: Canada's Pink Floyd. Oct. 19, 7:30pm. • Tomson Highway: Songs in the Key of Cree. Oct. 19, 7:30pm. • The Joshua Show. Oct. 24, 6:30pm. • Mary Wilson of The Supremes. Oct. 24, 8pm. • Lion Bear Fox. Oct. 25, 7:30pm. • And G and Friends 'Our Cat Flash' Children's Music Show. Oct. 26, 10:30am, 2:30pm. • Ones-The Beatles' #1 Hits. Oct. 26, 8pm. • Max Weinberg's Jukebox. Oct. 27, 7pm. • The Rocky Horror Acoustic Show. Oct. 31, 8pm. • Ken Lavigne: 3 Knights with a Tenor. Nov. 1, 8pm. • Vanessa Marie Carter with Evan Farrell. Nov. 1, 7:30pm. • Classic Albums Live: Supertramp-Breakfast In America. Nov. 2, 8pm. • Burlington Symphony Orchestra: Russian Treasures. Nov. 3, 3pm. • Snap. Seriously funny magic, slapstick comedy & ingenious visual effects with South Korea's most illustrious illusionists. Nov. 5-6, 7:30pm. • Mariachi Herencia De México. Nov. 9, 8pm. • The Man in Black-A Tribute to Johnny Cash. Nov. 10, 7pm. • The Abrams. Nov. 14, 7:30pm. • Tiffany. Nov. 14, 8pm. • More Legends of Motown. Nov. 16, 8pm. • Festival of Trees. Nov. 20-Dec. 21. • Sinatra with Matt Dusk. Nov. 22, 8pm. • Sesame Street Live! C Is For Celebration. Nov. 24, 2pm, 6pm. • The Men Of The Deeps: Christmas in the Mine. Nov. 29, 8pm. • What The World Needs Now with Wendy Lands. Nov. 30, 7:30pm. • Emilie-Claire Barlow: Winter Lights. Dec. 1, 7:30pm. • Burton Cummings: Up Close and Alone. Dec. 3, 8pm. •

Burlington Symphony Orchestra: A Christmas Spectacular. Dec. 8, 3pm. • Wonderful World of Christmas-Comeback. Dec. 13, 8pm. • Buzz Brass Christmas with Elmer Iseler Singers. Dec. 14, 8pm. • The Andy Kim Christmas. Dec. 21, 8pm. • For more info visit burlingtonpac.ca. //BPAC 440 Locust St. 905.681.2551

PlanB CABARET-A NIGHT OF WORDS, MUSIC AND GENERAL CONSTERNATION • A night of storytelling, music-making, creative expression, and community-building. Presenters will be asked to prepare something between 5-10 minutes in length on the theme of "PlanB." Hosted by Ralph Benmurgui, featuring Tony Vieiram, Jeff Mahoney, Kyle Broox, Kristi Boulton, John Terpstra. Sept. 15, 7:30pm. Free. //The Staircase, 27 Dundurn St. N.

SOMETHING ELSE! FALL CONCERT SERIES • Zula BBQ: NAIL with duos Drake/Keravec, Baars/Heneman, Mercury. Sept. 15, 4-8pm. //Zula House, 80 West Avenue N. • Tatsuya Nakatani Solo. Oct. 23, 7pm. //Zula House, 80 West Avenue N. • François Houle, James Meger, Joe Sorbara. Nov. 16, 8pm. //Zula House, 80 West Avenue N. • Nick Fraser Trio. Nov. 30, 8pm. //Rock on Locke, 320 Charlton Ave. W. • Suggested donation \$15 or PWYC. Contact cem@zulapresents.org to reserve.

BATTLE OF THE BLADES • Hosted by Ron MacLean, and featuring Kurt Browning as head judge. Sept. 19, 7pm, Sept. 26, 8pm, Oct. 3, 8pm. \$10 (inclusive of all taxes and fees). • For more info and tickets visit coreentertainment.ca

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ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS • Chrysanthemum and Dahlia Show. Sept. 14, 12:30-6pm, Sept. 15, 10am-3pm. • **After Dark: On the Rocks.** Blooms, Brews & BBQ. Grab a cold one while our house DJ provides a rock n roll soundtrack to an unforgettable evening at the legendary Rock Garden. 19+ event. Event tickets required. Sept. 19, 7:30pm. • **Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System BioBlitz and Plant Sale.** Join an enthusiastic team of EcoPark System partners, friends and the public for our third annual Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System BioBlitz to document the biodiversity in the area. Become a citizen scientist for an afternoon, join local experts a guided hike. Sept. 20-21. //Arboretum. • **Speaker Series.** The Next Level Veggies. Sept. 26, 7-8:30pm. Member-exclusive event. • **Celebrating the Legacy of Thomas Baker McQueen: A Symposium.** an afternoon of informative presentations and lively discussions on the times, legacy, and many projects of The Hon. Thomas Baker McQueen (1882-1948). Oct. 6, 1-4pm. //Rock Garden • **WNED/WBFO Antiques Home Show.** a local, non-televized event using local expert appraisers. For one day only, community members are invited to bring antiques to be verbally evaluated by an expert. Oct. 20, 8:30am-4pm. Tickets required. This is a third party event; tickets and information are not available through RBG. Please contact the event organizers with any questions. • The Great Pumpkin Trail. Hundreds

of jack-o-lanterns light your way along our garden and South Bridle Trail. Enjoy live entertainment, face painting and pumpkin-themed activities and games. Oct. 24-25. • **Tea Festival.** Sample different varieties from around the world. From green to roibos, oolong to herbal and everything in between, learn all about your favourite types of tea with tastings and educational presentations. Nov. 9-10, 10am-4pm. • For details, costs, tickets and to register for events, visit www.rbg.ca //RBG Centre, 680 Plains Rd. W., Burlington.

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT • An annual event organized by SACHA, — Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton & Area) — is a powerful opportunity for all woman-identified individuals to actively build connections, assertively reclaim our right to safety, and courageously stand up against violence. Sept. 19. //Hamilton City Hall, 71 Main St.

CHEZ DINE EVENTS • Curated Curry. An evening of Art and Curry hosted by Smith&Patel A Retrospective Show, with original works by Sanjay Patel. The show takes a look at pieces created in and/or inspired by Hamilton. Some were created in studio, some at live events, at the beach, in the park, at event spaces, galleries and dance parties. Each ticket includes a a curated 6 course dining experience, a preview of the show, and a painting of your choice. Sept. 20. \$100. //1422 Main St. E. • **Iron Beer Maidens Beer Fest.** Hamilton's own Iron Beer Maidens are inviting all rad ladies, and those that self identify as a rad lady, to be a continuing part of Hamilton's first all ladies beer league with their next event being held on Sept. 21, 7-11pm at Grain & Grit West Hamilton. Please visit iron-beermaidens.com for more details. • Visit chez-dine.ca for more info and a complete schedule of Chez Dine events.

THE HAMILTON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA • **Mainstage/FirstOntario Concert Hall Concerts:** Sept. 21: Radiant Ravel. • Oct. 19: Mozart & Mendelssohn. • Nov. 9: A Canadian Brass Salute. • Dec. 21: The Snowman. • **Seniors' Talk and Tea:** Enjoy a late morning tea and scrumptious treat while exploring the stories behind the famous composers and music featured in HPO's mainstage concerts. Join Composer-in-Residence Abigail Richardson-Schulte for these fascinating talks. Then, make your way to the orchestra level of the Great Hall for a behind-the-scenes peek at an HPO rehearsal. \$12. Sept. 20: Radiant Ravel. Oct. 18: Mozart & Mendelssohn. • **Family Concerts:** Oct. 27, 2pm: Marz Homes Family Concert: The Composer is Dead. //McIntyre Performing Arts Centre. • For more info, registrations and tickets visit hpo.org

HAUNTED HAMILTON EVENTS • Ghost Tour of Downtown Hamilton with Spooky Stephy. Sept. 20. • Haunted City Bus Tour with Spooky Stephy. Experience Hamilton's most haunted locations all aboard a luxury bus. Sept. 21 • Cannon Knitting Mills Haunted Tour & Paranormal Investigation. Sept. 28, 8:30-11pm. • 2019 Halloween Costume Ball. Oct. 26. • For more info and tickets visit haunted-hamilton.com

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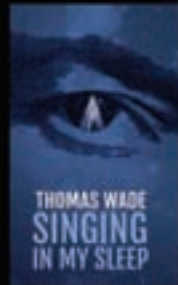
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FILM-MAKER TURNED BAND leader turned television and radio talk show host, Cadillac Bill Boyd-Wilson has donned many a hat over the last three decades but recently he decided to add author to his resume and that culminates this weekend with the release of his book *Downton Alley*. With distinctly different tastes, Cadillac Bill was renown for his "Awful Evening Out" showcases that taunted attendees as much as titillated them. He's continued that same vibe with his television broadcasting and his book is based on "A Rat Tale of Hamilton" so be forewarned.

"I had invited local artist and taxidermist Ankixa Risk to be an interview guest on the *Cadillac Bill Show* and I was surrounded by all of these rats and they were all dressed up," recalls Boyd-Wilson. "They got my mind going and I thought I had to use them in some movie or something. But then I thought, everyone I know watches *Downton Abbey*, why not do a spoof on that using the rats? I'd never personally watched the show but the scripts were easy to download from the Internet. We made some sets and costumes and I re-wrote and shortened the scripts for season one to be seven minute shows. A year after I made it, a couple of the episodes I spoofed ended up being on TV and I realized that the voice actors that did my rats were way better with more emotion."

Boyd-Wilson enlisted Hamilton notables like Lori Yates, Tim Gibbons, Ginger St. James, Sammy Squid, Chaos Divine and more for the voice over work with the only English people involved being Boyd-Wilson and his cousin. Filmed in the Stinson Neighbourhood, Boyd-Wilson was thrilled with the seven episodes he created. *The Downton Alley* saga would be incorporated into the later seasons of the *Cadillac Bill Show* — seventy episodes that aired for the last six years on Cable 14 but is also available via Amazon Live, Sony TV, iTunes, YouTube and more in Australia, Russia and the show is being translated into French, German, Japanese and Chinese.

"I don't know if I'm an international star but I do know that the whole world is learning about Hamilton," says Boyd-Wilson. "I get emails from around the world from people that say they want to come to Hamilton just because of my TV show. I think Hamilton Tourism should know about me

because I'm doing my part on getting Hamilton known worldwide — the seedy, dark, underground... the fun side of Hamilton.

"I took a year off from the show and season five became the behind the scenes worst of the *Cadillac Bill Show* and two episodes were the making of *Downton Alley*," adds Boyd-Wilson. "I filmed all the actors voicing their characters so we've got that as well. But a friend suggested that I should make a coffee table book of this. I used a high quality camera

fortunately so we just used freeze frames from that so it's more like a graphic novel with photos instead of drawings. Each book is numbered and I'll be happy to sell people this limited edition pressing that could be worth a lot of money some day... maybe."

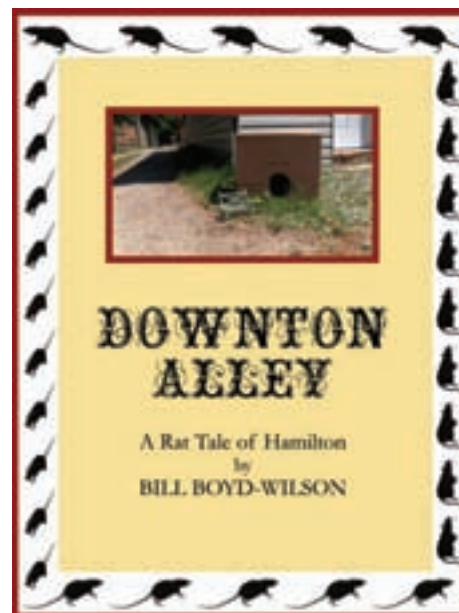
For the people that appreciate a different side of Hamilton, Cadillac Bill brings you visuals, reading material and live music to entertain and there seems there is little that will stop his creative thrust.

"To celebrate the new book we've got a giant screen at the Casbah where we'll have the seven episodes playing and then we'll play the behind the scenes footage of the *Making of Downton Abbey*," says Boyd-Wilson. "It'll be somewhat of a film night. My book will be there, I will be there and most of the people who did the voices will be there

so it'll be a bit of a party. It'll be a dynamite night — a good clean evening of crazy movies and people can check out the book. Normally I'll sell the book for more but at this show, it's only \$20.

"Then Cadillac Bill and the Creeping Bent will play a live show," adds Boyd-Wilson. "It'll be the first time we play the Lazy Flamingo in Hess Village so we're excited. So you can see my book and then see my crazy band. If you can't make the book launch come and see the band or come to the Casbah grab some dinner and then come to the Flamingo. There will be smoke, bubbles, fire and chord changes — rock and roll really. Can you imagine a better night?" **V**

Cadillac Bill's "Downton Alley" book launch happens this Saturday September 14 at the Casbah from 6pm to 8pm. Admission is \$5 and books are \$20. Then Cadillac Bill and the Creeping Bent play the Lazy Flamingo from 9pm to 2am and there is no cover. Click on cadillacbill.ca



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HAMILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY • Noon Hour Concerts. Fridays at noon. Sept. 13: Swinget. Sept. 20: Dave Gould. Sept. 27: Sound Art by Dave Gould. Oct. 4: HPO Violin Duo. Oct. 11: Guitar Hamilton Community Showcase. Oct. 18: HPO Brass Duo. Oct. 25: Darcy Mitchison. //Central. • Book Folding.** Sept. 12, 2pm. //Terryberry. • Craft Circle. Sept. 12, 19, 26, 1:30pm. //Dundas • Keep Calm and Craft On. Sept. 12, 19, 26, 2pm. //Binbrook • Button-Making Workshop. Sept. 13, 10am. //Central • Colouring Circle. Sept. 13, 20, 27, 10:30am. //Red Hill • Chinese Film Festival, Sunday Sept. 15, 1pm. //Central • Discover Labrador [photographic tour]. Sept. 16, 6:30pm. //Sherwood • Podcast Club [discuss September playlist from PodcastBrunchClub.com]. Sept. 16, 2pm. //Ancaster; Sept. 18, 2pm. //Central; or Sept. 25, 6:30pm. //Stoney Creek • Special Investigations Unit Series. Sept. 17, 6:30pm: *The Science* //Saltfleet. Sept. 30, 2pm: *How it Operates* //Central • Cross Stitch Club. Sept. 17, 24, 2pm. //Kenilworth • Art Club. Sept. 17, 24, 1:30 pm. //Central • True Crime Meetup. Sept. 17, 6:30pm. //Saltfleet • Book Launch: Melodie Campbell. Sept. 17, 7pm. //Waterdown • Drawing Flamingos Workshop. Sept. 17,

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CONCESSION STREET EVENTS • Concession Fallfest. Celebrate the start of our autumn solstice with free live music, horse and wagon rides, a fundraising corn roast (and other Fall treats), shopping and much more. Oct. 5, 10am-4pm. • Taste of Concession. A guided tour of some of the best food Concession Street has to offer. Each stop will offer an introduction to the owner/head chef, a taste platter of the restaur-

ateur's food and live music accompanying us throughout the tour. We will have approximately 15 minutes at each stop. Ticket proceeds will be donated to Food 4 Kids. Our food establishments will be generously donating their food and time for this exciting event. Oct. 16, 6-9pm. For tickets call 289.933.8899. • Halloween Parade. The annual costume parade kicks off at the Concession Branch Public Library. Halloween treats along the way. Enter your pre-carved, decorated jack o'lanterns for a chance to win some amazing Concession prize packs. Oct. 26, 11am-2pm. • Winter Solstice. Free parking along Concession from Nov. 24-Dec. 31 (2 hour maximum). Breakfast with Santa: Dec. 7 at St. Stephens on the Mount Anglican Church. \$6 child/\$10/adult. For tickets call 289.933.8899. Limited seats. • For more info visit concession-street.ca

DUNDAS STUDIO TOUR • This year's theme is Rhythms. Oct. 5-6, 10am-5pm. Free. For details, including a tour map, visit dundasstudiotour.com

BUCKET LIST BAND CONCERT • "Blues forged in the Hammer", Hamilton's Bucket List performs live. Oct. 6, 2-4pm. \$15 at the door. //West Plains United Church, 549 Plains Rd. W.

