





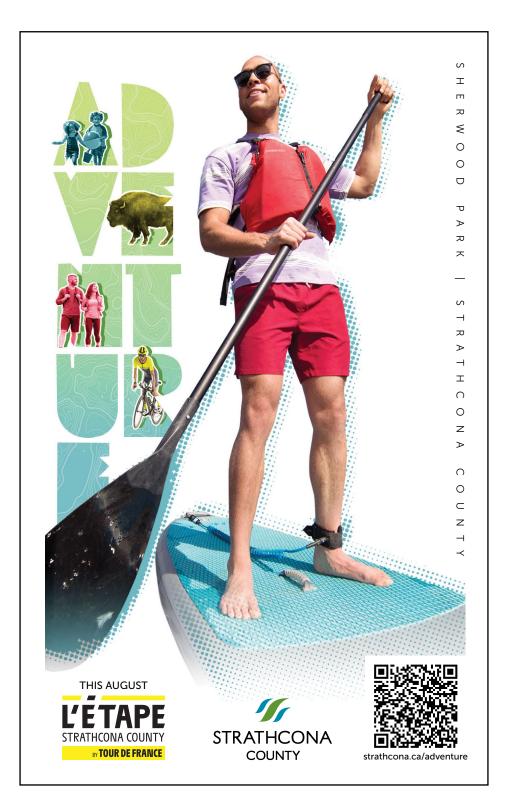
# THE 26TH ANNUAL QUALICO PATIO SERIES JULY 5TH – AUGUST 30TH, 2023

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#### **BEN SURES**

JULY 5. 2023 | FOLK/ROOTS Ben Sures' 25-year-deep catalogue is eclectic, spanning folk, country, jazz and rock'n'roll, and borrowing from blues, Sinti swing and West African guitar. But The Story That Lived Here, recorded mostly live at Tobacco and Rose Studios in Victoria, BC, with old friends Richard Moody (viola, violin, mandolin and vocals) and Scott White (upright bass), and with Rebecca Campbell adding backup vocals and percussion remotely from Toronto, is a satisfyingly cohesive and tender bluegrass-tinged album with a steady heartbeat. It's the perfect accompaniment for Sures' funny, honest, guirkily wise and wistful tunes.





#### **ELLEN DOTY**

#### JULY 5, 2023 | JAZZ

Ellen Doty is a soulful Canadian vocalist and songwriter with a worldclass voice. Her music incorporates everything from jazz to soul, folk, pop and indie music: a sound that is uniquely hers. Originally from Okotoks, AB, she currently makes her home in Edmonton. Doty is signed to Canadian jazz label Alma Records as well as Japanese label Impartmaint Records and her latest album "Come Fall" came out on Universal Music debuting at #1 on the iTunes Jazz Chart. She's toured across Canada, in the states, and in Japan over the last few years including a feature performance at Tokyo Jazz Festival.

# **JAYDEE BIXBY**

JULY 12, 2023 I COUNTRY/BLUEGRASS Country music is in Jaydee Bixby's blood. For generations, his relatives have been known as the Hillbilly Bixby's in Drumheller, AB, and Jaydee grew up singing at bars and rodeos with his parents' family band. Following in this great lineage of raw, honest country music is the 22-year-old's third fulllength album, Work in Progress.

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# **ST. ARNAUD**

JULY 12, 2023 | FOLK/ROOTS

Edmonton indie-folk ensemble St. Arnaud presents *Love And The Front Lawn* (Fierce Panda 2022): a tour-deforce of fun-loving melodies overlaying themes of death and anxiety. St. Arnaud has been featured on Exclaim!, BeatRoute Magazine, Indie 88, Earmilk, and more. LATFL single "Catching Flies" has received chart positions on NAC, Earshot, CKUA and has made it to the CBC Radio 3 top 10.



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# **ZACHARY WILLIER**

JULY 19, 2023 | COUNTRY/BLUEGRASS

Zachary Willier is a 18 year old indigenous singer, songwriter and fiddler who comes from Sucker Creek First Nation but is currently based out of Edmonton where he is performing at many different events all over the city. In April 2022 he was asked by the Royal Canadian National Geographic society to represent Alberta at the launch for the decade of indigenous languages in Ottawa. In March 2023 he released his first album including nine of his original songs which mixes the old country sound with his new, unique voice. Zach loves to bring back old songs as well as writing his own songs for performing, to showcase his own unique style of singing and playing.



## M\*A\*R\*S

#### JULY 19, 2023 | POP/ROCK

M\*A\*R<sup>\*</sup>S Vintage Rock 'n' Roll that will thrill your soul! These Middle-Aged Rock Stars are a group of fine musicians who have one thing in common: they love music and they love to entertain. With many years of collective musical experience behind them, they put this band together to play music and to have fun. It shows and the band shines!



