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**Wicked** *(Mirvish Productions)*

Until August 5, 2018, Ed Mirvish Theatre

[www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

WICKED, the Broadway sensation looks at what happened in the Land of Oz…but from a different angle. Long before Dorothy arrives, there is another young woman, born with emerald-green skin—smart, fiery, misunderstood, and possessing an extraordinary talent. When she meets a bubbly blonde who is exceptionally popular, their initial rivalry
turns into the unlikeliest of friendships...until the world decides to call one “good,” and the other one “wicked.”

From the first electrifying note to the final breathtaking moment, WICKED—the untold true story of the Witches of Oz—transfixes audiences with its wildly inventive story that USA Today cheers is “a complete triumph! An original musical that will make you laugh, cry, and think.”

**Murder on the Disorient Express!** (Mysteriously Yours Dinner Theatre)
Until August 18, 2018
[www.MysteriouslyYours.ca](http://www.MysteriouslyYours.ca)
Come and join the fun! Enjoy a fabulous 3 course meal followed by a hilarious, interactive whodunit?!
All Aboard! The great detective Hercule Perrier sifts through a tangled web of clues and evidence and applies the little grey cells to investigate the psychology of the colourful characters who are your fellow passengers aboard the famous train!

**Stratford Festival**
Until October 27, 2018
[www.stratfordfestival.ca](http://www.stratfordfestival.ca)
Stratford, located an hour-and-a-half’s drive west of Toronto, is home to North America's largest repertory theatre. With an ever changing roster of plays and musicals in four distinctive theatres, the Stratford Festival is home to classics, dramas, new works and popular musicals. Backstage and costume warehouse tours also available. Offering the Stratford Direct bus $25 Toronto return; you can relax and enjoy the trip.

**Shaw Festival**
Until October 28, 2018
[www.shawfest.com](http://www.shawfest.com)

**Come From Away** (Mirvish Productions)
Until January 2019, Royal Alexandra Theatre
February to April 2019, Elgin Theatre
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RETURN ENGAGEMENT!
After a sold-out, standing-room only Toronto engagement before heading to Broadway, COME FROM AWAY returns due to overwhelming demand!
It’s been called the “edge of the world.” The weather is wild, but the locals never lack for warmth. And it’s here, in Newfoundland, where a remote town became the epicenter of a remarkable true story filled with unusual characters, unexpected camaraderie and uncommon generosity. COME FROM AWAY is the breathtaking new musical that Toronto embraced with open arms and had audiences leaving the theatre night after night claiming they were “proud to be Canadian!”

**JULY**
**The King And I** (Mirvish Productions)
July 10 to August 12, 2018, Princess of Wales Theatre
www.mirvish.com
Set in 1860’s Bangkok, the musical tells the story of the unconventional and tempestuous relationship that develops between the King of Siam and Anna Leonowens, a British schoolteacher whom the modernist King, in an imperialistic world, brings to Siam to teach his many wives and children. Winner of the 2015 Tony Award® for Best Musical Revival, THE KING AND I is “too beautiful to miss” (New York Magazine).

AUGUST

Mamma Mia! (Mirvish Productions)
August 9 to 19, 2018, Ed Mirvish Theatre
www.mirvish.com
Set on a Greek island paradise where the sun always shines, a tale of love, friendship and identity is beautifully told through the timeless hits of ABBA. Sophie’s quest to discover the father she’s never known brings her mother face to face with three men from her distant romantic past on the eve of a wedding they’ll never forget!

Murder on the Disorient Express! (Inside the Chelsea Hotel Toronto)
Saturdays from August 25 to Mid-September, 2018
www.MysteriouslyYours.ca
Come and join the fun! Enjoy a fabulous 3 course meal followed by a hilarious, interactive whodunit?!
All Aboard! The great detective Hercule Perrier sifts through a tangled web of clues and evidence and applies the little grey cells to investigate the psychology of the colourful characters who are your fellow passengers aboard the famous train!

OCTOBER

Fall for Dance North (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts and Ryerson Theatre)
October 2 to 6, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=468
Experience a diversity of the best established and emerging dance happening in Toronto, across Canada and around the world at the 4th edition of Toronto’s Premier International Dance Festival. Once again FFDN will present three unique programs across six exciting performances. Immerse yourself in some of the most exhilarating dance that Canada and the world has to offer during one of the most popular and fastest growing cultural events in Toronto.

Ain’t Too Proud (Mirvish Productions)
October 11 to November 17, 2018, Princess of Wales Theatre
www.mirvish.com
Ain’t Too Proud is the electrifying new musical about the life and times of The Temptations, the greatest R&B group of all time (Billboard Magazine 2017). They were five young guys on the streets of Detroit when they were discovered by Berry Gordy, who signed them to his legendary record label. After 24 attempts, they finally had a hit and the rest is history — how they met, how they rose, the groundbreaking heights they hit, and how personal and political conflicts threatened to tear the group apart as the United States fell into civil unrest.
Casino Royale in Concert (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
October 11 to 12, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=385
For the first time ever in Canada, audiences will be able to experience Bond on the big screen accompanied by the power of a full symphony orchestra performing composer David Arnold’s thrilling musical score live and in sync to the picture! Directed by Martin Campbell, Casino Royale brings us Bond at the start of his career, having just earned 00 status and his license to kill. It also marked Daniel Craig’s first appearance as the legendary MI6 operative.

Goran Bregović (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
October 26, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=383
Goran Bregović and his world-famous Wedding and Funeral Orchestra deliver the undeniably original voice of a unique land to the Sony Centre stage for one night only. Bregović describes himself simply as a “contemporary composer” as he marries the Balkan music of his heritage with a strong guitar aesthetic, fusing Roma dance tunes, Eastern European choral music, and rock ‘n roll. He creates music that our soul recognizes instinctively and the body greets with an irresistible urge to dance. Featuring violin soloists Mirjana Neskovic (Serbia), Gershon Leizerson (Israel) and Zied Zouari (Tunis), as well as local Toronto musicians!

NOVEMBER

Vusi Mahlasela (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
November 1, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=452
Inspired by his early musical experiences listening to mbaqanga, kwela, and marabi, Singer-Songwriter and Poet-Activist, Vusi Mahlasela, will be performing the music of Dorothy Masuka, Brenda Fassie, Miriam Makeba, Hugh Masekela, and more in a new program he calls Township. Last seen in Toronto in 2015 performing with Hugh Maskela, Vusi’s new solo concert will bring his unique blend of traditional African music, soul and blues, while his music showcases his powerful vocals and poetic lyrics.

Forever Tango (Mirvish Productions)
November 6 to 11, 2018, Ed Mirvish Theatre
www.mirvish.com
FOREVER TANGO features fourteen world-class tango dancers, one vocalist and an on-stage eleven piece orchestra, including the instrument of the tango, the bandoneon, in an evening that celebrates the passionate music and dance of Argentina. The dances, performed to original and traditional music, are the result of collaboration between each couple and director/creator Bravo. “The tango is a feeling that you dance,” says Bravo, “a story you tell in three minutes. It’s passionate, it’s melancholic. It’s tender, violent. You dance it with somebody – but it is so internal, you dance it by yourself. More than just a dance, the tango is music, a drama, a culture, a way of life.