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ACOUSTIC BLEND CAFE • Each show starts with an open mic. Oct. 13: Andy Griffiths. Nov. 9: Nicole Lisa Craig. \$14 advance/\$18 at the door, or \$35 for two. • To participate in the open mics email acousticblendcafe@gmail.com. For info and advance tickets visit acousticblendcafe.com. //86 Homewood Ave.

CARMEN'S DINNER THEATRE • Johnny Cash & Jerry Lee Lewis Tribute Show. Lunch & Dinner shows. Oct. 16. • Jersey Nights. Lunch & Dinner shows. Nov. 27. • Elvis Jingle & Rock. Lunch & Dinner Shows. Dec. 4. • Elton Rohn. Dinner show. Dec. 10. • Abbanania with Cher Tribute Show. Lunch Show. Dec. 11. • Abbanania: Special Guests Night Fever. Dinner Show. Dec. 11. • That's My Drag. Dinner show. Dec. 18. • "Let It Be": Music of The Beatles featuring The Caverners. Lunch and Dinner shows. Dec. 19. • New Year 2020: Roaring Twenties Bash. Ticket inclusive of dinner, full bar and entertainment. Dec. 31. • For more info visit carmens.com //Carmen's Dinner Theatre, 1520 Stone Church Rd. E.

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HCA CONCERT SERIES • Penderecki Quartet with Arthur Rowe. Oct. 20, 2pm. • Florian Hoefner Trio. Oct. 25, 7pm. • For tickets visit [//Hamilton Conservatory For The Arts, 126 James St. S.](http://hcart.ca.905-528-4020)

FALL FOR BEER • In support of the Mark Preece Family House. Enjoy beers from Nickel Brook, Wellington and Beau's. Wonderful food will be provided by Charred, The BBQ Gourmet and Cause & Effect. Oct. 24, 6:30-10pm. Tickets are \$100 and attire is casual. For more info or tickets contact 905.529.0770, email info@markpreecehouse.ca or visit [**SWING OUT TO VICTORY DINNER & DANCE** • Featuring the Toronto All-Star Big Band performs nostalgic tunes from the 1930s and '40s. Feel the spirit of the 1940s as we dance among the vintage aircraft of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. Dressing in vintage fashions and Allied Forces uniforms of the 1940s is strongly encourage but not necessary. Nov. 16, doors 5:30pm, dinner 6:30pm. Dance only guests 8pm, band 9pm-1am. \\$75 Dinner and Dance tickets, or \\$35 Dance only tickets. For details and tickets visit \[warplane.com\]\(http://warplane.com\) or call 905.679.4183 x220. //Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, 9280 Airport Road, Mount Hope](http://markpreecehouse.ca/Leander Boat Club, 50 Leander Dr.</p>
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BURLINGTON CIVIC CHORALE • Angels Among Us. This concert features the works of Valph Vaughan Williams, Sarah Quartel, Eric Whitacre, Patrick Hawes and Gabriel Fauré. Nov. 23, 7:30pm. \$25. For tickets call 905.577.2425. For more info visit [//St. Christopher's Anglican Church, 662 Guelph Line, Burl.](http://burlingtoncivicchorale.ca)

CROONER'S CHRISTMAS • Featuring Andrew Martin and his three-piece band. Enjoy crooner classics dating from the '50s all the way to the modern Christmas tunes you love to hear during the holiday season. Dec. 8, 3pm. \$40. For tickets visit [//Westdale Theatre, 1014 King St. E.](http://thewestdale.ca)

THE BIG SING • Enjoy a delightful concert and a carol sing-along, performed by Strata Vocal Ensemble and enjoy live music with hot cider and treats. Dec. 13, 7-9pm. \$10 per person or @0 per family. For tickets email fieldcote@hamilton.ca. Limited seating. //Ancaster Old Town Hall, 310 Wilson St. E.

ARTS

ART GALLERY OF BURLINGTON • Exhibits: • Eruptions. Until Oct. 27. • The Gender Conspiracy. Artists: Cassils, Michèle Pearson Clarke, Dayna Danger, Raven Davis, Jah Grey, Samra Habib, Manghoo Lassi, Kama La Mackerel, Kent Monkman, Wynne Neilly & Kyle Lasky, Jocelyn Reynolds, Chase Joynt & Kristen Schilt, Vivek Shraya, Adrian Stimson, Chase Joynt & Tanja Tiziana, and Syrus Marcus Ware. The Gender Conspiracy is an Open Letter to the Trans and Gender Diverse communities in the GTHA to express allyship in furthering the discourse on gender fluidity and identity, sexual orientation, same-sex relationships, and consent to promote the mental health and safety of all LGBTQI2S* communities. Until Dec. 31. • Permanent Collection Corridor: Quebec: A Different Drummer. Ongoing. • Events: Family Sunday Open Studio. Every Sunday, 1-4pm. Free. All welcome. • For more info visit [//AGB, 1333 Lakeshore Rd.](http://artgalleryofburlington.com)

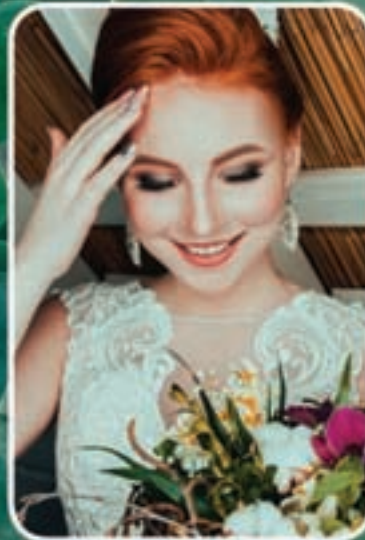
ART GALLERY OF HAMILTON • Exhibits: Gallery Level One • My Back Pages: The Art of Zines. and Indie Publishing. Until Nov. 10. • The Collection Continues: A Quarter Century of Collecting. Until Jan. 5, 2020. • THIS IS SERIOUS: Canadian Indie Comics. Until Jan. 5, 2020. • Alookook Ipellie: Walking Both Sides of an Invisible Border. Sept. 28-Jan. 5. • Level Two • Navigating Progress: Hind vs. Hind. Until Sept. 29. • Milli: A Celebration of Style. Until Feb. 9, 2020. • In Residence: Reitzenstein. Until Mar. 29, 2020. • The Collection. Permanent Installation. • Kim Adams: Bruegel-Bosch Bus. Permanent display. • The Jean and Ross Fischer Gallery. Cootes Paradise: A Place Above All Others. Until Dec. 1. • Tours: Enjoy a guided tour, free with admission, by one of our specially trained Docents. For individuals and groups smaller than 10. Tours last approximately 40 minutes. Every Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday & Statutory Holiday at 1:00 pm. • Family Fun Day. Sept. 29, 1-3:30pm. • Free Friday. Explore all of the exhibitions on view for free on the first Friday of every month. With extended hours until 8:00 pm and free performances and activities each month, there's no better time to experience the AGH. • Events: Author Talk: Ageism in Fashion—A time for Change with Eva Klein. Sept. 19. Tour at 6pm, Talk at 7pm. Tickets required. • AGH Film Festival—Trailers & Teasers. Sept. 26, 7-10pm. Free admission. • October Free Friday: Mini Opening of Alookook Ipellie: Walking Both Sides of an Invisible Border. Oct. 4, 11am-8pm. Free admission. • AGH Film Festival. A 10-day city-wide celebration of cinema. \$12/film, \$200 for an Early-Bird Festival Pass. • For details and tickets visit [//123 King W. 905.527.6610](http://artgalleryofhamilton.com)

ARTCRAWL • Second Friday night of every month @ 7pm, all galleries in the area display their new art. For more info visit jamesstreetnorth.ca

ART IN THE WORKPLACE 30TH EXHIBIT OPENING • Our feature artist, Eileen Romaker, and the works of over 120 local artists have transformed The Atrium @ McMaster Innovation Park. On display until Oct. 29 with free

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admission on weekdays from 8am to 6pm. • artintheworkplace.ca //175 Longwood Rd. S. 905-667-5500

CARNEGIE GALLERY • Main Gallery Exhibits: Lorne Toews: Painting Artists, portraits. Until Sept. 29. • Maureen Steuart: Two Sisters: One Garden, prings; Maria Moldovan: Clay Metaphors, ceramics. Oct. 4-25. Opening Reception: Oct. 4, 7-9:30pm. • Janice Kova, paintings; Frieda Pereira, ceramics. Nov. 1-22. Opening Reception: Nov. 1, 7-9:30pm. • **Events:** Carnegie Concert Series. Sept. 21, 8pm: Lynne Hanson. Nov. 23, 8pm: Wayne Krawchuk and the Pine Street Gentlemen. \$92 + hst for subscription, \$23 + hst individual ticket in advance. • Lecture: Rubens Revealed. An illustrated talk by Regina Haggio. Sept. 26, 7-8pm. \$10 members/\$12 non-members. • The Liberated Landscape: An illustrated talk with Regina Haggio. Oct. 24, 7-8pm. \$10 members/\$12 non-members. • Blues & Beer Concert featuring celebrated blues guitarist Jack de Keyzer. Oct. 26, 8pm. \$25.00 in advance/\$30 at door. • Arts Dundas Weekend. Oct. 31-Nov. 3. See website for details. • Carnegie Bus Excursion. Call Gallery for details. Nov. 2. • Adventures in Technique and Colour: An illustrated talk with Mita Giacomini. Nov. 14, 7-8pm. \$10 members/\$12 non-members. • Carnegie Christmas Market. Featuring the fine art and craft of over 100 Artist Members and Christmas Vendors. Nov. 30-Dec. 31. Open House Nov. 30, 10am-5pm. • Christmas Chamber Concert with Nancy Cassels and Friends. Dec. 22, 3-4pm. Free. • For tickets and info visit carnegiegallery.org //The Carnegie Gallery, 10 King W., Dundas, 905.627.4265

CENTRE3 FOR PRINT AND MEDIA ARTS • Exhibits: Print And Resistance: Print Media And Social Movements. Until Sept. 28. • Lost Illusions. A sculptural, audiovisual installation about the moments of tranquility and solitude that resonate when being truly present with the natural landscape. Until Oct.3. Opening Reception: Sept. 13, 7-10pm with live performance at 9pm. • centre3.com • Centre3 Gallery, 173 James St. N.

DUNDAS VALLEY SCHOOL OF ART • Exhibits: With Sounds of Hands. Features the work of Ioana Dragomir, Melika Hashemi, Maxwell Hyett, Zana Kozomora and Christie Shen. Until Sept. 30. • **Events:** Artist Talk: Julia Veenstra. Oct. 22, 10:30am. Free. No registration required. • Family Art Day Halloweenbaloo. We'll have the whole family ready for pumpkins, ghouls and broomsticks with studios full of hair-raisingly fun art projects. Oct. 27, 1:30-4:30pm. Free. No registration required. • Little Black Frame Mystery Art Night. Listen for your name to be drawn and then choose your favourite from over 150 stunning art pieces all showcased in a little black frame. Created by established and emerg-

ing artists, you won't know who made your masterpiece until it's in your hands. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, music, art, mystery. Nov. 9, 7pm in the DVSA studio loft. Tickets will be available late September. • Artist Talk: Dagmar Vrkljan, speaks about the work, influence and legacy of her father, renowned Czech artist Vojtěch Kubasta. Nov. 17, 1pm. Free. No registration required. • Artist Talk: Magdolene Dykstra. Nov. 19, 10:30am. Free. No registration required. • Family Art Day Holiday Hoopla. Take part in a festive afternoon of art-full activities. Designed for beginners to advanced students of all ages, this is a unique opportunity to create alongside one another in a variety of disciplines from painting to pottery. Drop in, no registration required. Dec. 8, 1:30-4:30pm. Free. No registration required. • dvsa.ca //DVSA, 21 Ogilvie, Dundas

EARLS COURT GALLERY • Exhibits: Where the Sky Touches Land: Laura Culic & Jessica Masters. Sept. 12 -Oct. 19. Opening Reception: Sept. 12, 7-9pm • Ron Eady. Oct. 24-Nov. 23. Opening Reception: Oct. 24, 7-9pm. • Count 10: Earls Court Gallery Celebrating 10 Years on Ottawa St. N. Featuring Wayne Moore, Christopher Reid Flock, Gordon Leverton, Peter Barelkowski, Natalya Kuzmina, Victoria Pearce, Mary Philpott, David Shepard, John Ford, Aleda O'Connor. Nov. 28-Jan. 4. Opening Reception: Nov. 28, 7-9pm. • For more info visit earlscourtgallery.ca //Earls Court Gallery 215 Ottawa N.

FACTORY MEDIA CENTRE • Exhibits: Natalie Hunter: Sensations of breathing at the sound of light. Sept. 13-Oct. 4. • For more info visit factorymediacentre.ca or call 905.577.9191. //228 James St. N.

541 EATERY & EXCHANGE • Punching the Clock - Working to Wrestle in Hamilton. Art by Dave Kuruc. Curated by Tara Burse. Until Nov. 1. //541 Barton St. E.

THE GALLERY ON THE BAY • A Carnival. New prints by Rober Creighton. Until Oct. 13. • Barry Coombs. New acrylics. Oct. 18-Nov. 10. Opening Reception: Oct. 18 7-10pm. • Barry Hodgson. New paintings. Nov. 15-Dec. 15. Opening Reception: Nov. 15, 7-10pm. • galleryonthebay.com. 905.627.4265 //231 Bay N.

HAMILTON ARTISTS INC. • Exhibits: To see and see again. Jana Omar Elkhatib, Alex Jacobs-Blum, Rajee Paña Jeji Shergill, Felix Kalmenson, Jinyoung Kim, and Zinnia Naqvi. Until Nov. 2. • Minding the Archive. Derek Jenkins, Tyler Matheson, and Alex Murphy. Until Nov. 2. • Narhi Wasagabiich. Catherine Blackburn. Until May 2020. • Domestic Brew: Craft Beer Garden. Ongoing. • **Events:** I see in the sea a sea. Performance by Jana Omar Elkhatib. Sept. 14, 8pm. • Supercrawl Festival-extended gallery hours. Sept. 13, 4-11pm. Sept. 14, 12-11pm. Sept. 15, 12-5pm. • Panel Discussion. Conversation between Alex Jacobs-Blum and Jinyoung Kim, moderated by Abedar Kamgari. Oct. 5, 2-4pm. • An Ethic for New Soil.