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#### STEVON AND KAYLA JULY 26, 2023 | FOLK/ROOTS

Stevon & Kayla Artis are a husband and wife American/Canadian, multiinstrumentalists, songwriting duo. Each come from musical families, performing at young ages in their respective family bands, Music has always been a family affair. They perform music that speaks to fans across the musical spectrum crossing genres of Folk, Rock, Reggae, Blues, and more.

#### **THE HEARTS**

#### JULY 26, 2023 | FOLK/ROOTS

The Hearts deliver memorable melodies and moody harmonies that appeal evenly in soft seat theatres, dive bars, or at international music festivals. What sets them apart is just how naturally their down-to-earth song writing rests against a dreamy backdrop of custommade 'North Americana' textures - six captivating musicians blending into one unforgettable sound. Spanning four albums, The Hearts' music has been featured in HBO and MTV productions, received international critical acclaim, and charted across Canada. They've toured extensively and performed at international festivals including SXSW, Calgary & Edmonton Folk Festivals and Interstellar Rodeo. They're revered for delivering an exciting live show where they trade, layer and cohere splendidly - mixing equal parts glitter and grit.



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# **COMING THIS FALL - TICKETS ON SALE**

## PAVLO IN CONCERT "THE SANTORINI TOUR"

SEPTEMBER 23, 7:30PM

For being all instrumental, Pavlo's Mediterranean music speaks for itself. Over the span of his 20year career, Pavlo, an internationally renowned, award-winning recording artist, performer and songwriter. Born in Toronto to Greek parents, Pavlo has made a name for himself by offering a musical amalgam he simply calls "Mediterranean music" – a blend of Greek, flamenco, Latin, and even Balkan flavours, wrapped in contemporary pop.



# DANNY MICHEL

# OCTOBER 2, 7:30PM

Danny Michel's songs tell stories with humour and depth, and he's so engaging as a performer that his shows always sell out. Hear the honest and funny lyrics and melodies that could only come from the brilliant mind of Danny Michel.

#### COMMONWEALTH COMEDY TOUR

#### OCTOBER 6, 7:30PM

What happens when 2 Austrailans and 1 Canadian comic team up? You get the CommonWealth Comedy Tour! Festival Place is excited to host Ned Townsend, Lars Callieou and headliner Chris "The Bloke" Franklin as they make their way across Canada. These decorated comedians are sure to bring the laughs!

## LEONARD COHEN AND JONI MITCHELL -THE UNTOLD LOVE STORY

#### **OCTOBER 7, 7:30PM**

Leonard Cohen and Joni Mitchell: The Untold Love Story is produced by GNR Entertainment, the company behind the critically acclaimed musical portraits "The Story Of Linda Ronstadt", "Folsom Prison Revisited" and "Golden Ring: The Story of George Jones and Tammy Wynette, which consistently play to enthusiastic and sold-out audiences.



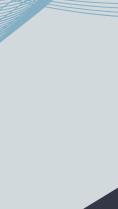


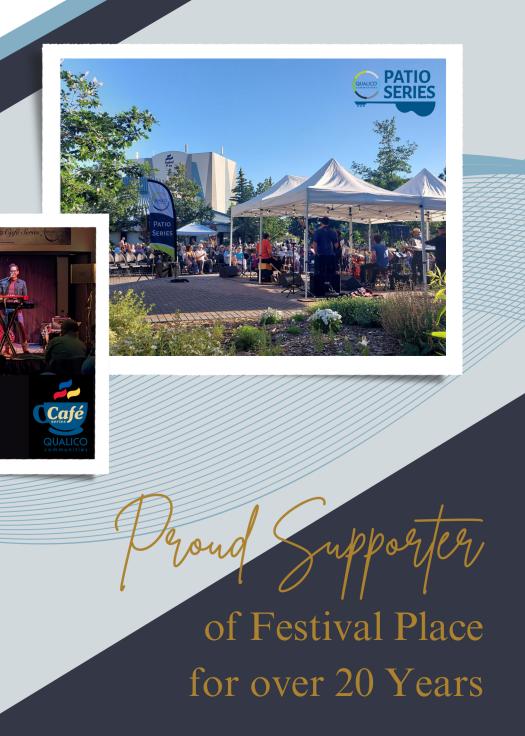












#### INN ECHO AUGUST 2, 2023 | CELTIC

Inn Echo weave hundreds of years of traditional tunes with contemporary originals and arrangements that both soar and make you catch your breath simultaneously. With technical precision, their mastery of instruments is the talk in the national and international folk music scene. From Music PEI awards to tours of Austria and Ireland, Inn Echo is bar none the traditional band to watch as they emerge as Prince Edward Islands greatest Celtic fusion exports in years to come. Innovative, creativelycrafted, and what Roots Music Canada coins as "a powerful sound," the soundscape laid down by this threepiece instrumental group is both wildly dynamic and delightfully distinctive – rightfully earning them Emerging Artist of the Year and Entertainer of the Year nominations for the 2020 Music PFI Awards