Lila Downs (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
November 7, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=435
Iconic Grammy and Latin Grammy Award winning singer Lila Downs is one of the world’s most singular and powerful voices, whose compelling stage presence and
poignant storytelling transcend all language barriers. Lila Downs uses her multicultural vision and her remarkable voice and seamlessly blends blues, jazz, rock, soul and hip hop with traditional Mexican music for a truly singular sound. A wildly engaging performer, Lila Downs is not to be missed.

**HUMANS by Circa** (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)  
November 9, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=428](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=428)

Ten acrobats take us on a stirring journey of what it means to be human, and of how our bodies, our connections, and our aspirations all form part of who we are. Created by Yaron Lifschitz, the stage is stripped bare as the vulnerability of a team of highly skilled acrobats is exposed. With incredible strength and integrity they connect each moment seamlessly with the next in a thrilling and heart-stopping performance. Glimpse their humanity as they as they find redemptive power in strength and celebrate what it means to be fiercely human. Part of the Dance Collection Series.

**Ladies of Hip Hop Toronto** (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)  
November 9 to 11, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=473](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=473)

Ladies of Hip-Hop Festival (LOHHF) provides girls and women space to learn and share their voices through hip-hop arts. Traditionally, men have dominated all facets of the hip-hop scene, but LOHHF changes this tradition and puts girls and women centre stage by offering workshops, performance opportunities, international artist exchanges and public talks to educate and create the next generation of women in hip-hop.

**Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire™ In Concert** (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)  
November 15 to 17, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=384](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=384)

Experience your favorite wizard all over again with the music of a live symphony orchestra and the magic of Harry Potter™ soaring across the big screen in high-definition. Get ready to fight a dragon, swim with merpeople, and find out just who put Harry’s name in the Goblet of Fire™! For the first time ever, audiences can rediscover the magic of Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire™ while a live symphony orchestra performs Patrick Doyle’s unforgettable score. Featuring the Toronto Symphony Orchestra.

**Etienne Charles – Carnival: The Sound of a People** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)  
November 16, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=461](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=461)

As a Trinidadian raised in a musical family, trumpeter Etienne Charles feels a deep connection to the Carnival traditions. Inspired by the noises heard throughout the festivities, Etienne’s “Carnival: The Sound of a People” brings the celebrations that best exemplify Trinidadian culture to the stage. NPR’s “All Things Considered” calls Etienne, “a great young trumpeter...his records filter calypso, reggae and other Afro-Caribbean music into a modern jazz conception.” Part of the Jazz at the George Series.

**Roald Dahl’s Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** (Mirvish Productions)  
November 20, 2018 to January 6, 2019, Princess of Wales Theatre  
[www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

Willy Wonka is opening his marvelous and mysterious chocolate factory...to a lucky few. That includes Charlie Bucket, whose bland life is about to burst with colour and
confection beyond his wildest dreams. He and four other golden ticket winners will embark on a mesmerizing joyride through a world of pure imagination. Now’s your chance to experience the wonders of Wonka like never before – get ready for Oompa-Loompas, incredible inventions, the great glass elevator, and more, more, more at this everlasting showstopper!

**Uncovered: Joni Mitchell & Carole King** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)  
November 21, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=410](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=410)  
The Musical Stage Company’s signature concert features the hit songs of these two pioneering female singer/songwriters, interpreted by stars from Stratford, Shaw, Broadway and London’s West End. Music director Reza Jacobs’ wildly imaginative arrangements captivate at this ‘unmissable’ event.

**Soweto Gospel Choir – Songs of the Free** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)  
November 22 to 23, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=450](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=450)  
The spectacular and vibrant two-time Grammy-award winning Soweto Gospel Choir returns to Toronto with Songs of the Free, a special program celebrating the centenary of the birth of Nelson Mandela. Soweto Gospel Choir is an awe-inspiring 20 member ensemble that thrills audiences worldwide with their stunning blend of African gospel music, spirituals and American popular music. Earthy rhythms and rich harmonies sung in six of South Africa’s 11 official languages are combined for a moving performance which uplifts the soul through the music and dance of South Africa.

**School of Rock** (Mirvish Productions)  
November 28, 2018 to January 6, 2019, Ed Mirvish Theatre  
[www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)  
School Of Rock is a New York Times Critics’ Pick and “an inspiring jolt of energy, joy and mad skillz!” (Entertainment Weekly). Based on the hit film, this hilarious new musical follows Dewey Finn, a wannabe rock star posing as a substitute teacher who turns a class of straight-A students into a guitar-shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band. This high-octane smash features 14 new songs from ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER, all the original songs from the movie and musical theater’s first-ever kids rock band playing their instruments live on stage. Vanity Fair raves, “FISTS OF ALL AGES SHALL BE PUMPING!”

**DECEMBER**

**Dianne Reeves: Christmas Time is Here** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)  
December 4, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=439](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=439)  
Dianne Reeves’ unmistakable vocal prowess, improvisational virtuosity, and vocal style has led her to win the Grammy Award for Best Vocal Jazz Performance for three consecutive recordings and is the first to do this in any vocal category. Reeves returns to Toronto for a special holiday music program, reimagining Christmas songs in her own inimitable style. Part of the Jazz at the George Series.

**Slava’s Snowshow** (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)  
December 7 to 16, 2018  
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=446](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=446)
The multi award-winning, international sensation blows back into the Great White North just in time for the holidays! Returning to Toronto for the first time in two decades, the scruffy, disarming troupe of clowns will take audiences on a spellbinding adventure, unleashing full-throttle madness amidst enchanting, contemplative moments, before roaring to its legendary finish. A theatrical masterpiece and transformative experience, Slava’s Snowshow will ensure the Christmas season is merry and bright.

Réversible (Mirvish Productions)
December 11, 2018 to January 6, 2019, CAA Theatre (formerly the Panasonic Theatre)
www.mirvish.com
Through a unique, riveting mix of theatre, circus, dance, music, and acrobatics, Réversible is dedicated to a generation who forged the world that we live in today and whose stories might hold the key to a better tomorrow. Be prepared for moments of pure grace, yielding to rushes of adrenalin, as a cast of multi-talented performers travel through time and space. It will give you goose bumps!

To All A Good Night – With Art of Time Ensemble (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
December 16, 2018
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=466
In what is now an Art of Time Ensemble tradition, To All A Good Night is an alternative holiday concert with the best wintery tunes, holiday songs and readings, to present a broader range of sentiments and styles than you're likely to find at any other seasonal concert. Stay tuned for announcements regarding the participating artists!

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JANUARY

The Play That Goes Wrong (Mirvish Productions)
January 8 to February 10, 2019, Ed Mirvish Theatre
www.mirvish.com
What would happen if Sherlock Holmes and Monty Python had an illegitimate Broadway baby? You’d get The Play That Goes Wrong, Broadway & London’s award-winning smash comedy! Called “a gut-busting hit” (The New York Times) and “the funniest play Broadway has ever seen” (HuffPost), this classic murder mystery is chock-full of mishaps and madcap mania delivering “a riotous explosion of comedy” (Daily Beast).