Performance by Felix Kalmenson. Oct. 19, 2-4pm. • Quirky Art Fair. A curated pop-up art, craft and design market that will feature makers whose works are unconventional, experimental, political, avant-garde, or all-around weird and quirky. Nov. 8-9. • For more info visit theinc.ca //155 James St. N.

HAMILTON CONSERVATORY FOR THE ARTS • Exhibits: So In Zany! Photographs of Ted Basciano taken by 17+ photographers. Sept. 13-Oct. 12. Opening Reception: Sept. 20, 7-9:30pm. • For info visit hcarts.ca. 905-528-4020. //Hamilton Conservatory For The Arts, 126 James St. S.

HAMILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY • Central Library 1st Floor Sept.: Dave Gould. Oct.: Robin McKee. Nov.: Clara Laratta. Dec.: L'Arche. • **Central Library Gallery4 Annex** Oct.: Tom Reaume. Nov.: Gemma Whelbourn. • **Gallery Barton** Sept/Oct/Nov: Victoria Martin. • **Gallery Dundas** Sept/Oct/Nov: Lee Munn. • **Gallery Stoney Creek** Sept/Oct/Nov: Katia Perez Mendez. • **Gallery Turner Park** Sept/Oct/Nov: Mary Corderio

KIRKLAND LYNCH STUDIO GALLERY • Exhibits: Eric Allen Montgomery- Dimensions May Vary: Explorations in Assemblage Art from Wearable to Wall Mounted. Until Oct. 13. • Original stained glass designs by Siobhan Lynch, oil paintings and drawings by Peter Kirkland. • Gallery Hours: Tues-Sat 11am-5pm. • siocreations.com, peterkirkland.com //654 Spring Gardens Rd., Burlington.

MCMASTER MUSEUM OF ART • Exhibits: It Is From Here That The World Unfolds: The Levy Collection. Until Dec. 14. • Peripheral Vision[s]. Perspectives on the "Indian" image by 19th century Northern Plains warrior-artists, Leonard Baskin, and Fritz Scholder. Until Dec. 20. • Instruments of Exchange: Coins from Antiquity to Today. Sept. 12-Aug. 20, 2020. • Artist Garden: The Boat Project/everythingwillbefine. Canadian artist Ernest Daetwyler will build a site-specific work in the Museum's Artist Garden this summer. He will transform pieces of driftwood into a boat form, embedded with a steelcut text message, creating an environment for both active engagement and reflection. Until 2020. • Antiquities. The Museum's Togo Salmon Gallery has been rededicated as a space to showcase exclusively McMaster's collection of antiquities. Ongoing. • Susan Detwyler: Seed Pack. Ongoing. • The Vishniac Coin Collection - Numismatic Traditions from Antiquity to Present. Ongoing. • **Events:** Opening Receptions for all three new exhibits: Sept. 12, 6-8pm. • Concert-Night of Indigenous Music: Cris Derksen and néhiyawak. Sept. 26, 7-9pm. • Guided tours for Culture Days. Tour all the museum's new exhibitions, then go behind-the-scenes into vaults. No registration required. Sept. 27-28, 12:30-1:20pm. • Admission to all exhibitions and events is free. For more info call 905.525.9140x23081 or visit museum.mcmaster.ca //McMaster Museum of

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PAUL ELIA GALLERY • paulelia.ca, 905.96.8850. //1167 Cannon St. E.
SEATON STUDIO & GALLERY • Exhibits: Birds Adapted for Flight or Fancy, Juried Show. Until Oct. 26. • Art in Action. Nov. 2-3. • AGOG December Glass Show. Nov-Dec. • Gallery features Teresa's newest stained glass creations as well as some of the best regional artists on a two month rotating basis. • Open Weds-Sat 11am-5pm, Sun-Tues by appointment. For info visit teresaseaton.ca, 905.510.5030. //652 Spring Gardens Rd., Burl.
TRUE NORTH GALLERY/THE MUSIC GALLERY • On display and available for sale are over 100 one-of-a-kind original, and rare limited edition art by both world famous, and not so famous musicians, whose creativity is equally evident in their art as it is in their music. • Access to the gallery is by invitation or appointment only. For info visit truenorth.gallery. //Griffin House-Arts Culture & Innovation Business Centre, 23 Griffin St., Waterdown

WORKERS ARTS & HERITAGE CENTRE • Exhibits: They Built for Eternity. A group exhibition that shares the stories of migrant construction workers and laments the human cost of labour in the global economy. Sept. 13- Dec. 13. Opening Reception: Sept. 13, 7-9pm. • **Permanent Galleries.** All Together Now! Banners From the Permanent Collection. • Nine to Five: A History of Office Work. • Custom House History & The Hall of Hamilton Labour. • Punching the Clock: Working in Canadian Factories from the 1840s to the 1980s. • Gateway to the Workers City & Made in Hamilton Industrial. • **Events:** Film Screening: Birha. Sept. 27, 7-9pm. Free. • Film Screening: Taste of Cement. Oct. 5, 7-9pm. Free. • Sam 24. Nov. 8, 6:30-10:30pm. \$90. Tickets available now. //Liuna Station, Grand Central Ballroom, 360 James St. N. • For more info, tickets, or to register for events visit wahc-museum.ca //WAHC, 51 Stuart St.
YOU ME GALLERY • Whirlygigs. Until Sept. 15. • Gallery hours: Wed-Sun 12-5pm. youmegallery.com, 905.523.7754. //330 James St. S.

THEATRE

BINBROOK LITTLE THEATRE • The Day They Kidnapped The Pope. On a visit to New York, the Pope comes out of St. Patrick's Cathedral and, confused by a thunderstorm, gets into a taxi. The driver, Sam Leibowitz, kidnaps him and

takes him to his suburban Brooklyn home where he holds him for a special ransom—a day of world peace. Oct. 18-19, 25-27, Nov. 1-2. Matinee (2pm) Oct. 27. Dinner & Show Oct. 19, 26 & Nov. 2. Dinner 6:30, Show 8pm. • For info and tickets visit bltweb.ca or call 905.692.5076 //Binbrook Little Theatre, 2600 Regional Rd. 56, Binbrook
BURLINGTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Swingin' In St. John's The Musical. Elvis goes to Newfoundland! An award-winning musical comedy featuring 18 original songs and some traditional Newfoundland favourites, with a Memphis Rock & Roll twist. Nov. 2, 7:30pm, Nov. 3, 2:30pm. • Huff written and performed by Cliff Cardinal. Wind & his brothers are caught in a torrent of abuse, despair, love & redemption in this captivating, confronting, award-winning and darkly comic solo performance. Nov. 16, 7:30pm, Nov. 17, 2pm. • Tom Allen's Bohemian's In Brooklyn. Nov. 24, 4pm. • For tickets and info visit burlingtonpac.ca //BPAC 440 Locust St. 905.681.2551

DRURY LANE THEATRE • Legally Blonde The Musical. Nov. 1-2, 8-9, 14-16, 21-23, 28-30, 8pm. Matinees (2pm) Nov. 10, 17, 24. • Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs. Christmas Pantomime. Dec. 13, 20, 8pm. Dec. 14-15, 21-22, 2pm. • For tickets visit centerstageticketing.com. For info visit drurylane.ca. //Drury Lane Theatre, 2269 New Street, Burl.

DUNDAS LITTLE THEATRE • Einstein's Gift. Canadian playwright Vern Thessien explores the relationship between two Nobel Prize winning scientists Fritz Haber and Albert Einstein, whose discoveries transformed the world as we knew it. Using Einstein as the narrator, Mr. Thessien brings forth arguments that both champion and check the advances of modern science. Oct. 25-26, Nov. 1-3*, 7-10*. Evenings 8pm. *Sunday Matinee 2pm. Tickets \$20./\$15 (Seniors-Students Thur. & Sun. only) Ticket Line 905.627.5266. //Garstin Centre For The Arts, 37 Market St. S. Dundas.

THE FIRST ONTARIO PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Essential Collective Theatre: East of Berlin. As a teenager, Rudi discovers that his father was a doctor at Auschwitz. Questioning redemption, love, guilt and the sins of the father, East of Berlin follows Rudi's emotional upheaval as he comes to terms with a frightening past. Oct. 4-12. //Robertson Theatre. • Huff by Cliff Cardinal. Nov. 21-23, 8pm, Nov. 3, 2pm. //Robertson Theatre. • Going Under: A New Canadian Musical. When life starts going off the rails, can we help each other get back on track? Dec. 4-7. //Robertson Theatre. • The Wizard of Oz. Dec. 10, 7pm. //Partridge Hall. • Aunt Agnes for Christmas by Norm Foster. Part Mary

Poppins with a dose of Auntie Mame to spice things up, Aunt Agnes For Christmas is a zany romp through the ups and downs of family life with a heartwarming Christmas message. Dec. 11-22. //Recital Hall. • Bremen Rock City. Dec. 12-13, 7:30pm, Dec. 13, 10:30am. //Recital Hall. • Jungle Book. Dec. 29, 2pm, 6:30pm. //Partridge Hall. • For tickets visit firstontariopac.ca or call 905.688.0722. //FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre, various venues, St. Catharines

MURDER MYSTERY THEATRE • Join us for a 4 course meal while enjoying our Murder Mystery Theatre. Sept. 14 & 28, Oct. 12, Nov. 23, 30. Doors open at 6:30pm, event starts at 7pm. • Call for reservations at 905.643.1244 //The Innsville Restaurant, 1143 Hwy. 8, Stoney Creek
OAKVILLE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Oakville's Own Superhero: Oakville Improv Theatre Company. In a world full of superhero movies, comics and graphic novels, Oakville Improv follows Brad Barkley as he comes to terms with his newly acquired powers and the responsibility he feels to protect his beloved town of Oakville. Sept. 19-21, 8pm, Sept. 21, 2pm. • The Drowsy Chaperone: BurlOak Theatre Group. A loving send-up of the Jazz Age musical, featuring one show-stopping song and dance number after another. Sept. 26-28, 7:30pm, Sept. 28-29, 2pm. • Junie B. Jones-The Musical: Electric Moon Theatre Company. Recommended for ages 4-8. Oct.3, 7pm. • The Good Doctor. Oct. 16-19, 8pm, Oct. 20, 2pm. • Witness For The Prosecution. Nov. 6-9, 8pm, Nov. 10, 2pm. • Menopause the Musical. Nov. 12-13, 7:30pm. • For more info and tickets visit oakvillecentre.ca //130 Navy St., Oakville

THE PLAYERS' GUILD OF HAMILTON • I'll Be Seeing You. A musical review celebrating the great war time hits. Oct. 25-26, 31, Nov. 1-2, 7-9, 8pm, Oct. 27, Nov. 2, 9, 2pm. • For tickets call 905.529.0284. For more info visit playersguild.org //The Players' Guild of Hamilton, 80 Queen S.

THE SANDERSON CENTRE • The Code. Green Thumb Theatre's play for teens examines complex questions about friendship, accountability and consent. Nov. 18, 1:30pm. • Sesame Street Live! C Is For Celebration. Nov. 22, 3pm, 6:30pm. • Ballet Jörgen The Nutcracker: A Canadian Tradition. Dec. 8, 7:30pm. • For tickets visit sandersoncentre.ca //Sanderson Centre, 88 Dalhousie St., Brantford

THEATRE ANCASTER • Mousetrap. Agatha Christie's famous thriller will leave you guessing until the very end. \$30 Adults/\$27 Seniors/\$12 Student. Sept. 13, 14, 20, 21, 7:30pm, and Sept. 15, 22, 2pm. • Mamma Mia!

Set on a Greek island paradise and inspired by ABBA's iconic songs, this heart-warming tale centres on Sophie, a young bride-to-be. Nov. 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, 7:30pm, Nov. 17, 23-24, 2pm. \$30 Adults/\$32 Seniors/\$17 Student. • Tickets at TheatreAncaster.com or call 905.304.7469 //Old Firehall Arts Centre, 334 Wilson St. E., Anc.

THEATRE AQUARIUS • Renovations for Six by Norm Foster. A hilarious, fast-paced comedy for everyone who ever got stuck in a fixer-upper, in life or in love. Sept. 18-Oct. 5. • Never Not Once by Carey Crim. A powerful and poignant drama about the families we choose, and the secrets that can tear them apart. Mature content. Oct. 23-Nov. 9. • Hairspray The Broadway Musical. A family-friendly musical, piled bouffant-high with laughter, romance and deliriously tuneful songs. Nov. 27-Dec. 29. • For tickets visit theatreaquarius.org or call 905.522.7529. //190 King William St.

KING WILLIAM ST. • The Last Of The Red Hot Lovers by Neil Simon. The sexual revolution was in full swing back in 1960, when Barney Cashman felt he was missing out on something. Never unfaithful before, Barney decides to join the revolution. Sept. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, 8pm. • Alladin and His Wonderful Lamp. An original production by Vic Hyde. A one act show written for the children. Nov. *17, 22-*23-*24, 29-*30, Friday shows at 7:30 pm/*matinees at 1:30 & 3:30pm. \$10. • For tickets visit theatreburlington.on.ca //Theatre Burlington's Drama Centre 2311 New Street, Burl.

VILLAGE THEATRE WATERDOWN • The Unexpected Guest by Agatha Christie. Lost in the fog, a stranger seeks refuge in a nearby house, only to find himself stumbling on to the scene of a murder. Nov. 8-10, 14-17, 21-23. Thurs-Sat at 8pm, Sun at 2pm. • For tickets call the box office 905.690.7889. //Memorial Hall, 317 Dundas St. E., Waterdown.

DANCE

BURLINGTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Citadel + Compagnie: Elvis & The Man In Black.

A modern dance tribute to the lives and music of Elvis Presley and Johnny Cash. Oct. 18, 8pm. • National Ballet Theatre of Odessa: The Nutcracker. Dec. 6-7, 7:30pm, Dec. 7, 2pm. • For more info visit burlingtonpac.ca //BPAC 440 Locust St. 905.681.2551

THE FIRST ONTARIO PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE • Minowin - The Dancers of Damelahamid. A stunning multimedia dance work by a celebrated Indigenous dance company from the Northwest of British Columbia. Oct. 1, 7:30pm. //Partridge Hall. • Juliet & Romeo. Nov. 14, 7:30pm. //Partridge Hall. • For tickets visit firstontariopac.ca or call 905.688.0722. //FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre, various venues, St. Catharines

THE NUTCRACKER: A CANADIAN TRADITION • The Nutcracker by Canada's Ballet Jörgen returns with its holiday classic The Nutcracker, A Canadian Tradition Dec. 7, 2pm. For tickets visit ticketmaster.ca //FirstOntario Concert Hall, 1 Summers Lane

SANDERSON CENTRE • Bangarra Dance Theatre. Spirit is a powerful collection of dance stories from Bangarra's 30-year repertoire. Set to a haunting score, audiences connect with stories and song-lines drawn from all over Australia, in a celebration of First Nations Peoples' unbroken connection to the land. Nov. 6, 7pm. • For tickets visit sandersoncentre.ca //Sanderson Centre, 88 Dalhousie St., Brantford
TRONIO FLAMENCO • An exciting flamenco show featuring Milena Tejada, Dennis Duffin, Caracolillo, Hanser Santos Gomez. Sept. 13, 8pm. \$20. • thepearlcompany.ca. //The Pearl Company, 16 Steven St.

