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The Rose Theatre Brampton Announces the 2012-2013 Season and Invites You to Experience it Live!

COLIN JAMES, ASZURE BARTON, THE MIDTOWN MEN, WOMEN FULLY CLOTHED, MUMMENSCHANZ, VOCA PEOPLE AND BOYZ II MEN AMONG THE HIGHLIGHTS OF 34 SHOWS

Brampton, ON...The Rose Theatre Brampton announced the line-up of shows for their 2012-2013 "Experience It Live" Season today. Beginning on Thursday, May 24, renewing subscribers have the first choice of the best seats in the house for all 34 Main Stage shows and 8 *Studio Two* performances before tickets go on sale to the general public. Subscribers who book a minimum of 3 shows save from 15% to 25% off the regular ticket prices. The renewal period ends June 6 at which time new subscriptions will be available for sale. Single show purchases can be made beginning on June 20.

The Rose Theatre Programming team guarantees patrons the seventh season will be seventh heaven! It's an eclectic blend of commercial and well-known acts, some truly unique works of art, complemented by a smattering of lesser-known stars on their way to the top.

TICKET INFORMATION:

Subscribers get first access to the best seats in the house. Pick 3 shows and save 15%, pick 4 shows and save 20%, pick 5 or more and save 25% off the regular ticket prices.

Current Subscribers: Renewal period begins May 24

NEW Subscribers: Get on board starting June 6

Single Ticket Buyers: Single show tickets go on sale June 20

To purchase by phone call **905-874-2800** or in person at the Box Office during regular hours. Online sales begin June 20 for single show purchases only.

For information on how to become a new or renewing subscriber, please visit the website: www.rosetheatre.ca

Please continue below for a complete listing of the 2012-2013 events.

THE MAIN STAGE ROSE THEATRE PRESENTS SERIES

RAMIN - SEPTEMBER 7, 8PM

Canadian actor/singer Ramin Karimloo is already a leading West-End star where he's performed the leading roles in *Les Misérables*, *Love Never Dies* and *The Phantom of the Opera*. He first received global acclaim starring in the *Phantom of the Opera* 25th Anniversary concert performed at the Royal Albert Hall and broadcast around the world. This will be one of only two dates for Ramin in Ontario before he heads to the States. Don't miss this unique opportunity to hear Ramin perform dazzling songs from his debut album.

Tickets: \$45, \$50, \$55. Subscribe from \$34.25

THE BLUES BROTHERS® REVUE – OCTOBER 12, 8PM

This live concert show combines the comedy and hits from the original movie, and pays homage to Chicago's rich history of blues, gospel and soul music starring Wayne Catania (Jake) and Kieron Lafferty (Elwood). *The Blues Brothers® Revue* is fun for all ages and features all their classics including "Soul Man", "Rubber Biscuit", "Sweet Home Chicago", "Rawhide" and "Gimme Some Lovin".

Tickets: \$54, \$59, \$64. Subscribe from \$41

BROKEN IMAGES - OCTOBER 21, 7PM

Starring the well-known Indian actress, Shabana Azmi, this psychological thriller tells the story of Manjula Sharma, a modestly successful Hindi short story writer who becomes internationally famous after writing a best-seller in English. Manjula opts for the global audience, but worries that she has betrayed her own language and identity. Without warning, her own 'image' decides to play confessor, psychologist and inquisitor. It's an insightful look at how fame and celebrity can be bestowed - and snatched away - with equal alacrity. The play is performed in English.

Tickets: \$50, \$75, \$110 (Top price includes meet & greet reception). Subscribe from \$37.50

COLIN JAMES - OCTOBER 24, 8PM

A superb rock and blues guitarist, Colin James is a musician's musician. The confidence that comes with maturity can be heard in his voice and seen in his electrifying stage performance. Touring in support of his fifteenth album, simply titled *Fifteen*, Colin James brings his incredible cache of hits to The Rose.