This Is That Live (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
January 19, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=456
This Is That Live hosts Pat Kelly and Peter Oldring offer audiences a brand new version of their hit touring live show. The show is in two acts: the first half is a mix of the duo performing new and fan-favourite material from their award-winning radio show. In the second half, they turn the writing responsibilities over to the audience and improvise brand new stories on the spot.
FEBRUARY

**Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre – 60th Anniversary Tour** (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
February 1 to 2, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=426](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=426)
Beloved by Toronto audiences, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater returns to the Sony Centre to showcase the vision of Artistic Director Robert Battle with programming that embraces the tradition of such beloved classics as “Revelations” and extends the legacy in dynamic new directions. Experience the power of Ailey and see for yourself why this extraordinary company is hailed as “possibly the most successful modern dance company on the planet.” (The New York Times).

**Djuki Mala** (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
February 1 to 3, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=445](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=445)
Direct from Elcho Island, Australia, Djuki Mala perform a high-energy and stunning fusion of traditional Indigenous culture, contemporary dance and storytelling. Toronto audiences will experience some of the more intimate moments and turning points that have shaped Djuki Mala and a rare and insightful view into Aboriginal Australia. If there is one show this year that is guaranteed to leave you feeling genuinely happy then Djuki Mala is it!

**HOTEL by Cirque Éloize** (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
February 6 to 16, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=431](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=431)
HOTEL is the story of a place and the travelers who come passing through it. A stopover where lives intersect, collide and juxtapose for a brief time to generate tales and memories. Acrobatics, theatre, dance and live music, will draw spectators into a colorful, timeless world. Avant-garde stage design, inspired by the elegance of the great hotels, will carry the narrative. All that remains is to enter through the lobby door and get swept away by the grandeur and poetry of HOTEL.

**Oslo** (Mirvish Productions)
February 9 to March 3, 2019, CAA Theatre (formerly the Panasonic Theatre)
[www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)
**2017 TONY® AWARD-WINNING BEST PLAY**

In 1993, in front of the world’s press, the leaders of Israel and Palestine shook hands on the lawn of the White House. Few watching would have guessed that the negotiations leading up to this iconic moment started secretly in a castle in the middle of a forest outside Oslo.

Inspired by the true story of the back-channel talks, unlikely friendships and quiet heroics that led to the Oslo Peace Accords, Oslo is a deeply personal story set against a complex historical canvas, a story about the individuals behind world history and their all too human ambitions. At this cultural moment when finding common ground is paramount, “Oslo gives us hope” (Daily News).

**salt.** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
February 7 to 10, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=436](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=436)
In February, two artists got on a cargo ship, and retraced one of the routes of the Transatlantic Slave Triangle - from the UK to Ghana to Jamaica, and back. Their memories, their questions and their grief took them along the bottom of the Atlantic and through the figurative realm of an imaginary past. It was a long journey backwards, in order to go forwards. This show is what they brought back.

**Jukebox Hero The Musical** (Mirvish Productions)
February 21 to 24, 2019, Ed Mirvish Theatre
[www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)
An original musical by the prolific writing duo, Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais (responsible for the films The Commitments and Across The Universe, and the TV programme The Tracey Ullman Show), Jukebox Hero is a coming-of-age saga written to the music of FOREIGNER. This new Canadian production will be directed by Randy Johnson (the playwright and director of the Tony Award-nominated Broadway production of A Night With Janis Joplin), with musical staging and choreography by Tracey Flye (resident director of the Toronto productions of We Will Rock You and Once) and musical direction by Mark Camilleri (musical director for the Toronto engagement of Dr. Seuss’s The Lorax).
Jukebox Hero will feature 16 iconic Top-30 FOREIGNER hit songs, such as I Want To Know What Love Is, Cold As Ice, Waiting For A Girl Like You, Hot Blooded, Jukebox Hero and Urgent.

**Amadeus Live** (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
February 21 to 22, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=449](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=449)
Experience the return of the multi-Academy Award winning 1984 motion picture, “Amadeus” on screen while Mozart’s most celebrated works are performed live in-sync by a full orchestra and choir. Milos Forman’s sumptuous film is an aural and visual treat for all the senses. Revisit Mozart masterpieces including his Requiem, Don Giovanni, Marriage of Figaro, his symphonies, and the Serenade for Winds in B flat major.

**Pour** (The Theatre Centre)
February 21 to 24, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=434](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=434)
Created by choreographer Daina Ashbee, Pour is a work that explores the vulnerability and strength of women, uncovering the layers of pain we absorb in our bodies as a result of societies that do not support them. Ashbee’s synthetic set design mimics natural landscape. Her use of repetition evokes transformation which hints towards many possibilities for a resolution, while maintaining an intense vulnerability between the performer and the audience.

**Youn Sun Nah** (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
February 22, 2019
[http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=440](http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=440)
Youn Sun Nah’s musical prowess has been astonishing audiences overseas. Hailed by The Guardian as “a style-bending star,” the South Korean vocalist has a truly distinct story and a wholly innovative approach to music. Her refreshingly rich voice, which All About Jazz describes as “dramatic, sensual, and bluesy,” is a reflection of her varied musical background. Part of the Jazz at the George Series.
Girl From The North Country (Mirvish Productions)
February/March 2019, Princess of Wales Theatre
www.mirvish.com
DIRECT FROM LONDON’S WEST END, FOLLOWING ITS CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED WORLD PREMIERE AT LONDON’S OLD VIC
NORTH AMERICAN PREMIERE
Duluth, Minnesota. 1934. A community living on a knife-edge huddle together in the local guesthouse.
The owner, Nick, owes more money than he can ever repay, his wife Elizabeth is losing her mind, and their daughter Marianne is carrying a child no-one will account for. When a preacher selling bibles and a boxer looking for a comeback show up in the middle of the night, things start to spiral beyond the point of no return...
Award-winning playwright Conor McPherson beautifully weaves the iconic songbook of Bob Dylan into this powerful new show full of hope, heartbreak, and soul.

MARCH

Dear Evan Hansen (Mirvish Productions)
Begins March 2019, Royal Alexandra Theatre
www.mirvish.com
WINNER OF 6 TONY® AWARDS INCLUDING BEST MUSICAL
AND THE 2018 GRAMMY AWARD FOR BEST MUSICAL THEATRE ALBUM
CANADIAN PREMIERE
A letter that was never meant to be seen, a lie that was never meant to be told, a life he never dreamed he could have. Evan Hansen is about to get the one thing he’s always wanted: a chance to finally fit in.
Both deeply personal and profoundly contemporary, Dear Evan Hansen is a new musical, with award-winning music and lyrics by Benj Pasek & Justin Paul (La La Land and The Greatest Showman), about life and the way we live it.

Holly Cole (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
March 3, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=441
Holly Cole is a pre-eminent interpretative singer working between the poles of jazz and pop. Her unique interpretations are applauded as being highly musical, intensely original, sophisticated, witty and sexy. Holly presents her music with style, humour and grace, sending it out on journeys straight to the listener’s hear. Part of the Jazz at the George Series.