THE WORLD OF DANCE • A live interpretation of the TV show "World of Dance", NBC's hit dance competition series and offers breathtaking dance skills which represent the spirit of originality, expression, and dedication. Oct. 15, 8pm. • For info visit coreentertainment.ca and for tickets visit ticketmaster.ca. //FirstOntario Concert Hall, 1 Summers Lane

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FILM

11TH ANNUAL AGH FILM FESTIVAL • A 10-day city-wide celebration of cinema. Oct. 17-27. \$12/film, \$200 for an Early-Bird Festival Pass. • AGH Film Festival Trailers & Teasers. Sept. 26, 7-10pm. Free admission. • For details and tickets visit artgalleryofhamilton.com

14TH ANNUAL HAMILTON FILM FESTIVAL • Nov. 2-10. • Opening Night will feature Darrin Rose, Brenda Lennie, comedy short films, hosted by Nathan Fleet. Nov. 2, 8pm. at Westdale Theatre. \$25. Tickets available now at bruha.com. • For info visit hamiltonfilmfestival.com.

ANCASTER FILM FEST • Last Man in San Francisco: Sept. 23, 1pm, 7:15pm. • The Souvenir: Sept. 23, 4pm. • The Farewell: Oct. 7, 1:00, 7:15pm. • Luce: Oct. 7, 4pm. • Judy: Oct. 28, 1pm, 7:15pm. • For details visit ancaster-filmfest.ca or facebook. //Ancaster Silver City (Meadowlands Plaza)

2019 HAMILTON VOICES OF PALESTINE FILM SERIES • On the second Tuesday of each month beginning in October • Oct. 8, 7pm: Gaza Fights For Freedom. Filmed during the height of the Great March Of Return protests, it features exclusive footage of demonstrations where 200 unarmed civilians have been killed by Israeli snipers since March 30, 2018. • Nov. 12, 7pm: Wall. Follows David Hare on a trip to the Middle East to examine the impact the wall separating Israel and Palestine has had on the people of the region. • Donations accepted. For info visit jelithin.ca. //New Vision United Church, 24 Main St. W.

LITERARY

THE CITY AND THE CITY BOOKS EVENTS • Harriet Zaidman will discuss her new book *City on Strike*, Sept. 16, 7-9pm. • The City and The City Book Club. Book this month is *My Year of Rest and Relaxation* by Ottessa Moshfegh. Sept. 18, 6:30pm. Meet at The Hearty Hooligan, 292

Ottawa St. N. • In Conversation: Jesse Thistle. Join historian, assistant professor, and best-selling author Jesse Thistle as he discusses his memoir *From the Ashes*. Book signing to follow. Oct. 3, 7-9pm. Limited capacity, RSVP on facebook. • /The /City and The City Books, 181 Ottawa St. N.

CREATION: BOOK LAUNCH • Listen to a conversation between author Sylvia Nickerson and graphic novelist Joe Ollmann, buy a copy of the book and/or get your book signed. Sept. 20, 7pm. //Assembly Gallery at Red Church, 68 King St. E.

DOWNTON ALLEY (A RAT TALE OF HAMILTON): BOOK LAUNCH • See the Downtown Alley films and get a limited edition signed book by author Cadillac Bill. Sept. 14, 6-8pm. //The Casbah, 306 King St. W.

GRITLIT: FALL READING SERIES • Sept. 19, 7pm: Cherie Dimaline. Oct. 3, 7pm: Ami McKay. Oct. 17, 7pm: M.G. Vassanji. Series Pass \$30, or \$15 per event. //Homewood Suites by Hilton, 40 Bay St.S.

HAMILTON YOUTH POETRY SLAMS • Every fourth Sunday of the month, 6-9pm. \$5. All ages. For details visit facebook.com/hamiltonyouthpoets/Spice Factory, 121 Hughson St.

THE PERFECT ARCHIVE: BOOK LAUNCH • *The Perfect Archive* by Paul Lisson is a story in verse about an archivist who moves beyond his role as protector and cataloguer of others' work and begins to question the very nature of a "pure and accurate" archive. Sept. 22, 4pm. //Artworld Artbar, 15 Colbourne St.

SINGING IN MY SLEEP: BOOK LAUNCH • Book release of Thomas Wade's *Singing In My Sleep*, featuring a live performance, a presentation, and a live interview podcast with music journalist, Dave Woods of In The Country with Dave Woods. Sept. 19, 7:30pm \$15/\$35 with a signed book. RSVP at btownsound.ca. //B Town Sound, 919 Fraser Drive, Burl.

SLIGHTLY BELOW THE SURFACE: BOOK LAUNCH • Singer-songwriter J.P. Riemens reads from his new book *Slightly Below the Surface*, and sings original songs. Sept. 29, 3-

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5pm. \$30, includes the book and a CD. //Artword Artbar, 15 Colbourne St.

MUSEUMS

BATTLEFIELD HOUSE MUSEUM & PARK • Apple Festival. Enjoy a pancake breakfast, games, pumpkin decorating, demonstrations, entertainment, and enter the Battlefield Bake-Off. Sept. 28, 9am-4:30pm. • Friends of Battlefield House Museum Lecture Series. Join us for a historically-themed illustrated talk. Oct. 8, 7:30-9pm: Jim. Hill. Nov. 12, 7:30-9pm: Heidi Madden. Dec. 3, 7:30-9pm: Zig Misiak. • Christmas is the Pioneer Spirit. Step back in time to experience the warmth, welcome & simplicity of an early 19th century Christmas. Nov. 23-Dec. 31. • An Evening with Jane Austen. We celebrate the writings of author Jane Austen and help bring the charm of the early 19th century to life with fashion, music, dancing. Nov. 23, 7-10pm. \$25. Call to book. • Open Tuesday to Sunday, 12 noon to 4 pm. • battlefieldhouse.ca //Battlefield House Museum & Park, 77 King W., Stoney Creek, 905.662.8458

CANADIAN WARPLANE HERITAGE MUSEUM

Cipher Decipher: An interactive exhibition exploring the past and present of communications cryptology - what it is, how it works and how it affects our lives. Until Sept. 29. • Classics of the Golden Age. Indoor display featuring classic cars and aircraft from the early teens to the 60s. Sept. 28-29. • Virtual Reality Experience-BBC 19943 Berlin Blitz. Until Oct. 15. • Hamilton Comic Con. Oct. 19-20. • Remembrance Day. Large indoor ceremony to honour those who served our country. Nov. 11, 10:30am-noon. • Swing Out To Victory Dinner & Dance. Nov. 16. • Open 9am-5pm daily. For tickets and more info visit warplane.com //Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, 9280 Airport Road, Mount Hope

DUNDAS MUSEUM & ARCHIVES • Exhibits: Tavern Town: Dundas On Tap. Tavern Town will discuss the role which beer, brewing, and hospital played in the early development of our community. Until Sept. 14. • Cradled in the Valley: The Stories of Dundas. Ongoing. • Events: Dundas Historical Book Club. We meet the first Thursday of every month at the Dundas Museum and Archives from 6:30-8:00. Books are selected by the members themselves, and range from biographies, historical literature to historical fiction and classics. New members welcome, simply contact the museum for more info. Oct. 3: *Frog Music* by Emma Donoghue. Nov. 7: *The Cellist of Sarajevo* by Steven Galloway. • dundasmuseum.ca //139 Park St. W., Dundas

DUNDURN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE • Experience a guided tour of this 40-room Italianate-style villa built in the 1830's on Burlington Heights; the former site of a fortified military encampment established by the British in 1813. • Historic Cooking Workshop: Soupreme. Sept. 21, 10am-noon. \$50. Pre-registration required. • The Heights: A Ware of 1812 Tour. Discover evidence of military fortifications as the tour takes you outdoors through key areas in Dundurn Park including the rarely see Cock Pit building. Sept. 16, 9:30-11:30am. \$30. Pre-registration required. • MacNab's Kitchen. Led by costumed staff, visitors will explore over 40 rooms and discover the history of the MacNab family and the servants who lived and worked below stairs to support their affluent lifestyle. Assisted by Dundurn's Cook Demonstrators, guests will work together to make a traditional recipe in our historic kitchen. For all ages. \$35. Pre-registration required. Sept. 28, 10am-12pm. • We Remember. Nov. 8-10. • Victorian Christmas. Enjoy the beauty of a mid-19th century family Christmas celebration at Dundurn Castle. Nov. 23-Dec. 29 (excluding Mondays), noon-4pm. • First Day of Christmas. Join costumed interpreters at Dundurn Castle for a free visit of the lavish home of Sir Allan MacNab and his family. Nov. 24, noon-4pm. • Historic Cooking Workshop: Dough-Re-Me. Nov. 30, 9am-noon. \$55 for one adult & one child. Pre-registration required. • Historic Cooking Workshop: Victorian Christmas Delights. Dec. 1, 9am-noon. \$60. Pre-registration required. • Christmas Evening Tours. Enjoy a unique opportunity to see Dundurn Castle decorated for Christmas in the evening. Begin your evening with carol-singing in the front hall, followed by an extended tour of Sir Allan MacNab's lavish home and a chance to sample an assortment of traditional Christmas foods served in Dundurn's historic kitchen. Dec. 7-8, 13-15, 20-22, 7-9pm. \$30. Pre-registration required. • Ring in the New Year. Ring in the New Year at Dundurn with music, an extended tour of MacNab's lavish home and a chance to sample an assortment of traditional holiday foods served in the historic kitchen. For all ages. Dec. 27-29, 7-9pm. \$30. Pre-registration required. • Adults \$11.50/Seniors, youth \$9.50/Children \$6/Infants Free/Family \$30. For more info visit hamilton.ca. Open Tues-Sun, noon to 4pm. //610 York Blvd. 905.546.2872

ERLAND LEE MUSEUM • Paper Filigree/Quilling Workshop. Sept. 14. \$25. • Make Your Own Dream Catcher Workshop. Oct. 5. \$35. • Candelight Spirit Walk. Oct. 25. • Kids Halloween Party. Oct. 26, 1-3pm. • Holiday Decoration Workshop. Nov. 9. \$35. • Holiday Table Centerpiece Workshop. Dec. 7. • For info visit fwio.on.ca/erland. //552 Ridge Rd., Stoney Creek.

FIELDCOTE MEMORIAL PARK & MUSEUM • Exhibits: Stories From The Edge. A new exhibit showcasing stories and artifacts of Ancaster's history. Until Dec. 24. • Events: Ontario Archaeological Society Monthly Lectures. Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, 7:30-9pm. • Morning Quilting Workshop Series. Oct. 7-Dec. 2, 9:30am-12pm. • Harvest Home Breakfast. Enjoy a hearty farmer-style breakfast at the historic Ancaster Old Town Hall and then wander over to Fieldcote Museum to explore its current exhibition, Stories from the Edge, showcasing stories and artifacts of Ancaster's history. Oct. 26, 9-11am. \$16 Adults/\$8 children 12 & under. Pre-registration required. • One Day Medieval Illumination Workshop. Nov. 24, 10am-3:30pm. For all ages. \$60 members/\$65 non-members. Pre-registration required. • The Big Sing. Dec. 13, 7-9pm. \$10 per person or \$20 per family. Pre-registration required. • For info visit hamilton.ca. Open Tues-Sat, 1-5pm. //64 Sulphur Springs Rd., Anc.

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Canadian Black History site. Visit this preserved early 19th century home, set on a hilltop overlooking the beautiful Dundas Valley. Explore the history of Enerals Griffin and other early Black settlers, and enjoy a walk along nearby trails. • An Evening with Lawrence Hill. Oct. 9, 7-9pm. \$25. Pre-registration required by contacting the museum. 905.648.8144, griffinhouse@hamilton.ca //733 Mineral Springs Rd., Ancaster

HAMILTON CHILDREN'S MUSEUM • Wednesdays Wiggles (10am-3pm)-Sept. 18: Me and My Family. Sept. 25: All About Apples. Oct. 2: Autumn Exploration. Oct. 9: Falling Leaves. Oct. 16: Pumpkins and Scarecrows. Oct. 23: Black Cats and Bats. Oct. 30: Halloween. Nov. 6: In My Neighbourhood. Nov. 13: Transportation. Nov. 20: Journey Through Space. Nov. 27: Moon and Stars. Dec. 4: Mittens and Mukluks. Dec. 11: Cookies and Hot Chocolate. Dec. 18: Winter Wonderland. • Kid to Kid Garage Sale. A garage sale by kids, selling to kids. Sept. 21, 9am-12:30pm. • Winter Whimsy: December. Visit the museum galleries and enjoy a variety of crafts and activities each day of the winter school break. Dec. 27-30. • Blue Years Eve. Visit all three galleries and join in on six 'count-downs' throughout the day. Have fun with indoor and outdoor activities to say goodbye to the past year and hello to the New Year! Dec. 31. • Open Tues-Sat., 9:30am-3:30pm. For info visit hamilton.ca/museums //1072 Main St. E.

HAMILTON MILITARY MUSEUM • Originally Sir Allan MacNab's gatehouse, the museum features many Canadian military history exhibits. • We Remember. Nov. 8-10. • For info visit hamilton.ca //610 York Blvd.

HAMILTON MUSEUM OF STEAM & TECHNOLOGY • The museum offers guided tours, various permanent and changing exhibits and features special events for the whole family. • Tesla Electric City Festival. Experience demonstrations by exhibitors and displays, a vendor marketplace, music and entertainment. Sept. 29, 11am-5pm. • Behind the Scenes Curator-led Tour. Oct. 7, 10am-12pm. • Holiday Craft Drop-In Centre. Dec. 27-31, 12-4pm. • Open Tues-Sun, noon-4pm. • For more info visit hamilton.ca/museums //900 Woodward Ave. 905.546.4797

H.M.C.S. HAIDA NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE • For info visit hmcshaida.com. //Pier 9, 658 Catharine St. N.

IRELAND HOUSE • Applefest Fall Fair. A day full of fun and activities for the whole family. Sept. 22, 11am-4pm. \$5. • For info and tickets visit museums@burlington.ca. //Ireland House Museum, 2168 Guelph Line

JOSEPH BRANT MUSEUM • Re-opening Sept. 15, noon-4pm, with a community celebration and free admission. • Special Exhibition: Part of the Machine: Rock and Pinball. Interactive exhibition featuring rock-themed, playable pinball machines alongside merchandise and artifacts related to artists and bands. Oct. 6-Jan. 12. • For info and tickets visit museums@burlington.ca. //1240 North Shore Blvd. E.