Tickets: \$49, \$58, \$67. Subscribe from \$37.25

ARLO GUTHRIE - OCTOBER 25, 8PM

Here Comes The Kid Tour

Arlo's exceptional solo shows are an inspiring and intimate experience. Join him in honoring the legacy of his father, creative genius Woody Guthrie, in this unforgettable night of music and stories. Explore Woody's immeasurable contributions to the landscape of American Folk music in this intimate solo concert.

Tickets: \$45, \$55, \$65. Subscribe from \$33.75

CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE - A Night At The Opera, Queen

OCTOBER 30, 8PM

At the time of its release, *A Night At The Opera* was the most expensive album ever made. The commercial success was widespread (no.1 in UK and no.4 in US). Audiences of all ages remember and love the flagship track "Bohemian Rhapsody". The Classic Albums Live band will recreate the album note-for-note, cut-for-cut.

Tickets: \$38, \$48, \$58. Subscribe from \$29

WINDJAMMERS - NOVEMBER 11, 7PM

In Remembrance, A Tribute to Canada's Armed Forces

Packed with both martial and popular music of the World Wars, Korea and Afghanistan, a Vera Lynn Medley, veterans standing in tribute for their navy, army and air force march pasts, an Act of Remembrance, colour guard, the Pipes and Drums of the Lorne Scots – this will be a concert for remembrance, and to remember. Directed by Lt. Harry Currie.

Tickets: \$28, \$38, \$48. Subscribe from \$21.50

LASERSPECTACULAR IN 3D - NOVEMBER 16, 8PM

Featuring the Music of Pink Floyd

A cult classic of 25 years, now Paramount's LaserSpectacular features *Dark Side of the Rainbow* followed by the best of Pink Floyd, including *The Wall*, in the second half. It's all the excitement of a live concert, with a giant video screen presentation, special effect lighting, and state-of-the-art laser technology. Experience the music of Pink Floyd as you've never seen it before!

ASZURE BARTON & ARTISTS - NOVEMBER 22, 8PM

Canadian dancer and choreographer Aszure Barton has earned a distinguished reputation for producing striking choreography for stage and film. A handful of her numerous prestigious commissions include Mikhail Baryshnikov, The Bolshoi Ballet and The National Ballet of Canada. Project XII will be performed by seven internationally acclaimed dancers and accompanied by an original score.

Tickets: \$57, \$62, \$67. Subscribe from \$43.25

THE MIDTOWN MEN - NOVEMBER 23, 8PM; NOVEMBER 24, 2PM & 8PM

4 Stars from the Original Broadway Cast of Jersey Boys

The Midtown Men reunites Tony Award winner Christian Hoff, Michael Longoria, Daniel Reichard, and Tony Award nominee J. Robert Spencer, the four stars from the original cast of the Broadway musical *Jersey Boys*, in a dynamic concert featuring hits of the '60s, including The Beatles, The Beach Boys, The Jackson 5, and The Four Seasons.

**Not A Performance Of, Not Affiliated With the Show Jersey Boys.*

Tickets: \$75, \$80, \$85. Subscribe from \$56.75

JANE BUNNETT & THE SPIRITS OF HAVANA - NOVEMBER 28, 8PM

Five-time Juno Award winner and multiple GRAMMY® nominee, Jane Bunnett is an internationally acclaimed artist with a recording career spanning 24 years. Fans know, Bunnett is constantly seeking new musical terrain encompassing modern jazz, a rich variety of Cuban-rooted musical idioms, blues, classical, gospel, and R&B resulting in an irresistible body of work that must be appreciated live.

Tickets: \$49, \$54, \$59. Subscribe from \$37.25

WOMEN FULLY CLOTHED - NOVEMBER 29, 8PM

Older & Hotter

Starring Robin Duke (*Saturday Night Live, SCTV*), **Jayne Eastwood** (*My Big Fat Greek Wedding, Hairspray*), **Kathryn Greenwood** (*Whose Line Is It Anyway? Wind at My Back*) and **Teresa Pavlinek** (*The Jane Show, History Bites*). These talented women take everyday life, add a dash of hilarity, and put it on stage for an unparalleled evening of laughter. From mother/daughter relationships, cross border shopping, and board room banter to craft shows, they continually wow audiences across North America.