SIGMA – A Production by Gandini Juggling (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
March 16 to 17, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=458
Sigma is a spectacular new cross art-form production in collaboration with Gandini Juggling and dazzling Bharatanatyam dancer and choreographer Seeta Patel. The production showcases exuberant rhythms, patterns and colours, celebrating the dialogue between the worlds of juggling, music and classical Indian dance. Sigma is designed to engage in a dialogue with the viewer, transcending cultural barriers and stimulating imaginations.
KODO One Earth Tour: Evolution (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
March 21, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=399
The ever popular Kodo returns to Toronto after four years with their new show "Evolution". Exploring the limitless possibilities of the traditional Japanese drum, the taiko, Kodo is forging new directions for a vibrant living art form. The drummers are noted for their strength, endurance and discipline in addition to the immaculate and virtuoso taiko drumming.

A Doll's House Part 2 (Mirvish Productions)
March 23 to April 14, 2019, CAA Theatre (formerly the Panasonic Theatre)
www.mirvish.com
In the final scene of Ibsen's 1879 groundbreaking masterwork, Nora Helmer makes the shocking decision to leave her husband and children, and begin a life on her own. This climactic event—when Nora slams the door on everything in her life—instantly propelled world drama into the modern age.
In A Doll's House, Part 2, many years have passed since Nora's exit. Now, there's a knock on that same door. Nora has returned. But why? And what will it mean for those she left behind?

Ballet BC – Mixed Programme (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
March 29 to 30, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=430
Bold and innovative, Ballet BC's distinctive style and approach returns to Toronto with a mixed programme including Crystal Pite's Solo “Echo”, “Petite Cérémonie” by Medhi Walerski, and one additional piece to be announced. Ballet BC is a hotbed for the creation and performance of new works, developing a repertoire of more than 45 new works by acclaimed Canadian and international choreographers since 2009. Part of the Dance Collection Series.

APRIL

Hot Brown Honey (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
April 5 to 7, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=463
Hot Brown Honey turns up the heat, delivering lashings of sass and a hot pinch of empowerment in the smash-hit that has taken the world by storm. Packing a punch of hip hop politics, the Honeys will make you laugh, cry, clap and shake what your mama gave you. This stellar posse of phenomenal women make noise as they defiantly smash stereotypes and remix the system. Fighting the power never tasted so sweet.

Brit Floyd (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
April 5, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=467
Brit Floyd returns to the stage with its most ambitious and best production yet, a special 40th Anniversary retrospective of Pink Floyd's iconic rock opera, The Wall. The Brit Floyd Show has truly become a phenomenon, widely regarded as the world's greatest live tribute to Pink Floyd. Their performances are as close as fans will get to experiencing the magnificence of a Pink Floyd Show live.
Batsheva Dance Company – Venezuela (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
April 9, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=425
Batsheva returns to North America with their new work, Venezuela, created by Artistic Director Ohad Naharin. In this multi-faceted and compelling work, the choreographer and performers explore the dialogue and conflict between movement and the content it represents. Based in Tel Aviv, the dancers of Batsheva’s company combine their visceral physicality with the depth and consistency of their training—a quality that is at once raw and virtuosoic. Part of the Dance Collection Series.

Hiromi (Toronto Centre for the Arts)
April 12, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=457
Since bursting onto the music scene in 2003, Hiromi has electrified audiences and critics east and west, with a creative energy that encompasses and eclipses the boundaries of jazz, classical and pop parameters, taking improvisation and composition to new heights of complexity and sophistication. Part of the Jazz at the George Series.

Next to Normal (Mirvish Productions)
April 26 to May 19, 2019, CAA Theatre (formerly the Panasonic Theatre)
www.mirvish.com
2009 TONY AWARD® WINNER!
Winner of three Tony® Awards, including Best Musical Score, and the 2010 Pulitzer Prize for Drama, Next to Normal explores a suburban household affected by mental illness. With a gripping story and a surging contemporary rock score, Next to Normal is a raw depiction of a family in crisis trying to overcome the past.

MAY

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix™ in Concert (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
May 2 to 4, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=437
For the first time ever, audiences can rediscover the magic of Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix™ while a live symphony orchestra performs Nicholas Hooper’s unforgettable score and Harry Potter™ soars across the big screen in high-definition. When Professor Umbridge takes over Hogwarts™ School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, what else can Harry do to resist her terrible rule? Find out in Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix™ in Concert!

SPIN (St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts)
May 8, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=464
Through a series of songs played live on a vintage bicycle, award-winning Toronto theatre artist and songwriter Evalyn Parry takes her audience on an innovative musical and theatrical journey about women, cycling and liberation. Inspired by the true tale of Annie Londonderry – the first woman to ride around the world on a bicycle in 1894 - Parry spins a web of stories which travel from 19th century women’s emancipation to 21st century consumer culture, peeling back layers of history to ultimately reveal a profoundly contemporary and personal heart to her investigation.
Eifman Ballet St. Petersburg: Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
May 9 to 11, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=427
The dramatic intensity and exquisite artistry of Eifman Ballet invites viewers into the brilliant mind and tumultuous struggles of the unparalleled composer, Tchaikovsky. Hailed as “a swirling, vivid panorama of emotions and settings” (New York Times) this emotionally gripping production uses state-of-the-art technology to share a surreal vision of the artist’s life. The narrative soars on a score featuring some of the composter’s most beloved symphonies and ballets, including Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty, and The Nutcracker. Part of the Dance Collection Series.

JUNE

Ghostbusters in Concert (Sony Centre for the Performing Arts)
June 8, 2019
http://www.sonycentre.ca/calendar-event-details/?id=471
Bring your proton pack and join the original paranormal investigation and elimination team as they capture their first ghost! Experience Ivan Reitman’s two-time Oscar-nominated film, screened live as an orchestra performs Elmer Bernstein’s Grammy-nominated score and Ray Parker Jr.’s chart-topping theme song, “Ghostbusters.” Peter Bernstein, son of composer Elmer Bernstein, will join as special guest conductor.

JULY

Waitress (Mirvish Productions)
July 16 to August 18, 2019, Ed Mirvish Theatre
www.mirvish.com
Inspired by Adrienne Shelly’s beloved film, Waitress tells the story of Jenna – a waitress and expert pie maker, Jenna dreams of a way out of her small town and loveless marriage. A baking contest in a nearby county and the town’s new doctor may offer her a chance at a fresh start, while her fellow waitresses offer their own recipes for happiness. But Jenna must summon the strength and courage to rebuild her own life.

