# Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall announce new concerts and expanded outdoor programming across Toronto

New concerts and events announced: Peaches, The Hidden Cameras, Ira Glass, Black Arm Band, Classic Albums Live, a city-wide celebration of the Beatles, a new Massey Hall-AGO-Banff Centre-CBC collaboration, the 30<sup>th</sup> annual Women's Blues Revue, and more



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## Tickets to new events go on sale Friday, June 10 at 10:00 AM

Member presale begins Monday, June 6 at 10:00 AM

Front Of The Line® by American Express presale for select events begins Wednesday, June 8 at 10:00 AM

For tickets call 416 872 4255, buy online at <a href="masseyhall.com">masseyhall.com</a> roythomson.com or visit the Roy Thomson Hall Box Office (60 Simcoe St, Toronto, ON)

Wednesday, May 25 2016 // Toronto, ON – With its 4th issue of <u>Soundboard Magazine</u>, Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall announce new concerts, events and partnerships for 2016, including performances by Peaches, The Hidden Cameras, the return of public-radio and podcast superstar Ira Glass, a new season of Classic Albums Live, over 70 free outdoor concerts across downtown Toronto and much more.

This fall Massey Hall and the Art Gallery of Ontario launch <u>Creative Minds</u>, a new series of artist-driven dialogues presented in partnership with The Banff Centre and CBC. The series will bring together leading artists, authors, filmmakers and musicians for an evening of energetic conversation about the most urgent social concerns of our time. The series kicks off on September 20, 2016 with the theme of Art and Social Justice, featuring Deepa Mehta, Buffy Sainte-Marie, André Alexis and Rebecca Belmore, moderated by CBC <u>Metro Morning</u> host Matt Galloway.

The third season of *Live at Massey Hall*, the live concert and concert film series, continues with two boundary-bursting artists who are well-known for their high-energy, provocative and exploratory live performances: the creative force that is <u>Peaches</u>, and the Toronto return of Joel Gibb's <u>The Hidden Cameras</u>. In addition, on May 27 *Live at Massey Hall* celebrates the late legendary Canadian music icon <u>Jeff Healey</u>'s 50th birthday with an incredible line-up paying tribute to one of Toronto's favourite musical sons.

Films of past *Live at Massey Hall* concerts are available to stream for free online at <u>liveatmasseyhall.com</u>, including **Shad**, **Dan Mangan** + **Blacksmith**, **Lisa LeBlanc**, **Coeur de pirate**, and many more.

The City of Toronto celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Beatles' last performance at Maple Leaf Gardens with its <u>Beatles 50 T.O.</u> summer program, which includes a special performance by <u>Classic Albums Live</u> performing the 1966 set list on the August 17 anniversary, along with the Beatles' greatest hits, at the Mattamy Athletic Centre at Ryerson University (formerly Maple Leaf Gardens). <u>The Massey Hall Band</u> will also pay tribute to the Fab Four's creativity and music, with special guests, at Yonge-Dundas Square, as part of a special installment of *Indie Fridays* on August 19.

In addition to the Beatles 50 T.O. performance, <u>Classic Albums Live</u> brings its roster of A-list musicians from across the country back to Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall for another season of live recreations of rock's greatest records. The 2016-2017 season features: *Rumours* 

by Fleetwood Mac, a double-bill of *Imagine* by John Lennon and *Band on the Run by* Paul McCartney and Wings, *Elton John's Greatest Hits*, and Rush's 2112, celebrating 40 years since the albums original tour which ended with three sold-out concerts at Massey Hall in June 1976, which were recorded for the double-live album *All the World's a Stage*.

Internationally-acclaimed Australian Aboriginal performing arts company <u>Black Arm Band</u> brings dirtsong, an innovative and acclaimed multidisciplinary production to Massey Hall. The production showcases, celebrates, shares and brings into the 21st century the music of a variety of Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, with special guests to be announced.

Host and creator of the acclaimed *This American Life*, <u>Ira Glass</u>, makes a highly anticipated return to Toronto after 2012's sold out appearance at Massey Hall, with his talk *Seven Things I've Learned*.

Massey Hall and the Toronto Blues Society join forces for the annual <u>Women's Blues Revue</u>. Celebrating 30 years, the evening will feature a star-studded cast of special guests who will join the Women's Blues Revue Band, including guitarist/singer Sue Foley and singers Layla Zoe, Alanna Stuart and Dione Taylor – with more announcements to come.

Massey Hall is proud to continue its support of Canadian talent, presenting some of the country's brightest performers at The Rivoli, The Great Hall, Harbourfront Centre Theatre and Trinity St. Paul's Centre including <u>Fortunate Ones</u>, <u>Jenn Grant</u>, <u>Mouse on the Keys</u>, <u>Skydiggers</u>, <u>The Good Lovelies</u> and <u>Donovan Woods</u>.

Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall are pleased to present over 70 free concerts and events this summer and fall. The popular <u>Live on the Patio at Roy Thomson Hall</u> series returns featuring two evenings of music each week, with drinks and food by <u>Barque</u>. Massey Hall programing goes beyond the Hall and into Yonge-Dundas Square, a partnership that brings great music out into the open air, free for all to enjoy with <u>Massey Hall presents Lunchtime Live!</u> and <u>Indie Fridays</u>. New this year, Massey Hall partners with the Downtown Yonge BIA to present <u>Play the Parks</u>, featuring thematic musical programming from some of the city's finest artists at parks across the heart of the downtown core. Roy Thomson Hall is proud to present the 20th annual noon-hour **Choir and Organ** concert series, offered to the public free of charge showcasing the Hall's magnificent <u>Gabriel Kney pipe organ</u>, one of Canada's largest mechanical-action instruments.