Tickets: \$54, \$59, \$64. Subscribe from \$41.

GEORGE CANYON - DECEMBER 3, 8PM

Award-winning Country music star George Canyon and his band return to The Rose to perform all classic, country music favourites from his upcoming *Classics II* album. Staged with songs & stories, you will step back in time to those 'good old-time radio show' days, like the Grand Ole Opry.

Tickets: \$51, \$61, \$71. Subscribe from \$38.75.

THE NUTCRACKER - DECEMBER 5 & 6, 7PM

The incomparable State Ballet Theatre of Russia presents the beloved classic, featuring traditional choreography, sparkling imagery, dancing mice, toy soldiers and the Sugar Plum fairy. A timeless holiday tradition, *The Nutcracker* is a perfect way to celebrate the season with the whole family.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL THE MUSICAL - DECEMBER. 13-17, 7PM; DECEMBER 15 & 16, 2PM

Music by Alan Menken, Book by Lynn Ahrens/ Mike Ockrent, Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens. Enjoy the full Broadway treatment of Charles Dickens' classic holiday story. Complete with falling snow, exuberant dances, spooky ghosts and the streets of Dickensian London, *A Christmas Carol* is a marvelously-told story set to beautiful melodies and touching lyrics. This spectacular musical ran for ten years at Madison Square Garden.

Tickets: \$27, \$37, \$47. Subscribe from \$20.75

LEAHY FAMILY CHRISTMAS - DECEMBER 19, 8PM

Known for their unique blend of musical styles, distinct repertoire and an explosive on-stage energy, Leahy makes Christmas a true family affair!

The Canadian powerhouse of eight musical brothers and sisters, and now their little ones too, are one of Canada's most sought after exports. Get ready for incredible step-dancing and fiddle-playing all wrapped up in the full spectrum of holiday music from best-loved carols to fiery Celtic jigs and medleys.

Tickets: \$54, \$59, \$64. Subscribe from \$41.

SING-A-LONG-A SOUND OF MUSIC - DECEMBER 22, 2PM

Sing-A-Long-A Sound of Music is a screening of the classic Julie Andrews film musical in glorious, full-screen technicolour, complete with subtitles so that the whole audience can sing along! Starting at 1pm, audience members are invited to participate in the famous fancy-dress competition in which everyone who has come in costume is invited onto the stage to show off their fantastic tailoring skills.

So get those vocal chords warmed up, cut up those chintz curtains and hurry down for the perfect night out. Fancy dress is not obligatory but highly recommended!

Tickets: \$25, \$30, \$35. Subscribe from \$19.25

MUMMENSCHANZ - JANUARY 22, 8PM

Developed through years of experimental performance in different disciplines, *Mummenschanz* tells wonderful visual stories using surreal and funny masks, complex props and lighting complimented by subtle choreography. Witty, strange and wonderful, the show will highlight more than four decades of creative genius in a performance that will delight the entire family.

Tickets: \$55, \$65, \$75. Subscribe from \$41.75.

LATE NIGHT CATECHISM: LAS VEGAS - JANUARY 24, 8PM

Sister Rolls the Dice

Late Nite Catechism: Las Vegas, Sister Rolls the Dice is one more class in the sinfully funny *Catechism* series. The convent needs a new roof, so the order has decided that Sister (with her extensive gambling experience running the Church Bingo for the last 25 years) will organize a Las Vegas night! Sister will tackle topics ranging from magicians and show girls to live animal acts and the dangers of drive-through marriage chapels. Don't forget: "What happens in Vegas may stay in Vegas", but God sees everything!

Tickets: \$37, \$47, \$57. Subscribe from \$28.25.