ATTRACTIONS/EXHIBITIONS/EVENTS

ONGOING

CN Tower –NEW VIEWS
www.cntower.ca
The newly renovated LookOut Level at the CN Tower is now open! The main observation level now features more floor-to-ceiling window walls offering spectacular panoramic views of Toronto and beyond. 3 new bistros, located on this level have opened and offer guests a wide variety of delicious options specializing in local and Canadian food and beverage. The highlight of the new space is the addition of a second Glass Floor located directly above the existing floor, offering a view 346 metres straight down! It’s time to visit the CN Tower and see all the amazing changes for yourself!
Global Arts & Culture Made Accessible at Cineplex  
www.cineplex.com/groupsales
Treat your group to a rich, internationally-acclaimed cultural experience from the comfort of a local Cineplex theatre. Experience literary classics filmed live on stage and digitally re-mastered for the big screen. September features include An American in Paris, the Broadway Musical and National Theatre’s King Lear. Join us as we capture the art of Salvador Dali on screen, as well as magical performances by the Metropolitan Opera (Madame Butterfly), Royal Ballet (Swan Lake) and Australian Ballet (The Merry Widow). Private viewings available for groups on or after release date.

Dundas + Carlaw Heritage Plaque District  
www.heritagetoronto.org
Comprising ten new plaques and a self-guided tour, the Dundas + Carlaw area is the first in Toronto to be named a Heritage Plaque District. Tour brochures are now available throughout the area for visitors to discover the fascinating stories and unique relationships that transformed Dundas + Carlaw from an industrial centre to a creative and cultural community.

Over 500 Heritage Toronto Plaques are located throughout Toronto, highlighting the city's diverse and often little-known stories. Heritage Toronto holds several plaque presentations throughout the year. For more information, call 416-338-0684 or email HTdesk@toronto.ca.

ON NOW

Air Canada Centre: Name Change  
https://www.scotiabankarena.com/
The Air Canada Centre (ACC) will be no more as of July 1st. Scotiabank has purchased the naming rights for the iconic Toronto Arena, and has made a 20 year deal for it to be renamed the Scotiabank Arena. All restaurants will remain open during the construction this summer.

Niagara Speedway (Clifton Hill, Niagara Falls)  
Opened June 1st  
https://www.cliftonhill.com/attractions/niagara-speedway
Featured on media all around the world Niagara Speedway opened with a bang June 1st, 2018. The place to be this year, the Niagara Speedway is a marriage of traditional go-karts with the added fun & excitement of an elevated coaster styled track. Drivers get to test their driving skills along the straightaway, negotiate the hair-pin turns, and climb the elevated ramp as they head for the checkered flag. Enjoy a thrilling 5 minute ride of pure exhilaration. Height restrictions do apply and long hair must be tied back under the helmet. Group rates do apply.

Tunirrusiangit: Kenojuak Ashevak and Tim Pitsiulak (Art Gallery of Ontario)  
Until Aug 12, 2018  
www.ago.ca
This summer the AGO celebrates the power of Inuit art by bringing together two extraordinary artists – Kenojuak Ashevak and her nephew Timootee (Tim) Pitsiulak – in our major exhibition of the season. Ashevak and Pitsiulak represent two generations of Inuit artists who have challenged viewers to respond to their art and the Inuit world view in new ways.
The Art of Banksy Exhibit
Until August 19, 2018
https://www.banksyexhibit.com/
Starvox Exhibits in association with Live Nation presents the North American Premiere of “The Art of Banksy” exhibition. With over $35 million in art and 80 original works of Banksy, this is the largest Banksy exhibit ever assembled. The Art of Banksy is mounted in a “raw space” on Toronto’s up and coming Sterling Road.

Casa Loma: Summer Entertainment
Until August 29, 2018
www.casaloma.ca
Toronto’s historic Casa Loma has added two exciting new shows to its line-up. Soul in the City starring Juno winner Sean Jones will allow you to enjoy stunning views of the city, the majestic castle and the beautiful estate gardens while Jones is accompanied by a seven-piece band and other special guests Monday evenings, until August 27th. This year also is the launch of the castle’s partnership with Just For Laughs Comedy, featuring live comedy performances on Wednesday evenings from July 25th to August 29th.

Iris van Herpen: Transforming Fashion (Royal Ontario Museum)
Until October 8, 2018
www.rom.on.ca/iris
Look beyond fashion and explore the endless possibilities that come from interweaving design, art, and technology in Iris van Herpen: Transforming Fashion. Featuring original designs by Dutch designer and couturier, Iris van Herpen, this exhibition explores her 2008-2015 collections that push the boundaries of traditional fashion and craftsmanship. Accompanying Transforming Fashion is the immersive installation Philip Beesley: Transforming Space. Together, they take you on a captivating exploration into design, fashion, technology and the world around us. Bring your group to the ROM for a thrilling and immersive journey exploring art, culture and nature at Canada’s largest museum! Whether you are a group of 20 or 2000, the ROM is ready to make your event special with group rates and exclusive add-ons.

Rebecca Belmore: Facing the Monumental (Art Gallery of Ontario)
Until October 21, 2018
www.ago.ca
Rebecca Belmore is one of the most important contemporary artists working along the border of art and politics today. Her poetic and beautiful works respond to the pressing issues of our time, including water and land rights, women’s lives and dignity, violence against Indigenous people by the state and police, and the role of the artist in contemporary life.

McMichael Canadian Art Collection: Art Bus
Every Sunday until October 28, 2018
www.mcmichael.com
Get on-board the McMichael Art Bus! Round-trip transportation from downtown Toronto to the McMichael for only $15. The Art Bus departs from Scotiabank CONTACT Photography Festival headquarters’ parking lot located next to 80 Spadina Avenue (King and Spadina) at 10:30 am, and heads back downtown at 3:30 pm. Tickets for the McMichael Art Bus can be purchased
online in conjunction with general admission. The McMichael is home to iconic Canadian art, 100 acres of stunning woodland, a unique Sculpture Garden, and hiking trails.

**Canada’s Wonderland – New Rides**
Until October 28, 2018
[https://www.canadaswonderland.com/](https://www.canadaswonderland.com/)

**Lumberjack** take guests for a thrilling ride on two swinging axe pendulums, propelling them into the sky with their feet dangling through 360 degree loops. With inversions reaching up to 75 feet (22m) high, Lumberjack is giving riders the sensation of an inverted coaster loop! **Flying Canoes** is an interactive family ride that allows riders to control their journey of flight in two-person canoes. Guests board their very own canoe where they control if they want to fly high or low above the water. Flying Canoes has kids wanting to ride again and again.

**NEW Wild Rouge Zipline & Canopy Tour** (Toronto Zoo)
Until October 31, 2018
[www.torontozoo.com](http://www.torontozoo.com)
Looking for a new adventure? Then the Toronto Zoo’s newest adventure is a must on your next visit!
Situated within the scenic Rouge Valley this ecologically themed zipline transports guests down a 300m parallel cable line at speeds exceeding 40 kms/hr which concludes with a thrilling zip drop off of the landing platform. **Coming soon - Canopy Tour.** Guests will soon be able to take part in a new Canopy Tour where guests will have up to three additional features to explore; a canopy walk through the trees, an aerial challenge course and a guided ecological educational exploration.