WESTFIELD HERITAGE VILLAGE • Telling Tales Festival. Sept. 15, 10am-4pm. • Warm Bread. Come and taste a little bit history. Warm, soft, crusty - bread is the theme of this day. Learn how different types of breads are made in hearths, woodstoves and the bake oven. will be available. Oct. 6, 12:30-4pm. • Thanksgiving Weekend. Bring the whole family for a wonderful afternoon in the country discovering the people and places of early Ontario. Oct. 13-14, 12:30pm-4pm. • Pumpkin Sunday. Featuring pumpkin-themed games, demonstrations, crafts and activities. Oct. 20. • Haunted Halloween. Something curious is happening in the village. Find out what, as you explore by lantern and moonlight. A fun night for all ages. Oct. 25-26, 6:30-9:30pm. • Friends of Westfield Dinner. A fundraising event, held by the Friends of Westfield at Rockton Fairgrounds. Door prizes, auction and great food. Tickets must be purchased in advance (not available on-line). Nov. 9, 5:30-9pm. • Twas the Night Before Christmas. Enjoy Westfield by candlelight and feel the warmth of the season through music, food samples, fireworks and a visit from Father Christmas. Christmas shopping is available at the Gift Shop and the restaurant features light meals and refreshments. Dec. 7, 14, 5-9pm. •



MARY WILSON of THE SUPREMES performs on October 31, at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre, Main Theatre

Open Sundays and holidays from 12:30pm-4pm. April to October. For more info and tickets visit westfieldheritage.ca //Westfield Heritage Village, 1049 Kirkwall Rd., Rockton

WHITEHERN HISTORIC HOUSE & GARDEN • McQuesten Family Christmas. See the home in all its Christmas finery. The halls will be decked, the dining table is set with the best china, the original toys are under the tree in the sitting room, and three different time periods show how traditions have changed through the generations of the McQuesten family at Whitehern. Nov. 16-Jan. 5. • Open Tues-Sun, noon-4pm. \$7 adults/\$6 seniors, youth/\$5 children/infants free/Family \$20. //41 Jackson St. W., 905.546.2018

COMMUNITY

ALIENATED GRANDPARENTS ANONYMOUS SUPPORT GROUP • We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month year round. We often have guest speakers. Free. //422 North Shore Rd. E., Burl.

ARTS AND CRAFTS NOONS • A crafty happy hour sponsored by Collective Arts. Great tunes. Supplies on hand. Thursdays, 4-7pm. Free. //This Ain't Hollywood, 345 James St. N.

BURLINGTON MANSION TOASTMASTERS • Gain confidence, leadership skills and learn the art of public speaking. Everyone is welcome and the first three visits are free. Every Wednesday, 7:30-9:30pm. For more info visit mansiontoastmasters.com //Cumis Room, Paletta Mansion, 4250 Lakeshore Rd. E., Burl.

CRAFTDIAN HAMILTON CHRISTMAS MARKET • A handmade juried market. Dec. 7, 10am-4pm. //McMaster Innovation Park, 175 Longwood Rd. S.

DINNER WITH A VIEW-FOOD TRUCKS ON THE BROW • A gathering of local food trucks every Wednesday night from 5-8pm. Free parking. //Sam Lawrence Park, 255 Concession St.

ETSY MADE IN CANADA-HAMILTON • A carefully curated market with 35+ vendors, live music, food and beverages. Sept. 27, 6-10pm, Sept. 28, 10am-4pm. \$2 at the door or bring an item to donate to our hygiene drive. //Lincoln Alexander Centre, 160 King St. E.

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Sunnucks. Light Snacks and refreshments. Space is limited. Oct. 17, 1-3pm. RSVP your attendance at 905-573-4940 Ext 108 or email at adele.alfano@newvillageretirement.ca. //Winona Seniors Centre, 1239 Hwy 8

FALL RUMMAGE SALE • Jewellery, clothes, books, toys, small household items. There's a little something for everyone. Sept. 27-28, 10am-noon. //St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 70 James St. S.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS • An easy way to donate non-perishable items to our local food banks. A 24/7 drop off box is located at 440 York Boulevard, in front of Midas (corner of Locke and York) Half a block east of the Mustard Seed co-op. Donations are delivered to the food banks at Good Shepherd, Mission Services St. Matthew's and Salvation Army, Suggested food items: Baby food, tinned Meat, Peanut butter, cereal, pasta, tomato sauce, pet food. For more info call 905.527.0432 or email strathconaneighboursnetwork@gmail.com

HAALSA FREE PUBLIC LECTURE: FIRING UP METABOLISM TO FIGHT OBESITY AND TYPE 2 DIABETES • Dr. Gregory Steinberg, prof. of medicine at McMaster describes new research into preventative and treatment strategies for metabolic-related diseases in children and adults. Sept. 14, 8pm. Everyone welcome. Details at haalsa.org. //Rm. 1A1, Ewart Angus Centre, NW corner McMaster University Children's Hospital bldg., 1200 Main St. W.

HAMILTON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE CLUB • Come out to learn and enjoy dances from various cultures. Fridays, 8-11pm. No partner required. \$8 per night, or annual membership available. • Sept. 13: Dances from Mainwoods' Summer Camp. • Oct. 11: Tribute Night in honour of Dale Hyde. • Oct. 25: Halloween Party. • Nov. 22: Macedonian Party with Vlasto Petkovski. • Dec. 6: Party-last session of 2019. • For more info visit hamiltonfolk-dance.ca //St. Paul's Anglican Church, corner of King St. W. and Haddon Ave., Westdale.

HAMILTON NATURALISTS' CLUB EVENTS • Fall Migrants at Paletta Park with Andrew Don Join us as we explore Paletta Park, finding and identifying fall migrant bird species, including the infamous "confusing fall warblers". Meet at Paletta parking lot with your binoculars and good walking shoe. Sept. 14, 7:30-11am. //4280 Lakeshore Rd., Burl. • Spooky Hollow Nature Sanctuary Annual Fall Work Party and Guided

Hike. We will be doing trail and general maintenance work. This event involves moderate to heavy physical activity. Please wear appropriate clothes. Oct. 19. For times and meet up details visit hamiltonnature.org. • For more info visit hamiltonnature.org.

HAMILTON NO. 1 TOASTMASTERS • Build confidence, communication & leadership skills. Mondays 7-8:30pm. For info call 905.512.3516, contact hamiltonno1@gmail.com, or visit on facebook: @hamiltonno1 //Downtown YMCA, 79 James St. S. Paddy Cline room.

HAMILTON SPORTS CARD AND MEMORABILIA SHOW • Our vendors have a lot of great sports collectibles, such as sports cards, Tim Hortons cards, framed pictures, jerseys, autographed items and much more. \$1 adults/kids free. Sept. 15, Nov. 17, 9am-1pm. //St. Gregory's Church Hall, 125 Centennial Parkway N.

THE HEAD OF THE LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALK • Dr. David Galbraith will present a talk on the History and Culture of the RBG. Dr. Galbraith is the senior scientist at the RBG. Sept. 20, 7:30pm. Free. Light refreshments will be served. //Coach House at Dundurn Castle, 610 York Blvd.

HOARDING IN RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES: UNDERSTANDING TENANTS WHO HOARD AND BEST PRACTICES FOR LANDLORDS • Speakers: Dr. Hanna McCabe-Bennett, clinical psychologist with the WSIB Speciality Clinic at St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton, and Wade Poziomka, human rights lawyer and lawyer with Ross and McBride. Sept. 19, 9am-noon. Free. For info contact morgan@housinghelpcentre.ca //Dundas City Hall, Council Chambers, 60 Main St.

HOLLY JOLLY HOLIDAY BAZAAR • Featuring homemade jewelry, fresh assorted baked goods, one of a kind Christmas crafts, homemade soaps, health and wellness products. Dec. 7, 10am-2pm. Free admission. //New Village Retirement Residence, 490 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek

HOLY FOOD TRUCKS • Eight local food trucks are parked at Bethesda United Church every Tuesday night, 4:30-8pm, through Sept. 17. Lots of seating and free parking. //584 Garner Rd. W., Ancaster

THE LADY HAMILTON CLUB CITY OF HAMILTON WALKING TOURS • The Lady Hamilton Club will be conducting free walking tours on the second Friday of each month beginning at 2:00 pm. Last tour of the year will be Nov. 8. All

walks will commence from the Visitor Centre on the first floor of the Lister Block, located at 28 James Street N. To register visit ladyhamilton-club.com.

MENTAL HEALTH RIGHTS COALITION • Need to talk about mental health or addiction issues? Talk to someone who has been there and has formal training in Peer Support. 11am-4pm, Mon-Thurs, noon-4pm Friday. • 905.545.2525, mentalhealthrights.ca //Suite 103-100 Main St. E.

MIDDAY MARAUDERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB • Open to the public, new members welcome. Wednesdays, 12:05-1pm. For info visit toastmasters.org. //Philpott Memorial Church, 84 York Blvd.

MOOD MENDERS SUPPORT SERVICES • Offering coping skills and educational forums for individuals living with Depression or Bipolar Disorder, and their family members or support persons. Featuring guest speakers, facilitated group discussions, and literature on support venues. Find hope and knowledge among peers on your journey to wellness. Free to attend. Second Tuesday of each month 7-9pm @ St. Joseph's Hospital, Charlton Campus, Juravinski Tower, 2nd Floor, Miller Theatre; third Tuesday of every month 2-4pm @ St. Peter's HARRRP, 705 Main St. E., and the fourth Tuesday of each month 2-4pm @ First Pilgrim United Church, 200 Main E.

MOONLIT MEMORY WALK FUNDRAISER • Included in the registration fee: Pasta and meatball dinner, keepsake lantern, beverages and dessert, live music by Chad Pilon, memorial walk after dinner, tributes, fundraising prizes. Sept. 12, 6-9pm. \$25. Registration required. For more info and to register visit moonlitmemorywalk.org. //Knights of Columbus Hall, 222 Queenston Rd.

NAR-ANON MEETING • Family support group. "Never alone-hope in Hamilton". We carry the message of hope throughout the world to those affected with addiction of someone near to them. All welcome. Mondays at 7pm, except holidays. //HARRRP Community Centre-St. Peter's, 705 Main St. E. & St. Clair. St Clair entrance, lower level.

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZEN DAY • Come and enjoy vintage corvette cars in our parking area. Oct. 1, 11am-2pm. //New Village Retirement Residence, 490 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek

NAVIGATING THE MAZE OF SELLING YOUR HOME AS A SENIOR • Presented by Seniors Real Estate Specialist Judy Shepalo. This session will be an info packed session regarding selling the family home, relocating, and adapting to a changing environment. Space is limited. To RSVP your attendance call 905.573.4940 x108. Sept. 18, 6-8pm. //New Village Retirement Residence, 490 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek

SERVE OUR CITY COMMUNITY DINNER • Every Wednesday night at 6pm. Free. //Crossfire Assembly, 458 King St. W. (between Pearl & Locke)

STORIES IN THE STONES • Join us for a lively, informative tour of selective grave sites in historic Hamilton Cemetery. No reservations necessary. Rain or shine. Hosted by Robin McKee. Saturdays at 11am. • Sept. 14: Art Crawl Tour-Part 2. • Sept. 28: Past Mayors Tour. • For more info visit hamiltonhistory.ca //Gatehouse [across from Dundurn Castle], 777 York Blvd.

TWISTED STITCHES FIBREARTS GATHERING • Weekly drop-in community stitching circle every Thursday 5-10pm. Coffee, tea, snacks. Details and calendar available on FB @twistedstitcheshamont //Mud & Suds Craftwerks, 88 Ottawa St. N.

WEEKLY DROP-IN FOR PWUD • Keeping-Six, Hamilton Harm Reduction Action League welcomes you Tuesdays from 3-5 for food, music, art, discussion, and planning on how to respond to the ongoing Opioid and homelessness crisis. A non-judgmental, peer-run space. info@keepingsix.org or keepingsix.org. //The AIDS Network, 140 King St. E., Suite 101.

WORLD ALZHEIMER DAY - CAREGIVERS PAMPERING DAY • Calling all Caregivers for a much needed pampering afternoon featuring mini chair massages, reflexology sessions, tea taste testings, up do's and makeup, draws. Free. Spaces are limited. To RSVP your spot call 905-573-4940 Ext 108. Sept. 21, 1-4pm. //New Village Retirement Residence, 490 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek

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ARMY & NAVY CLUB CITY KIDS
ARTWORD ARTBAR REBEKAH HAWKER [8PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS JAM NIGHT w/THE PERSONICS [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE SHARI & JONNY [9:30PM]
COACH & LANTERN OPEN MIC [9PM]
CORKTOWN AFTER FUNK, FLAT 5, YONEY [9PM]
CULANTRO'S FERNANDO MEJIA [7:30PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO VINNIE & VAUGHN
LOU DAWG'S CHRIS CHAMBERS [8:30PM]
MAX'S CHRIS AYRIES
POWERHOUSE DARYL GRAY [5:30PM]
REBEL'S ROCK IRISH SESSION w/ANN GORMAN MCKINNEY & GUESTS [7PM]
SOUTHCOTE 53 CORY MERCER [5:30PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD GREYHOUND, DELTA DAYS, WAYNE PETTI [8PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
GEORGE HAMILTON OPEN JAM w/TIM NINEHOUSE AND MR. JAY & CHRIS WIERSMA [9PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP
AUGUSTA HOUSE DJ ROB HAMILTON [10PM]

CASBAH-LOUNGE SHADE DJs [8PM]
RADIUS DJ TODD EDWARDS [5PM]

FRIDAY 13TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR JOSHUA PASCUA, ADVM, SKYLAR VALLI [6PM]
AUGUSTA HOUSE FAT TONY [10PM]
BLACK BULL TOMI SWICK, JOEL GUENTHER [6PM]
BLACK SWAN ROCKET 88 [9:30PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS ACOUSTIC DUO [5PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL TRIBUTES TO DAVID BOWIE, LOU REED, THE CLASH, THE WHO [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE STEVE COLLETT & CREW [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN THE EAST COAST KITCHEN PARTY [6:30PM], DROP TOP ALIBI [9:30PM]
DICKENS ADAM'S RIB [10PM]
DUNAS VERDES OPEN JAM w/STEVE COLLETT [9PM]
END ZONE CRANK
FIRSTONTARIO CONCERT HALL CARLY RAE JEPSEN
FIRTH'S GLENN GROVES
5 WEST 3MDM [9PM]
GATOR TED'S FREEDOM TRAIN
LAZY FLAMINGO THE COMMANDOS
LOU DAWG'S SOUND PARADE [10PM]
MAX'S PETER MARINO

MILL ST. & 5 QUIETLY VIOLET [9PM]
POWERHOUSE MONKLEY CASCADE [10PM]
PUB FICTION FICTION
SLYE FOX THE HORNETS w/CHRIS AYRIES BAND [8:30PM]
STONEWALLS FLASH JOHNSON [9:30PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD BAD DATES, BLANDLORD, CURSED ARROWS [9PM]
UPTOWN SOCIAL HOUSE DUELING PIANOS [9PM]
VICARS VICE CORY MERCER [7:30]
YE OLDE SQUIRE-FENNELL ROB CUTTING
ZYLA'S OPEN STAGE [7PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
ARTWORD ARTBAR BEG TO DIFFER [9:15PM]
BARBARA CAFFE KELLY AND HEATHER DEL FIACCO [6PM]
CAVALLO NERO HENRY STRONG DUO [6:30PM]
EDENS MICHAEL JOBITY [6PM]
MASQUE BIG DAN & TOPSIDE BAND [9PM]
MATTSON & CO. THE TIFFANY HANUS JAZZ TRIO [7PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP
CLUB 54 DJ KEITH
CLUB 77 DJ
SHAOLIN UNDERGROUND DJ BIGTRBL [10PM]
SOUS BAS TUSH, DJ BETTER LOVE