#### ANDREW ALLEN

AUGUST 2, 2023 | SINGER/SONGWRITER When you wear your heart on your sleeve it can be both a blessing and a curse to carry the gift of songwriting. Andrew, with his latest offering, '12:34' opens every emotion and shares the pain and struggle of losing love, the confusion and chaos of rediscovering yourself again, and the blissful happiness that comes in finding new love. He has scored five Top 10 hits in Canada — 2009's "I Wanna Be Your Christmas," 2010's "Loving You Tonight" (which was lodged in the upper reaches of the charts for more than 22 weeks), 2011's "I Want You," 2015's "What You Wanted," and 2016's "Favourite Christmas Song." As a songwriter, he's written with the likes of Meghan Trainor, Carly Rae Jepsen, and Tyler Shaw, to name a few. Overall, Andrew is one of those genuine, authentic, truly



talented artists that embodies the term live. Between his comic wit, his smooth vocals and his great songwriting, he's definitely a fun one to watch!

#### MY SISTER OCEAN AUGUST 9, 2023 | POP/ROCK

My Sister Ocean is a bass & drum duo from Edmonton Alberta that frequently collaborates with local musicians. They've shared the stage with many of Canada's leading acts and have captivated audiences on festival main stages for several years. Notable shows include the SiriusXM Stage at Grey Cup Fest in Edmonton with Big Wreck, Emerson Drive, and Bif Naked, as well as Campus Chaos featuring Hinder and Lil Jon. They've also been direct support for stellar acts such as Local H and Danko Jones. Their song Mountain Hound (feat. Jay Sparrow) was played on SiriusXM over 1300 times in 2 years. and they've been in the national Top 100 on the Alt or Modern Rock chart 5 times with no touring or significant marketing budget to speak of. They've been nominated for Best Rock Group and Best Rock Recording in the Edmonton Music Awards multiple times, and Holden's video work has



won 2 Edmonton Music Awards. The band has released new music on a regular basis as a bass and drum duo since 2005 and 2023 marks the 20th anniversary of their debut album Diary Writing & Bedtime Stories which they released as a power trio with Kevin Kossowan.

#### **ANDREA HOUSE**

AUGUST 9, 2023 | POP/ROCK

Andrea House sings, she composes; she tells universal stories in music. She writes her own original songs and performs them; she pays homage to the master songwriters of the past; and she creates in a vast spectrum of styles from jazz and country to folk. Edmonton's Andrea House is a stunningly, and mysteriously, multidimensional artist who lives and performs in the musical world — and steps across the frontier from time to time, theatre visa in hand, to communicate to audiences through bold narratives. Andrea's star-dusted voice is richly multi-angled and manysided, lush to ethereal. She has released three studio albums and has performed in Canada, the US, and even a few times very far from home. Musical highlights include performing



at the C'mon Festival, the Edmonton Folk Music Festival, and the Winspear Center for Music. Her album, Fire (2019), produced by Mitch Watkins, (Lyle Lovett, Leonard Cohen) can be found on Spotify and Apple Music.

#### **PAUL WOIDA**

AUGUST 16, 2023 | POP/ROCK

Paul Woida is a "one man band" who replicates the full sound of an entire band all by himself by using loops played and recorded live on the spot. His music can be described as pop/ singer-songwriter, and he is often compared to Ed Sheeran, Jason Mraz and Jeff Buckley. He is turning heads and winning the hearts of new fans everywhere he goes with his emotive vocals, unique live show and incredible musicianship. He is the winner of the Hot 107 \$10,000-dollar Hot Factor competition, placed 1st in the Edmonton Landmark Showcase competition and also placed first in the nation wide Breakforth Artist competition that received over 200 submissions. He also won a nation wide songwriting competition which allowed him to open for Meghan Trainor.





# PAULA NEDER

#### AUGUST 16, 2023 | WORLD

Paula Neder author, composer and music producer who intertwines folk music with rock and pop. She is one of the leading voices on the music scene in Mendoza, Argentina. Currently in Medellin, Colombia. This will be her first experience touring Canada, in which she arrives with her show "La fuerza". This solo set is music, is connection, a visceral encounter, here and now with the song.