**Spiders: Fear & Fascination** (Royal Ontario Museum)
Until January 6, 2019
[www.rom.on.ca/spiders](http://www.rom.on.ca/spiders)

Ignite your curiosity. Conquer your fears. Get up close and personal with one of the world’s most misunderstood creatures. Spiders are one of the most remarkable animals on the planet! They spin webs, dance, swim, and even grow back lost limbs. Entangle yourself in the world of spiders when you come face-to-face with nearly 400 amazing live and preserved arachnids in **Spiders: Fear & Fascination**.
Experience a web of hands-on interactives, incredible augmented reality, challenge a peacock spider to a dance-off, and explore a recreated spider cave.
Bring your group to the ROM for a thrilling and immersive journey exploring art, culture and nature at Canada’s largest museum! Whether you are a group of 20 or 2000, the ROM is ready to make your event special with [group rates and exclusive add-ons](http://www.rom.on.ca/spiders).

**Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes** (Bata Shoe Museum)
**Only North American Stop!**
Until January 6, 2019
[www.batashoemuseum.ca](http://www.batashoemuseum.ca)
A stunning retrospective by one of the world’s most influential figures within the fashion industry. For over 45 years, Blahnik’s inventiveness and superb artisanship has crossed boundaries between fashion and art, inspiring elegance and perfection. The underlying theme of the exhibition – that shoes are art – aligns perfectly with Blahnik’s own approach to creating footwear.
Look: Forward (Art Gallery of Ontario)
Until Spring 2019
www.ago.ca

Look: Forward aims to build on the momentum started with the Transformation AGO project in 2008 by adding great art to all public spaces, ensuring that our best artwork is on display and celebrating a legacy of donor generosity. Led by the vision of the AGO’s curators, the project is guided by three values: to celebrate exceptional art by presenting the very best of our Collection; to inspire meaningful and engaging experiences for our visitors; and to be relevant to our changing audiences by reflecting and strengthening the vibrancy and possibility of Toronto.

AUGUST

Emperors and Jewels: Treasures of the Indian Courts from The al-Sabah Collection, Kuwait (Aga Khan Museum)
August 18, 2018 to January 27, 2019
https://www.agakhanmuseum.org/

Magnificently adorning themselves to feast and to fight, the princes and emperors of Mughal India and nearby Deccan Sultanates were unparalleled patrons of the jewelled arts. The exhibition Emperors and Jewels: Treasures of the Indian Courts from The al-Sabah Collection, Kuwait glitters with the full array of their passions while demonstrating the enduring fascination with men’s jewellery and accessories.
To book your group tours, please contact Wendy Gamble at wendy.gamble@akdn.org or call 416-646-4671.

SEPTEMBER

Anthropocene (Art Gallery of Ontario)
September 28, 2018 to January 6, 2019
www.ago.ca

Next fall, the Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO) and the Canadian Photography Institute (CPI) of the National Gallery of Canada (NGC) will co-present Anthropocene, a major new contemporary art exhibition that tells the story of human impact on the Earth through film, photography, and new experiential technologies.

The Return of the Giants - New Aldabra Tortoise Outdoor Exhibit (Toronto Zoo)
Fall 2018 to Spring 2019
www.torontozoo.com

One of the largest species of tortoise in the world have returned to the Toronto Zoo’s African Rainforest Pavilion. The new Outdoor Aldabra Tortoise Exhibit offers our tortoises a wonderful home with grassy areas plus a shallow pool to keep them comfortable - these magnificent creatures are sure to impress! The three Aldabra tortoises, who left the Toronto Zoo in 1999, return as the largest tortoises in Canada with male Rasputin weighing in at over 186 kg and females Queenie at 75.8 kg, and Malila at 69.3 kg. The life span for this species is typically between 80 and 120 years with our three tortoises range from 40-50 years of age.
2019

FEBRUARY

Ai Weiwei: Unbroken
Opens February 2019
https://www.gardinermuseum.on.ca
An exhibition of major ceramic works by Ai Weiwei, one of the world’s most influential living artists and human rights activists, will debut at the Gardiner Museum in February 2019.
Ai Weiwei: Unbroken will consider how the artist’s singular ceramic and porcelain works have formed the basis for his ongoing exploration of social justice themes including immigration and the repression of dissent. Provocative programming developed in collaboration with local partners will draw connections between Ai’s formative ceramic works and urgent global issues. The exhibition will feature significant early ceramic works from Ai’s oeuvre including Colored Pots (2006), Oil Spills (2006), Sunflower Seeds (2008 – 2010), and Han Dynasty Urn with Coca Cola Logo (2015), many of which will be displayed in Toronto for the first time.

Impressionism in the Age of Industry: Monet, Pissarro and more
February 16 to May 5, 2019
www.ago.ca
Some of the greatest artists of all time responded with passion and creativity as their beloved Paris was transformed by the modern age. Now, a major new exhibition developed by the Art Gallery of Ontario is the first to explore themes of industry and labour in Impressionist and Post-Impressionist Art. Impressionism in the Age of Industry: Monet, Pissarro and more brings masterpieces from around the world to the AGO, including great paintings, sculpture, drawings, prints, photographs and film from the period.

MARCH

The Royal Arts of Jodhpur, India (Royal Ontario Museum)
March 9, 2019 to September 2, 2019
www.rom.on.ca
From one of India’s greatest former kingdoms come the sumptuous royal arts of Jodhpur, Rajasthan. Intricate paintings, dazzling jewellery, meticulous textiles and luxury decorative arts tell stories of conquest, kingship, strategic alliances, gender roles and life at court. These treasures were produced under the patronage of a dynasty that ruled this desert kingdom for centuries, until India’s independence in 1947. They reflect a cosmopolitan culture sustained by a delicate balance between local and external influences, tradition and modernity.
Drawn from the collection of the erstwhile royal family, most of these spectacular objects are on display outside their palace setting for the very first time.
By the Sidewalk Food Tours Inc.  
www.bythesidewalk.com
Guided walking food tours to experience the best of Toronto local gastronomy; taste delicious cuisines, drink libations and uncover the unique history and culture.
Get on our flagship food tour: Kensington Market By The Sidewalk now.
Whether you are a local or visiting Toronto for the first time we ensure you will walk away with new culinary perspectives, broad smiles, satisfied taste buds, full tummies and the confidence to continue exploring the neighborhood by the sidewalk!

New World Wine Tours – New food and drink tours  
www.newworldwinetours.com
No longer just offering wine tours (day trips to Niagara and PEC from Toronto), New World Wine Tours is proud to announce new food and drink tours. In the Distillery District we host ‘Sake A to Z’, a unique Japanese gastronomic event and ‘Lift Your Spirits!’ showcasing locally produced spirits with fascinating information about distillation in a working distillery. We allow you to indulge your sweet tooth with the ‘Queen West Pastry Crawl’. This food crawl is all about the prettiest, tastiest, and most unique pastries the city has to offer. When you drink you must eat, and on our ‘Camino de Tapas and Cocktails’ guests enjoy the Spanish concept of progressive dining with small plates, all paired with craft cocktails from incredible local bartenders. Tours are offered on multiple days each week, but private and group tours are happily accommodated.

The Séance (Haunted Walk of Toronto)  
Dates: July 12-14, 19-21, 27-29; August 2-5, 16-18, 23-25, 30-31; September 1st; October dates to be announced  
https://hauntedwalk.com/the-seance/
Mindreader Jaymes White & The Haunted Walk are bringing The Séance to Toronto’s Black Creek Pioneer Village. Guests will experience a Victorian-style séance inside one of the oldest and most haunted buildings in the city. This soul-shaking psychological experience is not for the weak nor recommended for those with health conditions. 18+. (2 hrs.). Purchase tickets early to avoid disappointment.