For more information on these concerts and events, and more, including previously announced concerts like <u>Berliner Philharmoniker</u>, <u>Boston Symphony Orchestra</u>, <u>The Go-Go's Farewell Tour</u>, <u>Deepak Chopra</u>, <u>Michael Kaeshammer with special guest Bobby Bazini</u>, <u>Jenny Lewis</u>, <u>Violent Femmes</u>, and the <u>National Geographic Live</u> series, see <u>full listings here</u> or view the digital <u>Soundboard Magazine</u>, issue 4, <u>here</u>.

Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall's Arts and Education Outreach Program, Share the Music, provides youth of all backgrounds with the opportunity to witness the world's finest artists in concert at Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall and attend pre-concert demonstrations and workshops with local musicians. With the help of sponsors and donors, the doors to a world of music and entertainment are opened, often for the first time – and perhaps for life.

#### ABOUT THE CORPORATION OF MASSEY HALL AND ROY THOMSON HALL

The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall, a charitable not-for-profit organization governed by a volunteer Board of Governors, presents programming that reflects and is widely embraced by the citizens of Toronto and around the world. With public and private support, including from various organizations, foundations, and countless individuals across the globe, the Corporation preserves the legacy and founding vision of the Massey Family, who donated the iconic venue, Massey Hall, as a gift to the city in memory of their son, Charles Albert, himself a musician.

Roy Thomson Hall is proud to be home of the **Toronto Symphony Orchestra** and host venue of the **Toronto International Film Festival** Gala Screenings. Please visit <u>tso.ca</u> for full season information and <u>tiff.net</u> for full festival information.

The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall is grateful for the support of its venue, program, and event sponsors and is a proud participant in Toronto's Music City initiative. Please visit <u>4479toronto.ca</u> for more information.

Select programming from The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall is funded in part by the Government of Canada through the Department of Canadian Heritage, the Government of Ontario through the Ontario Media Development Corporation and the Ontario Arts Council, and the City of Toronto through the Toronto Arts Council.

For additional information on **The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall** or any of the artists listed above, and for high-resolution photographs, artist biographies, concert and photo accreditation requests, please visit **masseyhall.com/media** or for any specific requirements, please contact:

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# Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall presents - JUST ANNOUNCED

For complete updated listings, go here.

MH = Massey Hall (178 Victoria St., Toronto)

RTH = Roy Thomson Hall (60 Simcoe St., Toronto)

HCT = Harbourfront Centre Theatre (231 Queens Quay W., Toronto)

RIV = The Rivoli (334 Queen St. W., Toronto)

TGH = The Great Hall (1087 Queen St. W., Toronto)

TSP = Trinity St. Paul's Centre (427 Bloor St. W., Toronto)

MAC = Mattamy Athletic Centre (50 Carlton St., Toronto)

## August 2016

Polaris Heritage Prize Event Presented in association with Polaris Music Prize	Wed Aug 3	8:00 PM	TGH	\$25
Live at Massey Hall: Peaches & The Hidden Cameras Presented by TD Made possible with the support of Ontario Media Development Corporation	Thu Aug 4	8:00 PM	MH	\$18.94 - \$29.50
Classic Albums Live: Beatles 1966 at Maple Leaf Gardens	Tue Aug 16	8:00 PM	MAC	\$50
September 2016				
Skydiggers	Fri Sep 9	8:00 PM	HCT	\$40 - \$45
AGO Creative Minds at Massey Hall: Art and Social Justice		8:00 PM	MH	\$19.50 - \$79.50
October 2016				
Fortunate Ones	Sat Oct 15	9:00 PM	RIV	\$15
Dream Serenade	Sat Oct 22	8:00 PM	MH	\$25 - \$100
Donovan Woods Supported by RBC Emerging Artist Project	Fri Oct 28	8:00 PM	TSP	\$29.50 - \$39.50
November 2016				
Classic Albums Live: Fleetwood Mac, Rumours	Fri Nov 18	8:00 PM	MH	\$29.50 - \$59.50
Women's Blues Revue Co-presented with Toronto Blues Society	Sat Nov 19	8:00 PM	MH	\$25 - \$65
December 2016				
Good Lovelies	Sat Dec 10	8:00 PM	HCT	\$29.50 - \$49.50
Good Lovelies	Sun Dec 11	2:00 PM	HCT	\$29.50 - \$49.50
Free Choir & Organ Concert: Amadeus Choir Conductor, Lydia Adams & Organist, Shawn Grenke	Mon Dec 12	12:00 PM	RTH	Free
Toronto Children's Chorus	Sat Dec 17	2:00 PM	RTH	\$35.50 - \$45.50
An East Coast Christmas	Wed Dec 21	8:00 PM	TSP	\$25 - \$55
January 2017				
Classic Albums Live: John Lennon, Imagine; Paul McCartney and Wings, Band on the Run	Fri Jan 27	8:00 PM	RTH	\$39.50 - \$59.50
Black Arm Band	Mon Jan 30	8:00 PM	MH	\$39.50 - \$59.50

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Mouse on the Keys	Wed Mar 8	8:00 PM	HCT	\$29.50 - \$34.50
Jenn Grant	Fri Mar 24	8:00 PM	TGH	\$25
April 2017				
Classic Albums Live: Elton John, Elton John's Greatest Hits	Fri Apr 28	8:00 PM	MH	\$29.50 - \$59.50
May 2017				
Seven Things I've Learned: An Evening with Ira Glass	Sat May 13	8:00 PM	MH	\$39.50 -\$69.50 \$129.50 VIP
June 2017				
Classic Albums Live: Rush, 2112	Sat Jun 10	8:00 PM	MH	\$29.50 - \$59.50

New shows added daily. Visit  $\underline{\text{masseyhall.com}}$  or  $\underline{\text{roythomson.com}}$