THE TAJ MAHAL TRIO - JANUARY 31, 8PM

Two-time GRAMMY® award winner and one of the most influential blues and roots artists of the past half-century, Taj Mahal continues to pump out swaggering roadhouse blues and New Orleans swing spiced with a pinch of Jamaican reggae. He's known for his "danceable" music that distills traditions from the Mississippi Delta, the Hawaiian Islands and around the world.

Tickets: \$59, \$64, \$69. Subscribe from \$44.75

THE FULL MONTY - FEB. 13-15, 8PM; FEB. 16, 2PM & 8PM; FEB. 17, 2PM & 7PM

Frustrated with life and seeing how much their wives enjoy watching male strippers during their "Girls' Night Out," a group of unemployed steelworkers come up with a bold way to make some quick cash. In the process they find renewed self-esteem, the importance of friendship and the ability to have fun. A show with a great big heart, *The Full Monty* is all about taking charge and following your dreams. *Mature themes and language.*

Music and Lyrics by DAVID YAZBEK, Book by TERRENCE MCNALLY, Based on the Motion Picture Released by Fox Searchlight Pictures. Written by Simon Beaufoy, Produced by Uberto Pasolini and Directed by Peter Cattaneo

Tickets: \$35, \$40, \$45. Subscribe from \$26.75. Preview Feb. 12 at 7pm (All tickets \$25)

CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE - *Breakfast In America, Supertramp* FEBRUARY 20, 8PM

Released in 1979, *Breakfast in America* was the sixth album by Supertramp. It featured three U.S. Billboard hits which still enjoy regular airtime today "Logical Song", "Goodbye Stranger" and "Take the Long Way Home". In addition to commercial success, the album also won two GRAMMY® Awards in 1980. Performed by the Classic Albums Live band, experience it again note-for-note, cut-for-cut.

Tickets: \$38, \$48, \$58. Subscribe from \$29.

LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO - FEBRUARY 27, 8PM

For more than forty years, the voices of Ladysmith Black Mambazo have married the intricate rhythms and harmonies of their native South African musical traditions to the sounds and sentiments of Christian gospel music. As Joseph Shabalala says, "We travel the world spreading our message of Peace, Love and Harmony. What could be better or more important than that?"

Tickets: \$54, \$59, \$64. Subscribe from \$41.

VOCA PEOPLE - FEBRUARY 28, 8PM; MARCH 1, 8PM

Voca People have taken the world by surprise – and delight – with a completely original, thrilling musical adventure unlike anything you've experienced before! Full of energy and bursting with fun, this international hit features over 70 a cappella and beat box versions of much-loved songs including favorites from Madonna, Queen and even Mozart! No instruments, no sound effects—just eight incredible voices breathing life into the greatest music on earth.

Tickets: \$59, \$64, \$69. Subscribe from \$44.75.

RANDY BACHMAN - MARCH 2, 8PM

Every Song Tells A Story

With Brent Howard, Marc LaFrance and Mick Dalla-Vee in a rare and intimate setting, the “architect of Canadian rock n’ roll” Randy Bachman weaves together the iconic hits of the Guess Who and Bachman-Turner Overdrive with the often-humorous stories that brought the songs to life. Inspired by his award-winning radio program *Vinyl Tap*, Randy takes his master story-telling and voluminous musical knowledge on the road.

Tickets: \$75, \$80, \$85. Subscribe from \$56.75.

THE INTERGALACTIC NEMESIS - MARCH 20, 8PM

Live-Action Graphic Novel, Book One: Target Earth

The Intergalactic Nemesis Live-Action Graphic Novel is a one-of-a-kind theatrical experience that mashes up radio drama with comic-books. Three actors voice dozens of characters; one Foley artist creates hundreds of sound effects; one keyboardist performs the score; while on a two-story high screen more than 1,250 individual, full-color, hand-drawn comic book images are projected to tell the story visually. *The Intergalactic Nemesis* is a spectacle unlike any other and it’s for the kid in everyone. Recommended for age 7 & up.