SATURDAY 14TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR ROB KNAGGS, DAVE GOULD [6PM]
AUGUSTA HOUSE JESSICA SOULE TRIO [10PM]
BRASSIE THE SANJAYS
CARRIGAN ARMS STEVE GRISBROOK [2PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL LOW EXPECTATIONS [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE MIKE FROM THE BLACKBIRDS [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN CANNERY ROW [6:30PM], APRIL, MANIC MOUTH, DIRT STAR, FLASHBAKK [9:30PM]
DICKENS FIGHT GONE BAD [10PM]
DOORS DIRTY RICK, RUDDY RUCKUS, ONIONFACE, RIKASHAY [8PM]
END ZONE DRIVEN
5 WEST DARLINGTON UNDERGROUND [9:30PM]
FOX & FIDDLE MARK GUNN [5:30PM]
GATOR TED'S THE MCFLYS
HONEST LAWYERS-FENNELL DETOUR [9PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO CADILLAC BILL AND THE CREEPING BENT
MAX'S PETER MARINO
MILL ST. & 5 HARTE & MAZUR [9PM]
POWERHOUSE ECHO ECHO [10PM]
PUB FICTION CRANK THE BAND
REBEL'S ROCK OPEN STAGE [8PM]
SLYE FOX THE NATER BROTHERS BAND [8:30PM]
SPURS LIONEL BERNARD [3PM]
STONEWALLS HELLBENT ROCKERS [8PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD BE SHARPS, NYSSA, KOMODO, LA CHALET [9PM]
UPTOWN SOCIAL HOUSE JAMES ANTHONY BAND w/GUESTS [2:30PM], DUELING PIANOS [9PM]
WINCHESTER ARMS MONTEREY JACK [8:30PM]
YE OLDE SQUIRE-FENNELL PAUL MALLARD
ZYLA'S OPEN STAGE [7PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
CASABLANCA KELLY DEL FIACCO [6PM]
CAVALLO NERO HENRY STRONG DUO [6PM]
EDENS MICHAEL JOBITY [6PM]
MASQUE ROCKET & THE RENEGADES [9PM]
MATTSON & CO. THE LINEAR TRIO [7PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

CLUB 54 DJ KEITH - MAIN ROOM [10:30PM], DJ CESAR - LATIN ROOM [10:30PM]
CLUB 77 RUSKO, HYDEE, THRIZZO
SHAOLIN UNDERGROUND DJ BIGTRBL [10PM]
SOUS BAS LEBARON JAMES, LUVR J

SUNDAY 15TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR BILL LUTES AND THE ART CRAWLERS [3PM]
AUGUSTA HOUSE JON'SON & JON'SON [7PM]
BLACK SWAN HAILEE ROSE, DAVE "RAVE" [2PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS WENDY LYNN SNIDER [2PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL EAMON McGRATH [2PM], HAMILTON BURLESQUE SOCIETY [7PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE ALFIE SMITH [4:30PM], STEVE COLLETT [9PM]
DICKEN'S CORY MERCER [2PM], BRAD SUMAK, MIKE OLMIERI [10PM]
DOORS WIDOWS, PEAK DETHEROUS, SCABS OFF [7PM]
5 WEST THE CROONERS [3PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO TOMI & JOEL
THE LIONSHEAD SHARI & JONNY [9PM]
MAX'S SARAH MILLS

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
LOU DAWG'S SEAN PINCHIN [2PM]
MASQUE WAYNE JANUS & GUESTS [5PM]

PEPPERWOOD BISTRO MICHAEL MAGUIRE [10:30AM]
STONEWALLS BLUESWINDER [3PM]
THE WESTDALE PAYADORO ENSEMBLE [3PM]

MONDAY 16TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

CAT 'N' FIDDLE NEW REBEL WESTERNERS [9:30PM]
INNSVILLE REPEATLES [6PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO KRISTIN NICHOLLS

TUESDAY 17TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ABSINTHE THE WILD LIFE, THE HAPPY FITS [7PM]
ALE HOUSE OPEN STAGE w/BOOM BABIEZ [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE THE TREBLECASTERS [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN IRISH JAM [8:30PM]
CULANTRO'S OPEN MIC w/DAN CIAVARELLA [7PM]
DOORS KVNE, RODERICK PORTER, BADLOOK, YOUNG VERCETTI, RYAN, LOWKEYTMM [9PM]
END ZONE MIUZIA [8PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO OPEN JAM
LUKAYA CAFE SONGWRITER NIGHT w/DAVE POMFRET [7PM]
MAX'S TROUBADOUR

WEDNESDAY 18TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

AUGUSTA HOUSE OPEN MIC w/ANTHONY VAUGHN [8PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL DAVID LIEBE HART [8PM]
COACH & LANTERN SINGALONG WITH JUDY
CORKTOWN OPEN MIC JAM w/DAVE GOULD
DOORS JOHNNY 2 FINGERS, DOORS & FOURS, COFFIN JOCKEYS [8:30PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO PONCHO KID
MAX'S ROB REED
REBEL'S ROCK PAT KING & FRIENDS [7PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD VAUDEVILLIAN & GUESTS [8PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL

CAT 'N' FIDDLE JAZZ JAM [9:30PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

ABSINTHE MOTOWN WEDNESDAY [10PM]

THURSDAY 19TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR CANTRIP [8PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS JAM NIGHT w/THE PERSONICS [8PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL THAT'S MY DRAG [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE THE GORMLEY BROS. [9:30PM]
COACH & LANTERN OPEN MIC [9PM]
CULANTRO'S FERNANDO MEJIA [7:30PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO VINNIE & VAUGHN
LOU DAWG'S CHRIS CHAMBERS [8:30PM]
MAX'S CHRIS AYRIES
MILLS HARDWARE CHRIS CRESSWELL, CHUCK COLES [8PM]
PEASANT PLUCKER THE ENDING TO THIS STORY [10PM]
POWERHOUSE OMAR SAAB [5:30PM]
REBEL'S ROCK IRISH SESSION w/ANN GORMAN MCKINNEY & GUESTS [7PM]
SOUTHCOTE 53 DEREK PALANGO [5:30PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
GEORGE HAMILTON OPEN JAM w/TIM NINEHOUSE AND MR. JAY & CHRIS WIERSMA [9PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP
AUGUSTA HOUSE DJ ROB HAMILTON [10PM]
DOORS PARKFROMCC, KIDLIFTED, SMOOTHIE LU, Q.U.A.Y.S.O.N., MRXDOLLO, EL SANCHO, HOSS BOWMAN [9PM]

FRIDAY 20TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR TIA MCGRAFF, TOMMY PARHAM, DUANNE RUTTER, DAVID WELLS [8PM]
BLACK BULL TOMI SWICK, JOEL GUENTHER [6PM]
BLACK SWAN HAIR OF THE DOG [9:30PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS ACOUSTIC DUO [5PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE CHRIS WHEELER [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN EAST COAST KITCHEN PARTY [6:30PM]
DICKEN'S ECHO ECHO [10PM]
DUNAS VERDES OPEN JAM W/STEVE COLLETT [9PM]
END ZONE ALL THE THINGS
FIRTH'S CHRIS STREI
5 WEST FIDDLESTIX [9PM]
GATOR TED'S THE KILLIN' TIME BAND
LAZY FLAMINGO SOLDIERS OF HARMONY
LOU DAWG'S SOUND PARADE [10PM]
MAX'S Mo@Max
MILL ST. & 5 LEAU DOWN [9PM]
MILLS HARDWARE MOONTRICKS, SPARKEE [8PM]
POWERHOUSE KAY THE DESTROYER [10PM]
SLYE FOX NORTH SHORE BLVD [8:30PM]
STONEWALLS POWERGLIDE [9:30PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD WING NIGHT [9PM]
UPTOWN SOCIAL HOUSE DUELING PIANOS [9PM]
VICARS VICE CARM MILIOTO [7:30]
YE OLDE SQUIRE-FENNELL LLOYD ANDREWS

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL
AUGUSTA HOUSE SHADES OF BLUE REVUE [10PM]
BARBARA CAFFE KELLY AND HEATHER DEL FIACCO [6PM]
CAVALLO NERO HENRY STRONG DUO [6:30PM]
EDENS MICHAEL JOBITY [6PM]
MATTTSON & CO. THE ESCAPEE TRIO [7PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

CLUB 54 DJ KEITH
CLUB 77 DJ
SHAOLIN UNDERGROUND DJ BIGTRBL [10PM]
SOUS BAS COREY DAWKINS

SATURDAY 21ST ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ABSINTHE SANDMAN, IRON PRIEST [9PM]
ARTWORD ARTBAR CLIC-CLAC [8PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS CORINNE PLOMISH [2PM], LADIES BLUE [8PM]

CASBAH-MAIN HALL BOY AND BEAR [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE DAVE POMFRET [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN COVER2COVER [8PM]
DICKEN'S REFLEXION [10PM]
END ZONE FLASH JOHNSON
5 WEST UPROAR [9:30PM]
FOX & FIDDLE MARK GUNN [5:30PM]
GATOR TED'S REBEL JOE
HONEST LAWYERS-FENNELL TRISH O'NEILL & THE BLUES PIRATES [9PM]
INNSVILLE WHITE ZALTZ [8PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO LO FI
MAX'S Mo@Max
MILL ST. & 5 MIKE WOOD [9PM]
MILLS HARDWARE TOMMY YOUNGSTEEN [8PM]
POWERHOUSE DRAMA ZOID [10PM]
PUB FICTION THE MCFlys
REBEL'S ROCK OPEN STAGE [8PM]
SLYE FOX THE HIT DISTURBERS BAND [8:30PM]
SPURS CITY KIDS [3PM]
STONEWALLS ALL THE THINGS [9:30PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD VAMPIRA [9PM]
UPTOWN SOCIAL HOUSE JAMES ANTHONY BAND W/GUESTS [2:30PM], DUELING PIANOS [9PM]
WINCHESTER ARMS DIRTY PIONEERS [8:30PM]
YE OLDE SQUIRE-FENNELL CHRIS CHAMBERS

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL

BRASSIE DUSTIN'S BLUES DUO [9PM]
CASABLANCA KELLY DEL FIACCO [6PM]
CAVALLO NERO HENRY STRONG DUO [6PM]
EDENS MICHAEL JOBITY [6PM]
MATTTSON & CO. THE ALTERED TRIO [7PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

CLUB 54 DJ KEITH - MAIN ROOM [10:30PM], DJ CESAR - LATIN ROOM [10:30PM]
CLUB 77 DREZO
SHAOLIN UNDERGROUND DJ BIGTRBL [10PM]
SOUS BAS MANARA, A.G., NINO BROWN

SUNDAY 22ND ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ABSINTHE EXALT, SEWN EYES, ETERNAL SLEEP [7PM]
AUGUSTA HOUSE JON'SON & JON'SON [7PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS DARREN HANCOCK [2PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL PONY [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE STEVE SINNICKS [4:30PM], STRUMMERS UNION [9PM]
CORKTOWN THE RUDDY RUCKUS, THE GRAHAM KO BAND, BABY DRAYTON [8PM]
DICKEN'S MYKL [2PM], BRAD SUMAK, MIKE OLIVIERI [10PM]
5 WEST RICH CLOKE [3PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO THE ZIPPER KINGS
THE LIONSHED SHARI & JONNY [9PM]

MAX'S SARAH MILLS
REBEL'S ROCK PAUL'S SUNDAY JAM [4PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD TOMMY & THE COMMIES PLUS GUESTS [3PM], SUNGLACIERS, PACER, CAPITOL [8PM]
THE WESTDALE THE INKSPOTS [3PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL

LOU DAWG'S COREY MERCER [2PM]
PEPPERWOOD BISTRO MICHAEL MAGUIRE [10:30AM]
STONEWALLS BRANT PARKER [3PM]

MONDAY 23RD ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

CAT 'N' FIDDLE NEW REBEL WESTERNERS [9:30PM]
INNSVILLE RePEATLES [6PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO KRISTIN NICHOLLS

TUESDAY 24TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ALE HOUSE OPEN STAGE W/BOOM BABIEZ [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE THE TREBLECASTERS [9:30PM]
CORKTOWN IRISH JAM [8:30PM]
CULANTRO'S OPEN MIC W/DAN CIAVARELLA [7PM]
END ZONE MARK GUNN [8PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO OPEN JAM
LUKAYA CAFE SONGWRITER NIGHT W/DAVE POMFRET [7PM]
MAX'S TROUBADOUR
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD REAL SICKIES, CANDY HANGOVER, RAT PARADE [8PM]

WEDNESDAY 25TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARTWORD ARTBAR EWAN MACINTYRE [8PM]
AUGUSTA HOUSE OPEN MIC W/ANTHONY VAUGHN [8PM]
COACH & LANTERN SINGALONG WITH JUDY
CORKTOWN OPEN MIC JAM W/DAVE GOULD
LAZY FLAMINGO PONCHO KID
REBEL'S ROCK PAT KING & FRIENDS [7PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD FLY PAN AM, SIANSPHERIC, HOARDS [8PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL

CAT 'N' FIDDLE JAZZ JAM [9:30PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

ABSINTHE MOTOWN WEDNESDAY [10PM]
CASBAH-LOUNGE GORDON LEVERTON [8PM]

THURSDAY 26TH ROCK | FOLK | COUNTRY

ARMY & NAVY CLUB BIG JOHN AND THE NIGHT TRIPPERS
ARTWORD ARTBAR THE PLANET OF THE LOOPS [8PM]
CARRIGAN ARMS JAM NIGHT W/THE PERSONICS [7:30PM]
CASBAH-MAIN HALL LONG RANGE HUSTLE [8PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE LANCE E [9:30PM]
COACH & LANTERN OPEN MIC [9PM]
CULANTRO'S FERNANDO MEJIA [7:30PM]
LAZY FLAMINGO VINNIE & VAUGHN
LOU DAWG'S CHRIS CHAMBERS [8:30PM]
MAX'S CHRIS AUCKER
PHEASANT PLUCKER JESSICA SOULE TRIO [10PM]
POWERHOUSE K.C. LEE [5:30PM]
REBEL'S ROCK IRISH SESSION W/ANN GORMAN MCKINNEY & GUESTS [7PM]
SOUTHCOTE 53 JAMIE PETRIE [5:30PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD DOOBIE FREAKS [8PM]

JAZZ | BLUES | CLASSICAL

CORKTOWN DARCY HEPNER [8PM]
GEORGE HAMILTON OPEN JAM W/TIM NINEHOUSE AND MR. JAY [9PM]

DJ | ELECTRONIC | HIP HOP

AUGUSTA HOUSE DJ ROB HAMILTON [10PM]

KARAOKE & TRIVIA

BARTON TOUCHDOWN PUB KARAOKE FRIDAYS W/HELENA QUINN [9:30PM]
BIG ED'S KARAOKE FRIDAYS W/GEORGE BUTLER [8PM], SATURDAYS W/SCARYOKE MONSTERS [10PM]
BLACK SWAN KARAOKE SATURDAYS [9:30PM], TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS [7PM]
BO'S KARAOKE EVERY OTHER TUESDAY [8:30PM]
BOSTON PIZZA-BARTON TRIVIA MONDAYS W/HUB OF THE HAMMER. [7:30PM]. "THE OFFICE" TRIVIA NIGHT LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH /HUB OF THE HAMMER. NEXT DATE SEPT. 25.
BOSTON PIZZA-MAIN ST. W. TRIVIA SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH W/HUB OF THE HAMMER [7:30PM]
BRASSIE PUB KARAOKE SUNDAYS HOSTED BY "RUBY KARAOKE"[8:30PM], TRIVIA TUESDAYS HOSTED BY "RUBY PUB TRIVIA [8PM]
CADILLAC JAX KARAOKE THURSDAYS AND SUNDAYS W/SCARYOKE MONSTERS [9PM], KARAOKE FRIDAY AND SATURDAYS W/BIGGIE ENTERTAINMENT [9PM]
CALEDONIA LEGION KARAOKE FRIDAYS W/DJ SHELLEY
CARRIGAN ARMS KARAOKE FRIDAYS W/RANDY AND

