

CAPITOL
THEATRE
2025



A PLACE
TO CALL
HOME

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The title for our 2025 Season is ***A Place to Call Home*** because these are stories of identity, of discovery, and of the importance of community in those personal journeys. While the work on stage might tug at your heart strings, have you laughing all the way home, or keep your toes tapping, we know that it will also speak to individual experiences of finding out where we fit in the world. These productions reflect a strong commitment to our values and a strong sense of balance—to welcome folks from near and far.

SAVE THE
DATE!

2025 RED CARPET GALA
APRIL 26, 2025

In these uncertain times, we believe that finding stories to connect us is a responsibility of both artists and arts organizations. By supporting diverse identities, encouraging and amplifying the voices of traditionally marginalized communities, and creating substantial new strategies towards accessibility, we can ensure that the Capitol's legacy is that of a true invitation for everyone. We hope that you'll feel right at home, here at the Capitol.

Sharing Stories.
Creating Memories.
Making Connections.
That's the Capitol.



OUR BIGGEST FANS
SAVE THE MOST!

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FEATURING THE ABOVE, **PLUS:**
Bad Hats Theatre's
Alice in Wonderland

Green Light Arts'
Let Me Explain

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YOUR CHOICE OF 3 SHOWS FROM
THE MAINSTAGE, MUSIC LOVERS' OR
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Preferred Dates & Seats

Book your seats before tickets go on sale for the general public.



Early Access

Receive presale offers on other Capitol Theatre productions and presentations.



Additional Savings

Save 10% on additional single tickets to Capitol Theatre productions and presentations.



Behind the Scenes

Exclusive or No Charge access to special Behind the Scenes and other special events.



Free Ticket Exchanges

No charge if your plans change making scheduling easy and stress-free.

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE

BEHIND THE SCENES

Throughout the season, we'll be offering backstage tours, artist talks, design presentations, and other events to get you behind the scenes at the Capitol. These events are **FREE** for subscribers, but available for everyone!

PAY-WHAT-YOU-CAN PREVIEW

Offering tiered pricing for our preview performances ensures that everyone has the opportunity to attend live, professional theatre in their community. Get the first look at each production and with flexible pricing, there's no reason to miss a show at the Capitol—no matter your budget!

TALK BACKS

If you want to hear from the actors themselves, we're hosting Talk Backs in 2025 after every Thursday evening performance. Stick around after the show for a **FREE** Q & A with the artists involved and find out more about the process of making live theatre.

RELAXED PERFORMANCES

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Relaxed Performances are a way for the Capitol Theatre to welcome the Disability and Neurodiverse Communities to our shows by designing theatre experiences that are more inclusive. In 2025, Relaxed Performances will be held on the second Sunday for each production in our Mainstage season. For more info visit capitoltheatre.com/relaxed-performances/

A musical take on this classic adventure!



Bad Hats Theatre's Alice in Wonderland

Adapted by **Fiona Sauder** Music by **Landon Doak & Victor Pokinko**
 Dramaturgy by **Matt Pilipiak** Directed by **Sue Miner**

This smash-hit family musical broke box office records over the past two years and now it's coming to the Capitol! Bad Hats Theatre's contemporary spin on Wonderland takes us down the rabbit hole with Alice, a girl with a lot of questions.

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MAY 16 – JUN 1, 2025							
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
					MAY 16	MAY 17	
		P = PWYC Preview Performance			* = Opening Night!	P 7:30	* 7:30
MAY 18	MAY 19	MAY 20	MAY 21	MAY 22	MAY 23	MAY 24	
2:00		T 10:30	T 10:30	T 10:30		2:00	
				T 7:30	7:30	7:30	
MAY 25	MAY 26	MAY 27	MAY 28	MAY 29	MAY 30	MAY 31	
R 2:00		T 10:30	T 10:30	T 10:30		2:00	
				T 7:30	7:30	7:30	
JUN 1							
2:00	T = Post-show Talkback		R = Relaxed Performance				

Artists: Landon Doak, Colleen Furlan, Fiona Sauder; Photographer: Leif Norman; Costume Designer: Ming Wong; Lighting Designer: Logan Raju Cracknell.

A heart-filled and hilarious musical about finding your voice.