Tasty Tours: Updated Tours  
www.tastytourstoronto.com
Tasty Tours (Toronto’s award-winning food tour and chocolate tour company) has updated its Kensington Market Sweet & Savoury Food Tour, with the introduction of an Indigenous restaurant partner to reflect the diversity of Canada’s roots. In addition, we have improved the look of the Toffle™ for its 1st anniversary. Now featuring a classy light and dark exterior, the Toffle or Toronto Truffle is a decadent combination of chocolate truffle and maple butter tart. Created in Toronto as a Canada 150 gift to our beloved city and country, this 100% Canadian treat is Toronto’s answer to other famous sweets like Paris’ macaron and New York’s cronut. The Toffle is currently exclusively available on a Tasty Tour.

TruExperiences Tours - New Small Group Niagara Falls Evening Tour from Toronto  
www.tetours.com
For visitors who can’t decide whether to visit Niagara Falls during the day or at night, TruExperiences Tours’ new small group Niagara Falls Evening Tour from Toronto is the perfect fit.
The tour begins with an afternoon pick up in Toronto. Upon arrival in Niagara Falls, guests will enjoy the Hornblower Niagara Cruises boat tour, an iconic Canadian experience. Next, guests will have dinner at Elements restaurant followed by an exclusive, behind-the-scenes tour of Illumination Tower. During the tour, guests will have a once-in-lifetime opportunity to control the lights appearing on Niagara Falls! Finally, guests will catch the spectacular fireworks show before returning to Toronto.

**ACCOMMODATION UPDATES**

**Adelaide Hotel Toronto**

[www.adelaidehoteltoronto.com](http://www.adelaidehoteltoronto.com)

The Adelaide Hotel Toronto places guests at the center of an extraordinary legacy set in the heart of downtown Toronto. The Hotel, to operate temporarily as The Adelaide Hotel, will become the very first St. Regis Hotel in Canada following a brand-focused enhancement program of the lobby and bar, restaurant and luxury suites – to be unveiled late 2018. The Hotel will reflect the St. Regis brand’s enduring legacy while infusing the timeless allure which has defined the hotel collection since its founding by John Jacob Astor IV over a century ago.

**Fairmont Royal York, Toronto**

[https://www.fairmont.com/royal-york-toronto/](https://www.fairmont.com/royal-york-toronto/)

Fairmont Royal York is the dominant landmark on the most priceless city block in Canada, and an undisputed icon in Toronto hospitality. To reinforce Fairmont Royal York’s already preeminent position in the luxury skyline, the ownership team at Fairmont Royal York Hotel has begun a $500M+ bold plan to transform the property. Set to be complete in Spring 2019, this transformation will include a modernized and revitalized lobby and arrival experience, complete with an entirely new main restaurant and the finest lobby cocktail bar in the city. A completely reinvented Fairmont Gold experience will also bring larger suites, in a new location in the hotel, with a new and spectacular lounge.

**Kimpton Saint George**


Kimpton Saint George, located at 280 Bloor Street West between Huron and St. George Streets, opened its doors on June 19, 2018. The boutique hotel company’s first ever Toronto location is a sophisticated-yet-playful respite along the Bloor Street Culture Corridor bridging luxurious elements of bordering Yorkville with the bohemian hipness of the Annex. Guest amenities at Saint George include signature offerings, such as its “Forgot It? We’ve Got It!” free Wi-Fi for IHG Rewards Club members; complimentary use of custom designed PUBLIC bikes, 24-hour fitness centre and in-room yoga mats. Saint George is also a pet-friendly, welcoming four-legged guests.
FOODIES

The Rec Room at Toronto’s Roundhouse
http://www.therecroom.com/toronto-roundhouse/groups
Fun-Inspired event planning at The Rec Room - New this Fall!
Tour Operating Partners select from robust Tour & Travel packages designed to WOW visitors with combined F&B and Gaming packages. All event planners try our new Team Building packages guaranteed to inject adrenaline into your next meeting, offsite or celebration. It’s never too early to reserve your Holiday event - ask for our new festive menus! With flexible event space, delicious cuisine, and classic-to-cutting edge VR gaming options, we are your new go-to event destination!

SPECIAL SERVICES/SHOPPING

Square One Shopping Centre - Tourist Privileges
https://shopsquareone.com/touroperators
With 320+ shops, services, dining & entertainment options, Square One is Canada’s foremost fashion, lifestyle and entertainment destination, open 362 days a year. Located in Mississauga, the centre’s close proximity to Pearson International Airport and the Niagara Region, make it perfect for shopping excursions.

Enhance your guests’ Square One experience with our Tourist Privileges program, which provides access to a range of promotions and special savings.

FIT* guests can present their passport, hotel room key or driver’s license at any of our Guest Experience Kiosks to receive a Tourist Privileges Pamphlet, which features the current list of special offers.

Registered Tour Group guests will receive this Pamphlet during the Meet & Greet.
*FIT must reside 60km from Square One.

Toronto Premium Outlets
http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/toronto
Toronto Premium Outlets is pleased to announce construction has begun on phase 2 of its multi-phased expansion adding approximately 140,000 square feet of additional outlet space. This space will become home to 40 new name-brand outlet stores, scheduled to open to the public in November 2018. Upon completion, the centre will offer over 130 designer outlets.

Vaughan Mills
https://www.vaughanmills.com/
Our exclusive 55-passenger shopping shuttle provides free seasonal round-trip transportation from Toronto’s Union Station to Vaughan Mills twice a day. The Vaughan Mills Shopping Shuttle operates until September 30th and returns November 23 – December 26 for convenient Holiday Shopping!
Yorkdale Shopping Centre – Tourist Privilege Program  
www.yorkdale.com/tourism
Yorkdale is pleased to partner with travel professionals – from developing customized programs to creating added value to a package; we offer many services including our new Tourist Privileges program.

Tourist Privileges offers your clients access to a range of promotions & special savings.

FIT* guests can present their passport, hotel room key or driver’s license at any of our Guest Experience Desks to receive a Privileges Pass, which contains a QR code that can be scanned to view the current list of offers.

Registered Tour Group guests will receive a Privileges Pass during the Meet & Greet.

Once in-store, shoppers simply show their Pass, along with the offer on their mobile device to redeem.  
*FIT must reside 65km from Yorkdale.

**TRANSPORTATION**

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)  
www.ttc.ca
Toronto’s transit system has opened six new stations along the Toronto-York Subway Extension. This $3.18 billion dollar project will take commuters along the 8.6 km stretch with additional stops at York University, Pioneer Village, Highway 407 and Vaughan Metropolitan Centre.

**ADDED VALUE**

CityPASS Toronto  
www.citypass.com/partners/travel-trade
CityPASS ticket booklets save 36% off combined admission to CN Tower, Casa Loma, Royal Ontario Museum, Ripley’s Aquarium of Canada, and a choice between the Toronto Zoo OR Ontario Science Centre.