VICKI [9:30PM], TRIVIA MONDAYS W/KEN OAKLEY [7:30PM]

CASBAH-MAIN HALL KARAOKE CABARET W/THE EYE OF FAITH. 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH [9PM]
CAT 'N' FIDDLE TRIVIA SEPT. 17 & 24 [7PM]
CLANCY'S KARAOKE WEDNESDAYS [9PM]
COACH & LANTERN TRIVIA TUESDAYS [7PM]
DICKENS KARAOKE THURSDAYS [9:30PM]
END ZONE KARAOKE THURSDAYS W/ANNE [8PM], KARAOKE SUNDAYS W/DOWN TO EARTH ENTERTAINMENT [9PM]
FIONN MCCOOL'S-UNIVERSITY PLAZA TRIVIA THURSDAYS [7:30PM]
5 WEST TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS W/JIMMY THE QUIZMASTER [7:30PM]
GALLEY PUMP KARAOKE SATURDAYS W/BRIAN [9PM]
GLADSTONE KARAOKE FRIDAYS /BIG STAR KARAOKE [9PM]
GRAIN & GRIT TRIVIA THURSDAYS [7PM]
HER MAJESTY'S ARMY AND NAVY VETERANS SOCIETY KARAOKE SATURDAYS W/GEORGE [4PM]
HONEST LAWYER-KING ST. KARAOKE THURSDAYS [7PM]

LOU DAWG'S TRIVIA TUESDAYS W/HUB OF THE HAMMER [8PM], LIVE BAND KARAOKE W/SOUND PARADE FRIDAYS
MOSAIC TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS [7:30PM]
NOBODY'S PERFECT KARAOKE W/MIKE, WEDNESDAYS [7PM], SUNDAYS [5PM]
ODDS TRIVIA SUNDAYS [3PM]
PLUCKER'S TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS [8PM]
POUR HOUSE KARAOKE WEDNESDAYS
PRIME TIME KARAOKE THURSDAYS [8PM]
PUB FICTION TRIVIA MONDAYS HOSTED BY "RUBY PUB TRIVIA" [8PM]
R.H.L.I. KARAOKE THURSDAYS W/HARRY. [7:30PM]
RUMAK KARAOKE SATURDAYS [9:30PM]
ST. LOUIS BAR AND GRILL KARAOKE SATURDAYS W/DONNY OSBORNE [10PM]
SLYE FOX TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS [7:30PM], KARAOKE THURSDAYS [8:30PM]
STONEWALLS PUBSTUMPERS TRIVIA WEDNESDAYS [7:30PM]; THE OFFICE TRIVIA SEPT. 24: DISNEY CATS & DOGS [7:30PM]
TAPS KARAOKE FRIDAYS [9PM], KARAOKE SUNDAYS [6PM]
THIS AIN'T HOLLYWOOD FRIENDS OF KARAOKE AUG. 8 [9PM]
TRACIE'S PLACE KARAOKE EVERY NIGHT [7PM-2AM], & FRIDAYS [5PM-2AM], KIDS WELCOME UNTIL 9PM
TWISTED TAPS KARAOKE THURSDAYS [10PM]
UPTOWN SOCIAL HOUSE TRIVIA MONDAYS [7:30PM]
WEST END KARAOKE WEDNESDAYS [10PM]
WINDJAMMER KARAOKE TUESDAYS [8PM]
WOBBLEY SCOTSMEN KARAOKE FRIDAYS W/CHEFBOYRDJ, KARAOKE SATURDAYS W/SEÑOR WES

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IT CHAPTER TWO



It Chapter Two is a sprawling horror film that is slightly less focused than its predecessor. That may be due to the nearly 3 hour running time that not only wants to deliver another story set decades later but also interject scenes with the original cast. Both generations are solid and the scare scenes are uniformly fantastic but it sort of feels like the filmmakers had a bunch of deleted scenes they stuffed in here, losing the simplicity of the first movie's storytelling with pointless back-story. But despite minor flaws, Chapter Two delivers a freaky and fantastically absorbing horror experience.

Twenty-seven years after Losers Club defeated the horror of the demon Pennywise the Dancing Clown (Bill Skarsgard) in the 1980s, Mike (Isaiah Mustafa) invites the grown-up Losers to return to

Derry. Arriving a bit befuddled about their lack of memories from years ago is Bill (James McAvoy), Bev (Jessica Chastain), Eddie (James Ransone), Ben (Jay Ryan) and Richie (Bill Hader). Soon they start to recall the events of Pennywise terrorizing them as the clown horror returns. Mike has a plan to defeat Pennywise once and for all but it involves the adults coming to terms with their past, which is made more complicated by the escaped insane asylum murderer Henry (Teach Grant). And when they finally confront Pennywise it will lead to things even more insane. The casting for the adults Losers Club is great as they recall the original kid actors but feel like people who have lived decades away. McAvoy's Bill falls back into the stutter he had as a kid as he has to deal with guilt over his brother Georgie's death

at the maw of Pennywise. Chastain seems like Bev's childhood traumas made her harsher while Ransone's Eddie is a hypochondriac with great quips. Ben has changed quite a lot physically but still seems the same timid person. Like Finn Wolfhard in the first film, Hader's Richie is constantly making jokes which adds levity. Mike has a rather convoluted plan to stop Pennywise and has become an expert on the creature, so he primarily delivers a ton of exposition.

As Pennywise, Skarsgard creates a memorable monster and every time he's on screen it's riveting. There is a lot of VFX to make Pennywise be the monster he is, especially in the third act, but it's always incredibly creepy with his vocal performance and twitchy mannerisms. The scare scenes with Pennywise all have a nice slow build. A scene with Bill trapped in a hall of mirrors with flickering lighting is fantastic. Bev gets a good scene with a seemingly helpful old lady that turns nasty and Richie has a public confrontation with Pennywise that twists reality into a nightmare.

The crazed bully Henry worked well in the first film; it was as if the horror of Pennywise was seeping into the people's brains. Here Henry is slightly less menacing this time around as Grant's version isn't quite as freaky as the younger version. This one just seems like a generic guy off his rocker. Still, he's good for a secondary antagonist and his final scene is satisfyingly messy.

The movie continually flashes back to the kid Losers club in the 1980s which is a mixed bag. All of the younger actors work well in the roles as all of the kids get a creepy encounter not shown in the first film. The scenes work great as individual pieces however it feels a bit redundant; these scenes would have taken place during the events of the first film so why were they not there originally? It also sort of robs the scenes of tension as

the flashbacks seem kind of pointless since we know the kids defeated Pennywise. Also, narrative momentum of the story has shifted to the future and the flashbacks seem superfluous. Even if these are new scenes for Chapter Two it still feels like they're finding It deleted scenes to put in this movie. The flashbacks add to the film being a bit on the longish side. Also wearing is the fact that this movie has like six endings in a row which makes the ending not as concise as the original film's zippy wrap up.

Seeing where the Losers club start out 27 years later is interesting, Bill is a writer, Richie is a stand up comedian, and Bev has a husband that is disturbingly like her father but only some of it pays off dramatically. Still, occasionally, there is a nice new parallel to the present stuff as the adults see the kid versions of themselves in their memories. Also, when things get crazy with Pennywise's illusions there're a few scenes where the adults meet the kid versions which is really trippy. The final battle of the Losers versus Pennywise has a few glimpses of the creature's true identity which is monstrously twisted.

It Chapter Two is a solid follow up to the first film. It may throw a lot at the screen for a bit too long of a running time but it has solid scare moments where it counts. This is a nightmare journey that takes the Losers Club to their final confrontation with an ancient evil and ends with a satisfying bang. **V**

IT CHAPTER TWO

★★★★☆

Director: Andy Muschietti

Writers: Gary Dauberman (screenplay by), Stephen King

Starring: Jessica Chastain, James McAvoy and Bill Hader

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MINI REVIEWS

ANGEL HAS FALLEN

★☆☆☆☆

(Directed by Ric Waugh, runs 121) *Angel Has Fallen* is the third film in the clenched-and-gritty action franchise starring Gerard Butler as Secret Service agent Mike Banning, a man whose job has provided him opportunities to slaughter bad guys by the truckload in Washington and London in previous chapters, but who's now forced to go on the run when he's framed for an assassination attempt on the current president (Morgan Freeman). Switching up the franchise's Die Hard template for a riff on *The Fugitive* feels like a good move, as does the notion that Mike's previous ordeals have left him with physical and psychological damage that's starting to affect his marriage. But every interesting idea gets ground down by

director/co-writer Waugh's frenzied, soulless execution of the standard run-and-gun junk, with characters running around barking exposition while unloading massive ordnance at one another. Nick Nolte turns up as Mike's long-absent dad, and though it's briefly fun to watch these two actors growl at one another, the movie doesn't really do anything with the idea of their reconciliation under fire other than set up a really weird joke about the damage wrought by the Vietnam War. The best thing you can say about this one is that it's not as racist as the previous two. So it's got that going for it, I guess. (N.W.)

BRITTANY RUNS A MARATHON

★★★☆☆

(Directed by Paul Colaizzo, runs 103) *Brittany Runs A Marathon* gives Jillian Bell a much-deserved showcase as a hard-living

Brooklynite who resolves to get into shape after a diagnosis of terrible health, only to find herself backsliding at every opportunity. Writer/director Colaizzo's first feature turns out to be a little more thoughtful than the elevator pitch makes it sound: sure, there are opportunities for Bell to suffer comically while running the gauntlet of a New York city block, but Brittany's a fully developed character, and her situation plays out realistically rather than as a string of workout jokes. (Bell lost some 40 pounds over the course of the shoot, but we never get the feeling we're watching a stunt.) The supporting players who enter her orbit are similarly complex people rather than types: Bell's Sword Of Trust co-star Michaela Watkins does a lot with a smallish role of a brittle neighbour who tries to get Brittany to join her running group, and Utkarsh Ambudkar gives his shallow house-sitting hipster just enough warmth

to be a credible love interest. The beats of the plot are pretty standard: hero sets goals, experiences setbacks, learns it's not the destination that matters but the journey and the friends we make along the way. But even though *Brittany Runs A Marathon* goes exactly where it says it will, it gets there on its own prickly terms, just like its hero. And Bell, finally getting to carry a movie after years as a supporting player, never makes a wrong step. (N.W.)

HUSTLERS

★★★☆☆

(Directed by Lorene Scafaria, runs 110) *Hustlers* is a *Goodfellas*-style caper. But here, the fellas are easy marks and women make the money moves. The satisfaction is undeniable. Constance Wu and Jennifer Lopez star as exotic dancers who graduate to grand larceny, fleecing tens of thousands by

the hour from unsuspecting Wall Street types, using a cocktail of seduction and ketamine. Lorene Scafaria's movie romanticizes the crime (based on a true story) with good reason. As far as everyone is concerned, the victims are the dudes who perpetrated the recession. The hustle is all about taking back what those douchebags stole, and then pouring it into new Louis Vuitton bags. *Hustlers* keeps things fun in a conventional crime movie way, but it also doesn't dig very deep with its characters and their relationships. (R.S.)

IT CHAPTER TWO

★★★☆☆ (Directed by Andy Muschietti, runs 169) *It Chapter Two* picks up 27 years later. The killer clown, Pennywise, played so creepily by Bill Skarsgård, returns to terrorize the small town of Derry. The pubescent

teens make way for stars like James McAvoy, Bill Hader and Jessica Chastain playing their adult versions. They're summoned back to Derry to run around in haunted houses and stare down nightmarish visions all over again, this time for nearly three ass-numbing hours. This is a plot not at all ashamed of its redundancy. The adult actors are fine and talented folk who resemble their younger counterparts in both looks and performance. But they can't muster up the chemistry or emotions to make us care about their new (or returning) emotional issues. Instead, this forgettable movie coasts on the emotional connections that were made from the first chapter, trotting out flashbacks as if to remind us to care. (R.S.)

LUCE

★★★☆☆

(Directed by Julius Onah, runs 109) Luce is a prickly drama about a young Black man straddling the extremes between praise and punishment. Kevin Harrison, Jr. plays the titular star athlete and academic. Luce is also a former child refugee from Eritrea, rescued from wartime traumas and adopted by eager white liberal parents, Amy (Naomi Watts) and Peter (Tim Roth). They raise him into an impeccably packaged success story. Chipping away at Luce's all-too-perfect demeanour is his history teacher, Harriet Wilson (Octavia Spencer), who is suspicious about the poster boy after a troubling paper he wrote for her class. As the narrative progresses and the plot thickens, the film keeps us guessing as to whether Ms. Wilson has an agenda, taking extrajudicial steps to address Luce's curious behaviour, or whether the student himself is on a destructive path, perhaps to dismantle the symbol he's made to be. The film, like the play it's based on, drags out the suspense, keeping us at a distance from Luce, who remains impenetrable. He's less an empathetic character and more an idea; a functional conduit in a plot that is eager to tee up loaded conversations about race, wokeness, over-policing and rape culture. (R.S.)

SCARY STORIES TO TELL IN THE DARK

★★★☆☆

(Directed by André Øvredal, runs 111) Scary Stories To Tell In The Dark refashions Alvin Schwartz's children's books into an appealingly creepy ghost story for youngish viewers taking their first tentative steps into grown-up horror. Set in 1968, the film follows three small-town pals (Zoe Colletti, Gabriel Rush, Austin Zajur) and their new friend (Michael Garza) who hide out from Halloween bullies in a haunted house and end up cursed to live out bespoke nightmares written for

them by an angry spirit. The individual curses let the movie nod to the books' anthology structure while still building a master narrative that lets Øvredal (Trollhunter, The Autopsy Of Jane Doe) play with teen-sleuthing tropes while also fleshing out the town's history and orchestrating some appropriately intense set pieces. Producer/co-writer Guillermo del Toro makes sure the texture of the film is up to his usual standards - that drive-in image of Night Of The Living Dead has just the right scuzziness - while also baking some interesting social and political commentary into the heart-land setting. (The action takes place in the days leading up to Richard Nixon's election, and Garza's Latino character is unquestionably an outsider in white-bread Mill Valley.) It's a little on the long side, and most of the secondary characters are just sketches, but when it focuses on the spookhouse stuff - or when Colletti and Garza get a chance to develop their awkward, gentle chemistry - it's pretty satisfying. And when you're not bracing for the next scare, keep an eye out for local talent: Kim's Convenience's Rodrigo Fernandez-Stoll pops up at that drive-in, and Stephanie Belding and David Tompa work at the local psychiatric hospital. (N.W.)