# **KESARA WITH EVRLOVE**

**AUGUST 23, 2023 I POP/ROCK** Kesara is an Edmonton based artist, who has been involved in the music industry her entire life. She released her first EP in 2019 and has been featured with many different local artists. She has many more projects in the works.

#### 6th Annual in the "Spirit" Saturday, September 23, 2023 Clarion Hotel and Conference Centre

Sherwood Park, Alberta Tickets are available on Eventbrite.



#### JAZBAA ENTERTAINMENT AUGUST 23, 2023 | WORLD

Jazbaa was formed in 2018. Jazbaa meaning passion in Hindi, is a local band that brings you the music of Bollywood with a touch of East African flavor, covering Bollywood, Indian Pop, Rock and Swahili. Jazbaa brings you individuals from Kenya, Tanzania, Pakistan, India and Canada that have a varying experience in our genre. Hence providing a range of perspectives with the focus being more upbeat, energetic and spicy music.

## **COLLEEN RAE**

AUGUST 30, 2023 | COUNTRY/BLUEGRASS Colleen Rae is a multi-talented singer. songwriter musician and entertainer. Listeners have been falling in love with Colleen Rae's music for decades. In 2016 The Edmonton Music Awards awarded Colleen Rae "Artist To Watch" for her Sophomore CD. Rae was also honoured to receive nominations by the Western Canadian Music Award, Toronto Independent Music Awards, and the Canadian Country Music Association for her debut CD. Accolades include singing on an Alaska Cruise, performing at the Calgary Stampede, Big Valley Jamboree, the Edmonton Winspear, and including a special moment where Canadian icon



Dan Aykroyd joined Colleen Rae and CORNERSTONE on stage to perform!

## JOHNSON/MCDADE/ HILLHOUSE TRIO

AUGUST 30, 2023 I COUNTRY/BLUEGRASS Shannon Johnson is a highly accomplished fiddler and Juno Award winner for her work with her Celticworld fusion band The McDades . She began performing professionally at the age of eight, wowing music fans and critics with her strong, pure playing. She performs regularly with The McDades, Maria Dunn, Captain Tractor and the Strathcona String Quartet.

Jeremiah McDade is an award winning multi-instrumentalist, producer, arranger & composer. He frequently performs at festivals and theatres throughout North America & Europe with his Juno Award winning group "The McDades" as well as collaborating and recording with a wide variety of artists.

Andy Hillhouse has had a varied career in music. He has been a touring bandleader in the Anglo-Celtic music world, a choral director, a music and culture scholar, and now a festival organizer. As a musician he toured North America and Europe through the 1990s as founder and manager of the



folk rock/funk band Mad Pudding. Since 2000 he has toured with several of the Celtic music scene's most respected and exciting acoustic musicians, including west coast innovative fiddler Zavellennahh Huscroft, champion Canadian fiddler Pierre Schryer, Irish flute player Nuala Kennedy, and Juno winners The McDades.

# **COMING THIS FALL - TICKETS ON SALE**

# TOM WILSON

**OCTOBER 20, 7:30PM** 

Tom Wilson is a Canadian music legend, famed storyteller and visual artist. Wilson's memoir, Beautiful Scars published by Penguin/Random House has become a national bestseller. In his memoir. Wilson reveals the impact of discovering his indigenous heritage. Musically, Wilson is best known for his work with Blackie & The Rodeo Kings and Lee Harvey Osmond, the latter

# LEEROY STAGGER

**OCTOBER 27. 7:30PM** Leeroy Stagger is an artist hailing from Victoria, British Columbia. Leeroy has released 11 albums to date and won multiple awards including Western Canadian Music Awards for 'Roots Artist of the year' and 'Recording of the Year'. He has also won 'Artist of the Year' from the Canadian Folk Awards.

# DOG MAN THE MUSICAL

NOVEMBER 4, 3PM & 6PM

Dog Man: The Musical is a hilarious and heartwarming new production following the chronicles of Dog Man, who with the head of a dog and the body of a policeman, loves to fight crime and chew on the furniture. But while trying his best to be a good boy, can he save the city from Flippy the cyborg fish and his army of Beasty Buildings? Can he catch Petey, the world's most evil cat, who has cloned himself to exact revenge on the doggy do-gooder? And will George and Harold

# HYPROV

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finish their show before lunchtime?? Find out in this epic musical adventure featuring the hilarity and heart of beloved characters from Dav Pilkey, the creator of Captain Underpants. Recommended for ages 6-10.





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