Pricing (excluding tax): Adults: $88 CAD; $59 CAD children ages 4-12.
Explore at your own pace with up to nine days to enjoy!

**SPECIAL EVENTS AND FESTIVALS**

PLEASE NOTE: Dates are subject to change without notice. Please consult the websites below.

**JULY**

Canada Day – July 1 -- www.toronto.ca/special_events  
Canada Day in Mississauga – July 1 -- www.mississauga.ca  
The Toronto Fringe Theatre Festival – July 4-15 -- http://fringetoronto.com/  
Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition – July 6-8 -- www.torontooutdoorart.org  
Summerlicious – July 6-22 -- www.toronto.ca/special_events  
Beaches International Jazz Festival – July 6 – 29 -- www.beachesjazz.com  
Afrofest – July 7-8 -- http://afrofest.ca/  
Salsa on St. Clair – July 7 – 8 -- www.salsaintoronto.com
Peeks Toronto Caribbean Carnival – July 7 to August 12 -- www.torontocaribbeancarnival.com
Toronto Summer Music Festival – July 12 – August 4 -- www.torontosummermusic.com
Carabram, Brampton’s Multicultural Festival – July 13–15-- http://www.carabram.org
Honda Indy Toronto – July 13 - 15 -- www.hondaindytoronto.com
Festival of India –July 14-15 -- www.festivalofindia.ca
RBC Canadian Open –July 23 -29 -- www.rbccanadianopen.ca
Toronto’s Festival of Beer – July 26-29 -- www.beerlicious.ca

AUGUST
Peeks Toronto Caribbean Carnival, King and Queen Competition – August 2 -- www.torontocaribbeancarnival.com
TD Mosaic South Asian Heritage Festival of Mississauga – August 3-5 -- www.communityart.ca
Peeks Caribbean Carnival Grand Parade – August 4 -- www.torontocaribbeancarnival.com
Tennis Canada’s: Roger’s Cup presented by National Bank (Men’s) – August 4-12 -- www.rogerscup.com
Summer Works Performance Festival – August 9-19 -- http://summerworks.ca
Roundhouse Craft Beer Festival – TBD -- http://www.craftbeefest.ca
JerkFest – Jerk Food Festival – August 9-12 -- www.jerkfestival.ca
Krinos Taste of the Danforth – August 10-12 -- http://tasteofthedanforth.com
Canadian National Exhibition – August 17 – September 3 -- www.theex.com
Toronto Chinatown Festival – TBD -- http://www.chinatownbia.com/eventsnews/toronto-chinatown-festival/
Fan Expo Canada – August 30 - September 2 -- www.fanexpocanada.com
Toronto International Buskerfest – August 31 – September 3 -- http://torontobuskerfest.com/

SEPTEMBER
Hispanic Fiesta – TBD -- www.hispanicfiesta.com
TIFF - Toronto International Film Festival – September 6-16-- https://www.tiff.net/tiff/
Toronto International Film Festival – September 7 -16 -- www.tiff.net
Tim Horton’s Southside Shuffle Blues & Jazz Festival – September 7 -9 -- www.southsideshuffle.com
Taste of the Kingsway Festival – TBD -- http://thekingsway.ca/events/taste-of-the-kingsway/
Small World Music Festival – TBD -- http://smallworldmusic.com
The Toronto 5K – September 8 -- www.runToronto.com
Bloor West Village Toronto Ukrainian Festival – September 14-16 -- www.ukrainianfestival.com
Toronto Beer Week – TBD -- http://torontobeerweek.com/
National Bridal Show – TBD -- www.nationalbridalshow.com
Toronto Garlic Festival – September 16 -- http://www.torontogarlicfestival.ca
Toronto Just for Laughs Festival – September – September 20-29 -- http://www.jfl42.com
Queen West Art Crawl –September 22-23 -- www.queenwestartcrawl.com
The Word on the Street – September 23 -- www.thewordonthestreet.ca
Toronto Oktoberfest –TBD-- www.torontooktoberfest.ca
Scotiabank Nuit Blanche – September 29 -- www.scotiabanknuitblanche.ca

OCTOBER
Toronto Chocolate Festival – October 1-30 – www.torontochocolatefestival.com
Creativ Festival (Fall Show) – October 11-13-- www.csnf.com
imagineNATIVE Film & Media Arts Festival – October 17-21 -- www.imaginenative.org
International Festival of Authors (IFOA) – October 18 – 28 -- www.ifoa.org
Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon – October 21 --www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com/
Planet in Focus Environmental Film Festival – October 25-28-- www.planetinfocus.org
Canada’s Walk of Fame Festival – TBD -- www.canadaswalkoffame.com
Art Toronto – October 26-29 -- www.tiafair.com
Halloweek – Month of October -- www.churchwellesleyvillage.ca

NOVEMBER
Royal Agricultural Winter Fair – November 2-11 -- www.royalfair.org
The National Women’s Show – November 9-11 -- http://www.nationalwomenshow.com
The Gentlemen’s Expo - TBD -- http://www.gentlemensexpo.com
Toronto Christmas Market at the Distillery District – TBD -- www.torontochristmasmarket.com
Santa Claus Parade – TBD -- www.thesantaclausparade.ca
One of a Kind Craft Show & Sale – November 22-December 2 -- www.oneofakindshow.com
Cavalcade of Lights – November 24 -- https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/

DECEMBER
New Year’s Eve – December 31 - https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/

TOUR PLANNING RESOURCES AT TOURISM TORONTO

Tourism Toronto’s International Websites:

Chinese  www.seetorontonow.cn
Japanese  www.seetorontonow.jp
Korean    www.seetorontonow.kr
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YouTube- https://www.youtube.com/user/seetorontonow/featured

Tourism Toronto’s Resource Toolkit:
Access the items in this toolkit to make the most of the great promotional resources that Tourism Toronto curates and creates.
http://trade.seetorontonow.com/resources/resource-toolkit/

Toronto Magazine: Food & Drink issue
Eat here now! Belly up to Toronto’s dynamic food scene. Includes undiscovered neighbourhood dining, celebrity chefs, top brunches, family fare and much more.

Toronto Style & Design Guide
Love design? Whether you’re seeking creative inspiration or are on the hunt for standout fashion, décor or gifts, Canada’s Downtown has it all. Our guide will help you discover it.

Yo Toronto: kids-first website
Recognizing the significant role kids today play in family travel planning, this site offers video highlights, print-friendly activities to take on the road, and scavenger hunt style
games and ‘best of’ lists to inspire families to visit and help them get the most out of their time in the city. Visit [http://yo-toronto.com/](http://yo-toronto.com/)

**Student and Youth Website**
Visit [www.SeeTorontoNow.com/StudentTravel](http://www.SeeTorontoNow.com/StudentTravel) for a complete list of Tourism Toronto partners offering performance opportunities, educational programs, evening activities, student-friendly hotels and other planning resources. Remember - no passports are required for student groups under 19 years of age, so a Toronto experience is easier than you think.

**Toronto Motor coach Parking Information**
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