WHERE'D YOU GO, BERNADETTE

★★☆☆☆

(Directed by Richard Linklater, runs 104) Where'd You Go, Bernadette is a sleepwalker's adaptation of Maria Semple's 2012 novel about a Seattle teenager investigating her mother's disappearance; the whole thing feels disconnected from itself, swerving in tone from a comedy of manners to a midlife-crisis drama to a character study and back again. Radically restructuring Semple's novel - which opened with 14-year-old Bee (Emma Nelson) excavating her mom's correspondence and her parents' relationship in the wake of her disappearance - the film now moves in a linear fashion, starting weeks earlier and simply laying stuff out for us: Bernadette is prickly; husband Elgin (Billy Crudup) is well-meaning but distracted; misunderstandings, deceptions and inattention all lead to an intervention that goes very, very badly. There's precisely one scene where Linklater seems to be fully present: a centerpiece interweaving two separate conversations that serves as both an info-dump and a compelling assessment of the ways in which a couple that's been together for decades can utterly fail to know each other. And then the scene ends, and the electricity just fizzles out and we go back to wondering why we're supposed to care about what these people do with their hollow, entitled lives. (N.W.)

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BUSY BROKERS

IT IS THE time of year when mortgage brokers are busy and this usually means a strong fall season is upon us real estate brokers but I would not count my chickens before they hatch — this year. It seems the re-fi, or in layman terms the refinancing option, is quickly becoming the choice of many and maybe soon the majority. When talking with mortgage brokers it seems more and more clients are deciding to re-fi their existing properties instead of selling and moving on up. The low interest rates usually entice those with room on their mortgages to upgrade their homes by buying a new home but more and more people are taking current home.

In the past few weeks I have had people choose to upgrade their homes instead of buying since they do not want to be saddled with a larger mortgage. Instead they are draining the equity on their homes — paying off debt — then doing upgrades to make it seem like they are re-investing in their home. This way they can keep up with the Joneses by doing a refresh on their home and pay down their debt. You would think by draining out all the equity they would be paying just as much as buying a new home but when you amortize the money over 30 years it is just a little bump in their monthly budget. If they max out their line of credits and do the renovations then it is easier to afford since they just pay the interest and not the principle which will come back to haunt them once they get back into debt.

I talk to mortgage brokers and they say 8 out of 10 people are refinancing instead of selling their home which slows down the real estate market. This will all come to a head when the interest rates rise and the banks stop lending. I also spoke with a friend who called their credit card company looking for an increase and after being denied they asked why and the supervisor said your credit is great but the company is not increasing anyone's credit at this time. That seems like a red flag to me. Credit card companies are playing it safe and banks are lending out cheap money — what is coming next?

Recession is the next word that will be blasted all over the media in the coming months but Canada will probably skirt it once again since our lending practices are still conservative even though our debt ratios are the highest they have ever been. Trump's wars with the Chinese and anyone else he tweets about will cause havoc in the near future. So before he screws it all up for everyone get all you can before the purse strings are tightened and we have to ride the wave of a recession that will hit the world but we will be able to ride it — just without room to breath! **V**

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♈ ARIES (March 21–April 19): Hi, I'm your sales representative for UnTherapy, a free program designed to provide healing strategies for people who are trying too hard. Forgive me for being blunt, but I think you could benefit from our services. I don't have space here to reveal all the secrets of UnTherapy, but here's an essential hint: every now and then the smartest way to outwit a problem is to stop worrying, let it alone, and allow it to solve itself.

♉ TAURUS (April 20–May 20): People in Northeast India weave long, strong suspension bridges out of the living roots of fig trees. The structures can measure up to 150 feet and bear the weight of hundreds of people. In accordance with astrological omens, let's make these marvels your metaphors of power for the coming weeks. To stimulate your meditations, ask yourself the following questions. 1. How can you harness nature to help you to get where you need to go? 2. How might you transform instinctual energy so that it better serves your practical needs? 3. How could you channel wildness so that it becomes eminently useful to you?

♊ GEMINI (May 21–June 20): If you climb to the top of Mt. Everest, you're standing on land that was once on the floor of a shallow tropical sea. Four-hundred-million-year-old fossils of marine life still abide there in the rock. Over the course of eons, through the magic of plate tectonics, that low flat land got folded and pushed upwards more than five miles. I suspect you Geminis will have the power to accomplish a less spectacular but still amazing transformation during the next ten months. To get started, identify what you would like that transformation to be.

♋ CANCER (June 21–July 22): In 1996, when Gary Kasparov was rated the world's best chess player, he engaged in a series of matches with a chess-playing computer named Deep Blue. Early on in the first game, Deep Blue tried a move that confused Kasparov. Rattled, he began to wonder if the machine was smarter than him. Ultimately, his play suffered and he lost the game. Later it was revealed that Deep Blue's puzzling move was the result of a bug in its code. I'll encourage you to cultivate a benevolent bug in your own code during the coming weeks, Cancerian. I bet it will be the key to you scoring a tricky victory.

♌ LEO (July 23–Aug. 22): American hero Harriet Tubman escaped slavery as a young woman. She ran away from the wealthy "master" who claimed to "own" her, and reached sanctuary. But rather than simply enjoy her freedom, she dedicated herself to liberating other slaves. Nineteen times she returned to enemy territory and risked her life, ultimately leading 300 people out of hellish captivity. Later she served as a scout, spy, and nurse in the Union Army during the Civil War, where her actions saved another 700 people. In 1874, the U.S. Congress considered but then ultimately rejected a bill to pay her \$2,000 for her numerous courageous acts. Don't you dare be like Congress in the coming weeks, Leo. It's crucial that you give tangible acknowledgment and practical rewards to those who have helped, guided, and supported you.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23–Sept. 22): Novelist Wallace Stegner wrote, "Some are born in their place, some find it, some realize after long searching that the place they left is the one they have been searching for." I hope that in the last nine months, Virgo, you have resolved which of those three options is true for you. I also trust that you have been taking the necessary actions to claim and own that special place—to acknowledge it and treasure it as the power spot where you feel most at home in the world. If you have not yet fully finished what I'm describing here, do it now.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 23–Oct. 22): Earth's species are going extinct at a rate unmatched since the dinosaurs died out 65 million years ago. Among the

creatures on the verge of being lost forever are birds like the cryptic treehunter and spix's macaw, as well as the northern white rhino and the vaquita, a type of porpoise. So why don't we clone the last few individuals of those beleaguered species? Here are the answers. 1. Cloned animals typically aren't healthy. 2. A species needs a sizable population to retain genetic diversity; a few individuals aren't sufficient. 3. Humans have decimated the homes of the threatened species, making it hard for them to thrive. Conclusion: Cloning is an inadequate stopgap action. Is there a better way to address the problem? Yes: by preserving the habitats of wild creatures. Inspired by this principle, Libra, I ask you to avoid trying halfway fixes for the dilemmas in your personal sphere. Summon full measures that can really work.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 23–Nov. 21): Though patched together and incomplete, the 2,200-year-old marble sculpture known as the Winged Victory of Samothrace is prominently displayed at Paris's Louvre Museum. It's a glorious depiction of Nike, the winged goddess of victory, and is regarded as one of ancient Greece's great masterpieces. For hundreds of years it was missing. Then in 1863, an archaeologist discovered it, although it was broken into more than a hundred pieces. Eventually, it was rebuilt, and much of its beauty was resurrected. I see the coming weeks as a time when you, too, could recover the fragments of an old treasure and begin reassembling it to make a pretty good restoration.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22–Dec. 21): "I've learned that I must find positive outlets for anger or it will destroy me," said actor Sidney Poitier. That can be a dynamic meditation for you during the next three weeks. I think you will derive substantial power from putting it into action. If you're ingenious and diligent about finding those positive outlets, your anger will generate constructive and transformative results.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22–Jan. 19): In 1905, at the age of 30, Lucy Maud Montgomery wrote the novel *Anne of Green Gables*. It was a tale about an orphan girl growing up on Prince Edward Island. She sent the manuscript to several publishers, all of whom rejected it. Discouraged, she put it away in a hatbox and stored it in a closet. But two years later, her ambitions reignited when she re-read the story. Again she mailed it to prospective publishers, and this time one liked it enough to turn it into a book. It soon became a bestseller. Since then it has sold over 50 million copies and been translated into 36 languages. I figure you Capricorns are at a point in your own unfolding that's equivalent to where Anne was shortly before she rediscovered the manuscript she'd put away in the hatbox.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 20–Feb. 18): The *Toxorhynchites* are species of large mosquitoes that don't buzz around our heads while we're trying to sleep and will never bite our skin or suck our blood. In fact, they're our benefactors. Their larvae feast on the larvae of the mosquitoes that are bothersome to us. In accordance with astrological omens, I propose that you be alert for a metaphorically comparable influence in your own life: a helper or ally that might be in disguise or may just superficially seem to be like an adversary.

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19–March 20): Audre Lord identified herself as a black writer, lesbian, librarian, mother, feminist, civil rights activist, and many other descriptors. But as ardent as she was in working for the political causes she was passionate about, she didn't want to be pigeonholed in a single identity. One of her central teachings was to celebrate all the different parts of herself. "Only by learning to live in harmony with your contradictions can you keep it all afloat," she testified. These approaches should be especially fun and extra meaningful for you in the coming weeks, Pisces. I encourage you to throw a big Unity Party for all the different people you are. ♠

ARIES (March 21–April 19): We're in the equinoctial season. During this pregnant pause, the sun seems to hover directly over the equator; the lengths of night and day are equal. For all of us, but especially for you, it's a favourable phase to conjure and cultivate more sweet symmetry, calming balance, and healing harmony. In that spirit, I encourage you to temporarily suspend any rough, tough approaches you might have in regard to those themes. Resist the temptation to slam two opposites together simply to see what happens. Avoid engaging in the pseudo-fun of purging by day and bingeing by night. And don't you dare get swept up in hating what you love or loving what you hate.

TAURUS (April 20–May 20): "I tell you what freedom is to me: no fear." So said singer and activist Nina Simone. But it's doubtful there ever came a time when she reached the perfect embodiment of that idyllic state. How can any of us empty out our anxiety so completely as to be utterly emancipated? It's not possible. That's the bad news, Taurus. The good news is that in the coming weeks you will have the potential to be as unafraid as you have ever been. For best results, try to ensure that love is your primary motivation in everything you do and say and think.

GEMINI (May 21–June 20): Some things don't change much. The beautiful marine animal species known as the pearly nautilus, which lives in the South Pacific, is mostly the same as it was 150 million years ago. Then there's Fuggerei, a walled enclave within the German city of Augsburg. The rent is cheap, about one U.S. dollar per year, and that fee hasn't increased in almost 500 years. While I am in awe of these bastions of stability, and wish we had more such symbolic anchors, I advise you to head in a different direction. During the coming weeks, you'll be wise to be a maestro of mutability, a connoisseur of transformation, an adept of novelty.

CANCER (June 21–July 22): Granny Smith apples are widely available. But before 1868, the tart, crispy, juicy fruit never existed on planet Earth. Around that time, an Australian mother of eight named Maria Ann Smith threw the cores of French crab apples out her window while she was cooking. The seeds were fertilized by the pollen from a different, unknown variety of apple, and a new type was born: Granny Smith. I foresee the possibility of a metaphorically comparable event in your future: a lucky accident that enables you to weave together two interesting threads into a fascinating third thread.

LEO (July 23–Aug. 22): "Every masterpiece is just dirt and ash put together in some perfect way," writes storyteller Chuck Palahniuk, who has completed several novelistic masterpieces. According to my analysis of the astrological omens, you Leos have assembled much of the dirt and ash necessary to create your next masterpiece, and are now ready to move on to the next phase. And what is that phase? Identifying the help and support you'll need for the rest of the process.

VIRGO (Aug. 23–Sept. 22): In 1959, scandal erupted among Americans who loved to eat peanut butter. Studies revealed that manufacturers had added so much hydrogenated vegetable oil and glycerin to their product that only 75 percent of it could truly be called peanut butter. So began a long legal process to restore high standards. Finally there was a new law specifying that no company could sell a product called "peanut butter" unless it contained at least 90 percent peanuts. I hope this fight for purity inspires you to conduct a metaphorically comparable campaign. It's time to ensure that all the important resources and influences in your life are at peak intensity and efficiency. Say NO to dilution and adulteration.

LIBRA (Sept. 23–Oct. 22): In 1936, the city of Cleveland, Ohio staged the Great Lakes Exposition, a 135-acre fair with thrill rides, art gal-

leries, gardens, and sideshows. One of its fun features was *The Golden Book of Cleveland*, a 2.5-ton, 6,000-page text the size of a mattress. After the expo closed down, the "biggest book in the world" went missing. If it still exists today, no one knows where it is. I'm going to speculate that there's a metaphorical version of *The Golden Book of Cleveland* in your life. You, too, have lost track of a major Something that would seem hard to misplace. Here's the good news: If you intensify your search now, I bet you'll find it before the end of 2019.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23–Nov. 21): In 1990, the New Zealand government appointed educator, magician, and comedian Ian Brackenbury Channell to be the official Wizard of New Zealand. His jobs include protecting the government, blessing new enterprises, casting out evil spirits, upsetting fanatics, and cheering people up. The coming weeks will be an excellent time to find your personal equivalents of an inspirational force like that. There's really no need to scrimp. According to my reading of the cosmic energies, you have license to be extravagant in getting what you need to thrive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22–Dec. 21): "Do silly things," advised playwright Anton Chekhov. "Foolishness is a great deal more vital and healthy than our straining and striving after a meaningful life." I think that's a perspective worth adopting now and then. Most of us go through phases when we take things too seriously and too personally and too literally. Bouts of fun absurdity can be healing agents for that affliction. But now is NOT one of those times for you, in my opinion. Just the reverse is true, in fact. I encourage you to cultivate majestic moods and seek out awe-inspiring experiences and induce sublime perspectives. Your serious and noble quest for a meaningful life can be especially rewarding in the coming weeks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22–Jan. 19): Before comedian Jack Benny died in 1974, he arranged to have a florist deliver a single red rose to his wife every day for the rest of her life. She lived another nine years, and received more than 3,000 of these gifts. Even though you'll be around on this earth for a long time, I think the coming weeks would be an excellent time to establish a comparable custom: a commitment to providing regular blessings to a person or persons for whom you care deeply. This bold decision would be in alignment with astrological omens, which suggest that you can generate substantial benefits for yourself by being creative with your generosity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20–Feb. 18): Actress and author Ruby Dee formulated an unusual prayer. "God," she wrote, "make me so uncomfortable that I will do the very thing I fear." As you might imagine, she was a brave activist who risked her reputation and career working for the Civil Rights Movement and other idealistic causes. I think her exceptional request to a Higher Power makes good sense for you right now. You're in a phase when you can generate practical blessings by doing the very things that intimidate you or make you nervous. And maybe the best way to motivate and mobilize yourself is by getting at least a bit flustered or unsettled.

PISCES (Feb. 19–March 20): Syndicated cartoon strip "Calvin and Hobbes" appeared for ten years in 2,400 newspapers in fifty countries. It wielded a sizable cultural influence. For example, in 1992, six-year-old Calvin decided "The Big Bang" was a boring term for how the universe began, and instead proposed we call it the "Horrendous Space Kabloolie." A number of real scientists subsequently adopted Calvin's innovation, and it has been invoked playfully but seriously in university courses and textbooks. In that spirit, I encourage you to give fun new names to anything and everything you feel like spicing up. You now have substantial power to reshape and revamp the components of your world. It's Identify–Shifting Time. **V**

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