WAITRESS

Music & Lyrics by **Sara Bareilles** Book by **Jessie Nelson**

Based on the motion picture by **Adrienne Shelly** Directed by **Rob Kempson**

Waitress tells the story of Jenna, an expert pie-maker who dreams of a way out of her small town and rocky marriage by entering a pie competition. But when she meets her new doctor, her plans get more complicated, and sugar, butter, and flour simply won't solve this conundrum.

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ALLAN & ROBIN DINES
of **GANARASKA**
BREWING COMPANY

JUN 13 – 29, 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					JUN 13	JUN 14
					P = PWYC Preview Performance	★ = Opening Night!
					P 7:30	★ 7:30
JUN 15	JUN 16	JUN 17	JUN 18	JUN 19	JUN 20	JUN 21
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				T 7:30	7:30	7:30
JUN 22	JUN 23	JUN 24	JUN 25	JUN 26	JUN 27	JUN 28
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				T 7:30	7:30	7:30
JUN 29						
2:00	T = Post-show Talkback		R = Relaxed Performance			

A classic story of friendship, family—and hair.



Steel Magnolias

By **Robert Harling**

Directed by **Courtney Ch'ng Lancaster**

Women are as delicate as magnolias but as tough as steel. This classic play tells the story of Truvy's in-home beauty parlor and the women who frequent it. As the women confront their own unique challenges, they rely on their friendship to get them through some of the hardships of life: health, family, religion, and relationships.

JUL 18 – AUG 3, 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					JUL 18	JUL 19
	P = PWYC Preview Performance			* = Opening Night!	P 7:30	* 7:30
JUL 20	2:00		2:00	2:00		2:00
JUL 27	2:00		2:00	2:00	7:30	7:30
					AUG 1	AUG 2
					7:30	7:30
AUG 3						
2:00	T = Post-show Talkback				R = Relaxed Performance	

PRODUCTION SPONSOR



Photo of Charlotte Dennis, Deborah Drakeford, Raquel Duffy, Brenda Robins, Carolyn Fe, and Belinda Corpuz by Sam Moffatt.

A world premiere musical about discovering home.



Rez Gas

By **Cale Crowe & Genevieve Adam**

Music Supervision by **Jeff Newberry** Directed by **Herbie Barnes**

After moving away from his home reservation to pursue a music career, Destin stumbles back into town with unexpected car trouble and lands at the Wide Wigwam, the diner at the centre of the community. There he finds many of those who he left behind and who want to remind him of his history and his place in the community.

AUG 22 – SEP 7, 2025							
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
					AUG 22	AUG 23	
	P = PWYC Preview Performance			★ = Opening Night!	P 7:30	★ 7:30	
AUG 24 2:00		AUG 26 2:00	AUG 27 2:00	AUG 28 2:00	AUG 29 7:30	AUG 30 2:00	
AUG 31 R 2:00	SEP 1	SEP 2 2:00	SEP 3 2:00	SEP 4 T 7:30	SEP 5 7:30	SEP 6 7:30	
SEP 7 2:00				T 7:30	7:30	7:30	
	T = Post-show Talkback				R = Relaxed Performance		

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Photo of Vinnie Alberto, Dillan Chiblow, and John Wamsley by Sam Moffatt.

A bad review becomes a brilliant one-man show!

HANDSOME BUT CHARMLESS

Created & Performed by **Kyle Golemba**

Music Direction by **Adam White**

Titled after Kyle's worst review, *Handsome But Charmless* chronicles his journey navigating life as an actor. Full of great Broadway music, hilarious stories, and reflections on the ups and downs of life in the theatre, Kyle (*Bed & Breakfast*, 2024) is sure to make you tap your toes while tickling your funny bone.

JUN 3 – 8, 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		JUN 3	JUN 4	JUN 5	JUN 6	JUN 7
★ = Opening Night!		★ 7:30	2:00 7:30	2:00 7:30	7:30	2:00 7:30
JUN 8	2:00					

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You may not be a Newfoundlander when you take your seat, but you'll feel like one when you leave!



THE NEWFOUNDLAND SONGBOOK

Created & Performed by **Shipyard Kitchen Party**

From the remote outports to the vibrant city of St. John's, you'll hear the timeless sea-shanties, triumphant ballads, and the hilarious foot-stomping sing-a-longs that make Canada's 10th province its most legendary. Featuring classic favourites from Great Big Sea, Ron Hynes, Buddy Wassisname and the Other Fellers, and Johnny Burke.

