

## Tiempo Libre to heat up Rose Theatre stage

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BRAMPTON — It's about to get hot in Brampton— well, at least the music is.

On Feb. 27 the high-voltage timba band Tiempo Libre will bring a dose of dance-inducing Cuban music to the Rose Theatre.

Hailed as America's first authentic all-Cuban timba band, Tiempo Libre has become known for its infectious performances of Latin jazz.

The group, whose members grew up in Cuba but are now based in Miami, has had three Grammy nominations for their upbeat, rhythmic music.

Music coming from the septet of highly-trained musicians is largely fuelled by their own Afro-Cuban traditions. Their first recording for Sony Masterworks, *Bach in Havana*, was nominated for a Grammy for Best Tropical Latin Album. Since then, they've released a timba recording (*My Secret Radio*), which pays homage to their teenage years in Cuba when the government banned American music.

The group has consistently sought different avenues for their music, and have collaborated on film projects, advertising campaigns, CDs by other musicians, orchestral programs, and theatre.

Tiempo Libre has also appeared on *The Tonight Show* and *Dancing With the Stars*.

They perform at 8 p.m. on Feb. 27 at the Rose Theatre. Tickets start at \$62. For details call the box office at 905-874-8200.



*Cuban timba band Tiempo Libre comes to the Rose Theatre on Thursday.*

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