Tickets: \$41, \$48, \$55. Subscribe from \$30.75

RAIN - MARCH 22, 8PM; MARCH 23, 2PM, 8PM

DIRECT FROM BROADWAY! *RAIN* performs the full range of The Beatles’ discography live onstage, including the most complex and challenging songs that The Beatles themselves recorded in the studio but never performed for an audience. Together longer than The Beatles, *RAIN* has mastered every song, gesture and nuance of the legendary foursome, performing the early hits to later classics including “I Want To Hold Your Hand”, “Hard Day’s Night”, “Sgt. Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band”, “Let It Be”, “Come Together”, “Hey Jude” and more.

Tickets: \$70, \$80, \$90. Subscribe from \$53.

BOYZ II MEN - APRIL 14, 8PM

20th Anniversary Tour

One of the most truly iconic R&B groups in music history, Boyz II Men redefined popular R&B and has won fans the world over with their soulful, multi-octave sound and incredible vocals. With an astounding 60 million albums sold, the trio has produced a rich catalogue of hits filled with smooth harmonies and enduring themes including “End of the Road”, “I’ll Make Love to You” and “One Sweet Day”. Most recently the band released the album *Twenty* which included their first new material in nearly a decade, and it’s already flying up the charts.

Tickets: \$75, \$80, \$90. Subscribe from \$56.75.

JUST FOR LAUGHS ROAD SHOW - APRIL 15, 8PM

They’re back and funnier than ever! This tenth anniversary tour of the Road Show will feature four of the best stand-ups straight from the world’s largest and most prestigious comedy event. This hilarious “best of the fest” is a comedy knockout every time. *Mature themes and language.*

Tickets: \$38, \$48, \$58. Subscribe from \$29.

CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE - *The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust, David Bowie*

APRIL 25, 8PM

One of rock’s seminal albums and polled as one of the Greatest Albums Of All Time in Rolling Stone, NME, Melody Maker and on VH-1, David Bowie’s, *The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars* loosely tells the story of an imaginary rock star Ziggy Stardust who is the human manifestation of an alien being. What can we say, it was the 70s.

Tickets: \$38, \$48, \$58. Subscribe from \$29.

THE MIKADO - APRIL 26-27, 8PM

The New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players, America's preeminent professional G&S repertory company presents *The Mikado*. Beautiful school girl Yum-Yum loves romantic minstrel Nanki-Poo, but is engaged to Ko-Ko the executioner. To make things messier, the fearsome Katisha arrives on the scene claiming Nanki-Poo as her "perjured lover," followed by the emperor, or Mikado himself, with his own list of punishments to fit the crime. In order to resolve the ensuing complications, Ko-Ko must use his wits to convince the most unattractive Katisha to marry him - in record time.

Tickets: \$69, \$74, \$79. Subscribe from \$52.25.

PAVLO - MAY 2, 8PM

Six String Blvd World Tour

Pavlo's decades-long love affair with the guitar has resulted in an indescribable one-of-a-kind fiery fusion of Mediterranean musical styles. Now this "God of the Guitar" has done it again on his new album, *Six String Blvd* in which he melodically unites the world's most exotic instruments into his classic sound. Famous for bringing audiences to their feet, Pavlo continues to tour the world's best halls.

Tickets: \$55, \$60, \$65. Subscribe from \$41.75.

STUDIO TWO

SUDDENLY MOMMY - NOVEMBER 15-16, 8PM

Every woman who's had a baby recognizes the moment when your name changes from "Hey, Sexy" to suddenly "Mommy"! Anne Marie Scheffler, the star of *Second City* and her own special on *The Comedy Network*, presents this hilarious and relatable one-woman show fresh from *Second City Hollywood* and *Theatre Row* in New York City.

Tickets: \$30, Subscribe from \$23.