JUL 3 – 13, 2025						
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		★ = Opening Night!		★ 7:30	7:30	7:30
JUL 6	JUL 7	JUL 8	JUL 9	JUL 10	JUL 11	JUL 12
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JUL 13				7:30	7:30	7:30
2:00						

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A hilarious night of songs, satire, and personal stories.



Green Light Arts'

Let Me Explain

Created & Performed by **Izad Etemadi**

Directed by **Matt White**

Izad Etemadi has spent most of his life explaining himself to others: his ethnicity, his sexuality, the pronunciation of his name. This queer Iranian-Canadian immigrant born in Germany is going to attempt to explain his entire existence in 60-ish minutes, so he never has to do it again.

AUG 12 – 17, 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		AUG 12	AUG 13	AUG 14	AUG 15	AUG 16
★ = Opening Night!		★ 7:30	7:30	7:30	7:30	2:00
AUG 17	2:00					

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The songs you know and love live on stage!

Billboard in concert

THE POWER OF WOMEN + 1986

Conceived by **Jeff Newberry & Rob Kempson**

Our signature remix of your favourite tunes returns in 2025 with a twist. Created by local and regional artists, these unique concerts celebrate the top billboard hits of a given year. Featuring hits by: Aretha Franklin, Carole King, Mariah Carey, Adele, Taylor Swift, Lionel Richie, Patti LaBelle, Prince, Madonna, Bon Jovi, Janet Jackson, and many more!

MAR 8 – 9, 2025							
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THE POWER OF WOMEN						★ = Opening Night!	★ 7:30
MAR 9							
2:00							

SEP 26 – 28, 2025							
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					SEP 26	SEP 27	
1986						★ = Opening Night!	P 7:30 ★ 7:30
SEP 28							
2:00	P = PWYC Preview Performance						

All your favourite hits from Jersey Boys in one show!



How we got to
JERSEY 
A TALE OF TWO FRANKIES

Created and Performed by **Jeff Madden & Adrian Marchuk**
Musical Direction and Arrangements by **Mark Camilleri**

How We Got To Jersey: A Tale Of Two Frankies is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hear not one, but two Frankie Vallis in a show-stopping concert revue that takes you behind the scenes of the blockbuster Broadway smash hit, *Jersey Boys*. Starring Adrian Marchuk and Jeff Madden, find out how two small-town Canadian kids grew up to both play a bonafide Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame superstar on stages around the world, to an audience of millions.

OCT 24 – 26, 2025						
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					OCT 24	OCT 25
					★ = Opening Night!	2:00
					★ 7:30	7:30
OCT 26						
2:00						

A twisted and sugary fairytale for the holidays!



HANSEL the sticky & & GRETEL sweet panto

By **Rob Kempson** Musical Arrangements by **Jeff Newberry**

Directed by **Rob Kempson** Music Direction by **Scott Pietrangelo**

Hansel and Gretel are siblings who are abandoned in a forest, and due to some rather unfortunate navigation, they fall into the hands of a nasty witch who lives in a gingerbread house. With songs you know and love, hilarious characters, and the silliest of stories, this sugar-laden panto will have you rolling in the aisles!

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NOV 21 – DEC 28, 2025						
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					† = PWYC Preview Performance	★ = Opening Night!
					† 7:30	★ 7:30
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DEC 28						
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7:30						

HOLIDAYS AT THE CAPITOL

November 21 - December 31, 2025

Spend your holidays with the Capitol and create long-lasting memories and traditions. From our annual Festival of Lights & Trees, to our locally-made panto, and holiday concerts, the Capitol is the perfect place to celebrate the season with folks of all ages!

29th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS & TREES

The Festival of Lights and Trees illuminates Northumberland County's holiday spirit like nothing else. Since its inception in 1997, this annual fundraising initiative has been a community favourite, creating memories and becoming a holiday tradition for guests of all ages, all while raising essential operating funds for the Capitol Theatre.



NOV 21 – DEC 21, 2025

HOLIDAY CONCERTS

Whether you're looking for holiday classics or something totally new, the Capitol's holiday concerts will keep you dancing through the season and right to the new year!



THE GOOD LOVELIES

MORE AT THE CAPITOL

CAMP CAPITOL

Our Performing Arts Camps are fun filled days of Art, Music, Drama, and Dance. Build confidence, learn new skills, and have a lot of fun!

Get an introduction to the exciting world of live theatre and the backstage magic that makes it all come to life—in the beautiful and inspiring setting of the Capitol Theatre.