PEKKA - FEBRUARY 2, 1PM & 2:30PM

PEKKA is a tiny turtle who every night impatiently awaits her bedtime story. But what if Jacyntha, the elder, needed the moon to invent her stories. And what if tonight, the moon had decided not to show up... Pekka will go looking... But where is Miss Moon hiding and why doesn't she want to shine? Each show is 30 minutes in length. Cookies and juice are served afterwards. Recommended for ages 2 to 5. Babies 18 months and under are free. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets: \$17.50

BRAVURA - MAY 1, 8PM

George Masswohl, Curtis Sullivan, Lawrence Cotton

Take three of Canada's most dashing baritones. Add in a splash of *The Three Tenors*, *The Canadian Tenors*, *Il Divo* and *The Irish Tenors*. Create a beautifully diverse programme that includes opera, musical theatre and pop standards. And presto, you have *Bravura* – an unbeatable blend of chocolaty rich vocals and theatrical flair!

Tickets: \$30, Subscribe from \$23.

COMEDY CLUB

Mature themes and language.

That Can-EH-dian Show with Glen Foster

October 25, 2012, 8PM

At the Top of the Hill, Not Over It EH with Richard Lett

November 22, 2012, 8PM

EH'sians with Ron Josol

January 17, 2013 at 8PM

He Said EH! She Said What? with Jen Grant

February 21, 2013 at 8PM

Politics EH? Sheesh... with Chuck Byrn

April 18, 2013 at 8PM

Tickets for Comedy Club shows are \$25. Subscribe from \$19.25

DAVE YOUNG QUARTET - OCTOBER 26, 8PM

There is no doubt that bassist, composer and recording artist Dave Young possesses artistic soul and musical skill in abundance. A much sought-after player, Dave regularly performs internationally with an array of jazz and classical luminaries. A tribute to his highly developed musical sensibility and versatility, Dave has won the prestigious National Jazz "bassist of the year" many times over. Get ready to dig in and swing hard when Dave's quartet take the stage.

SHANNON BUTCHER - NOVEMBER 30, 8PM

With Michael Shand and Ross McIntyre

She's quickly becoming known for her dynamic voice and fresh jazz style. Her fans adore her and so do her musicians who are among the finest players in Canadian jazz today. Shannon Butcher, a graduate of U of T's performance program, and past member of the swinging vocal trio Swing Rosie, is focused on expanding the jazz songbook through original pop/folk infused material and unique vocal arrangements of contemporary hits.

CHRIS MITCHELL - MARCH 22, 8PM

Halifax-based saxophonist, arranger and composer Chris Mitchell is a gifted player who has made his place in the hearts of jazz lovers. His mastery of a diversity of styles and proficiency in several music genres have earned him feature spots on television and radio productions as well as many CD recordings by top-Canadian artists. His four solo albums have garnered a number of awards and accolades most notably the "Prix du Montreal".

DIANA PANTON - MAY 3, 8PM

Heralded as one of the brightest lights on the vocal jazz scene today, Panton's latest Juno nominated recording *To Brazil With Love* was included on numerous TOP 10 lists for 2011 and it was proclaimed by WholeNote Magazine as "a perfect jewel of a CD – each track is an exquisitely manicured musical facet... Her diaphanous vocal sound never insists... natural, untainted and pure." (Lesley Mitchell-Clarke). Panton is definitely a star on the rise and a singer to watch (and listen for). Her band features Canada's finest jazz musicians including, Reg Schwager and Don Thompson.

Tickets for Jazz Series shows are \$30. Subscribe from \$23.

Publicity photos and video highlights can be accessed at www.rosetheatre.ca by clicking the Media link at the bottom of any page.

The Rose Theatre Brampton is a public state-of-the-art performing arts complex that is fast becoming an icon in Downtown Brampton. This high-technology facility boasts an 880-seat theatre, a 120-seat secondary hall and a community space for meetings. The Garden Square, in front of the theatre is home

to the Lorna Bissell fountain Stage and a fully-licensed patio. Free performances of music and theatre take place throughout the summer. The Rose Theatre Brampton is dedicated to presenting quality entertainment to the city's diverse audience, providing the local performing arts community with a venue for excellence in the performing arts, and preserving a Brampton heritage of live performance that dates back to 1922 and includes four active theatres. Parking is always free in the evening on show days.

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