Beginner and experienced performers welcome!

- March Break: March 10 -14, 2025
- Summer #1: July 21 - 25, 2025
- Summer #2: August 18 - 22, 2025

PLAY READING WEEK

OCTOBER 1-4, 2025

The Capitol Theatre runs an annual Creators' Unit featuring writers and creators from across the region. Creators meet throughout the year, receive dramaturgical feedback, and work towards public staged readings during Play Reading Week. These readings are a free offering for audiences, and an opportunity to hear new works in development as part of our commitment to developing stories for, by, and about our community.

MET OPERA ON SCREEN

LEAD SUPPORTER **PEGGY & ROLLY DALLA ROSA PRATI**

The MetOpera Live program is offered in the spring and fall, according to the schedule created by the Metropolitan Opera in NYC. Come and see the world famous work of the Met on screen at the Capitol. Check out our website and newsletter for more information and schedule announcements.



MORE MUSIC AT THE CAPITOL

Beyond our season offerings, the Capitol plays host to a variety of concerts, cabarets, and kitchen parties (our local roots-based music series) throughout the year. Stay tuned for regular show announcements celebrating folks from our own backyard and around the world!



PLAY A PART IN THE 2025 SEASON!

JOIN THE CAPITOL CIRCLE

We invite you to play a part in the Capitol's success story.

As a member of the Capitol Circle, your tax-deductible contributions are invaluable to ensuring the long-term sustainability of our organization while providing the additional support to expand our activities, ensure accessible ticket prices, support community initiatives, and to maintain our beautiful heritage venue—a key economic driver and community hub in Northumberland County.



The five levels of Capitol Circle Memberships—Bronze to Ambassador's Club—offer benefits including name recognition in production programmes, invitation to the annual member's reception, and access to book private concerts performed by season artists.

The Capitol Theatre is a not-for-profit organization and a registered charity. This means that any donation of \$20 or more qualifies for a Canada Revenue Agency tax credit. Capitol Circle Memberships start at only \$50 and a tax receipt will be issued promptly upon completion of your donation.

Find out more at
[CAPITOLTHEATRE.COM
/MEMBERSHIP](https://www.capitoltheatre.com/membership)

BE A VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are the heartbeat of our organization.

The Capitol Theatre relies

on a phenomenal group of volunteers to help us deliver exceptional service to our patrons. If you're interested in a unique opportunity to give back to your community, we welcome newcomers who are interested in sharing in this rewarding experience.



At the Capitol you will meet other volunteers who share the same interests, learn more about the historic theatre site, and help us to provide a quality theatre-going experience for all patrons.

The Capitol's 2025 season will bring many exciting projects—join us and become a part of the experience of taking entertainment in Port Hope to new and exciting heights!

Find out more at
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MAKE A DONATION

Like all arts institutions in Canada, the Capitol Theatre relies on donors to help accomplish everything we do. Your support helps us to create high quality professional theatre, attract the best artists from across the country, partner with local businesses and arts organizations, offer community programming, and keep our tickets affordable.

Just as importantly, when you support the Capitol, you are helping Port Hope and the region. Our success is reflected in the success of our local economy—restaurants, shops, and hotels. In turn, those businesses employ people in the area and inject more into the community. If you love Port Hope, we invite you to be part of its success by making a donation to the Capitol.

Find out more at

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HOST AN ARTIST

The Capitol Theatre's 2025 Season: A Place To Call Home will bring more than 90 artists from across Canada to Port Hope! Hosting a Capitol Theatre artist in your home, also known as "billeting," is a great way to meet artists from far and wide, get more connected to the theatre, receive a modest weekly billet fee, and see Capitol Theatre productions for free!

Contact

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for more information.

BECOME A SPONSOR

Become a sponsor of the Capitol's 2025 Season —and reach new audiences for your business. Sponsorship comes with a number of benefits for businesses and organizations of all sizes!

- Brand Awareness through Logo Recognition in Marketing Materials
- Advertising in House Programs, TV Screens, and Newsletters
- Complimentary Tickets & Opening Night Reception Invites
- Backstage Access & Tours with the Artistic Director

Whether you'd like to sponsor a production or an individual performance, the Capitol has a number of options to help connect your business to our audiences while contributing to ensuring artistic excellence for every production.

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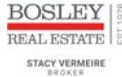
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