

BLACK & WHITE
BALL

Be
ENCHANTED

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022

IN SUPPORT OF

ROYAL
MTC
MANITOBA THEATRE CENTRE

• EVENT • SCHEDULE

6 PM

RECEPTION

Sponsored by Birchwood Lexus
Sparkling Wine, Bon Vivant Tripel, Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres

SILENT AUCTION

Sponsored by Tanchak Wealth Management
Available in person and online

7 PM

WELCOME ADDRESS FOLLOWED BY DINNER

Natalie Bell, *Emcee*
Kelly Thornton, *Royal MTC Artistic Director*

SWORD FIGHTING DEMONSTRATION

Jacqueline Loewen & Darren Martens

LIVE AUCTION

Sponsored by ADESA

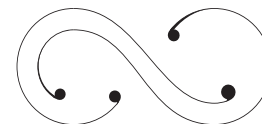
FILLMORE RILEY VACATION PRIZE

Tickets available until 10:30 PM

Dancing until 1 AM

BIG CITY ALL STAR BAND

Sponsored by Taylor McCaffrey LLP





The Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre is proud to call Manitoba home. Royal MTC is located in Winnipeg on Treaty 1 territory, the lands of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota and Dene peoples, and the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. We are thankful for the benefits sharing this land has afforded us, acknowledge the responsibilities of the Treaties, and embrace the opportunity to partner with Indigenous communities in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

MESSAGE FROM

The Chair of the Black & White Ball Committee

ONCE UPON A TIME ...

A deep breath of earthy air. A drink from a cool stream. A light wind that cools the face. The sound of hooves beating through the forest. A path amongst the trees, full of twists and turns, promising adventure...

The stage is set for the Black & White Ball: BE ENCHANTED. This evening is a celebration of being charmed and bewitched, of being transported from a dark theatre to another place and time – be it fantastical or somewhere closer to home. For over 65 years, Royal MTC has delighted us with creativity and imagination. Tonight, it's up to us to make sure that our artists continue to tell stories for years to come.

To our sponsors, donors, supporters, and partners, we are deeply grateful for your support. When we've needed you the most, you've been there. Thank you for being our knights in shining armour.

To our guests, thank you for helping us to write a new chapter. We've been waiting a long time to pull out our finery, put on an epic feast, and have a ball with you again. We hope you enjoy it to the hilt – eat, drink, dance, and be merry.

To our committee members and volunteers, my enduring thanks. This event could not happen without your talents. You have been like swans, propelling forward with elegance, grace, and devotion.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge those who steadfastly bring magic to my life: my family, our friends, our animals, and my personal fairy godmother. I don't know what I have done to deserve such a happily ever after, but I never, ever take it for granted.

Love & Light,

Elsebeth Hansen-Kriening
Chair



MESSAGE FROM

The Chair of the Royal MTC Board of Trustees

AN EVENING TO BE ENCHANTED

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Executive Director Camilla Holland, and Artistic Director Kelly Thornton, I am thrilled to welcome you to Winnipeg's best party - the Black & White Ball. We are so happy to gather in person to enjoy an evening of whimsy - where fairy tales and elegance intermingle. Along with fine dining, awesome dance music and amazing auction prizes, we are here to celebrate Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre's extraordinary 2022/23 season.

A new beginning - after several difficult and challenging years, Royal MTC is inviting our treasured audiences to experience an exhilarating playbill showcasing everything from beloved musicals to Broadway hits, classics to

provocative new work, and two made-in-Manitoba stories!

We are excited to bring to our stage one of Stephen Sondheim's most popular musicals, *Into the Woods*. This Tony Award-winning production intertwines the plots of several fairy tales and follows colliding characters each in pursuit of happy ever after! And after the past two years, don't we all deserve a little happy ever after?

This incredible evening is made possible by a brilliant team of staff and volunteers, once again led by event chair Elsebeth Hansen-Krienig. Please join me in extending a huge thank you to Elsebeth and the entire Black & White Ball Committee.

Royal MTC is extremely grateful to our patrons, donors, corporate sponsors and individuals for their generosity over the past two unprecedented seasons - thank you! Your continued financial support and your return to live theatre will ensure Royal MTC continues to share heartwarming and poignant stories for decades and remain an integral part of our city's arts and cultural scene.

Enjoy this very special evening - be present, be lighthearted and be enchanted!

Laurie Speers

Chair, Royal MTC Board of Trustees

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Our deepest thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this event possible.

Jacqueline Loewen and Darren Martens are participating in Royal MTC's Black and White Ball with the generous support of Canadian Actors' Equity Association. Our special thanks to everyone at MTC who helped make this event happen. Ice Sculpture generously provided by John Wade Ice Sculptures.

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**Every effort has been made to ensure this program is accurate as of October 14.*

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VACATION PRIZE

Lake Louise Adventure FOR TWO

Explore the majesty of the Rocky Mountains
with a seven-day trip to beautiful Lake Louise.

Includes airfare, accommodations, car rental, and \$500 spending money.
Travel dates to be mutually agreed upon between
January 10–May 3, 2023 (excludes April 8–10)

This prize is valued at \$6,500
BUY TICKETS NOW!
1 for \$50, 3 for \$100

Proceeds in support of Royal MTC's productions and programs



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MENU

ACT I

Parsnip and Pear Bisque
With savoury granola

ACT II

Artisan Mixed Green Salad
Freshly shaved garden crudités, candied pecans, orange segments, feta cheese and a sweet herb dressing

ACT III

Beef Tenderloin
Potato and leek pavé, rainbow carrots, broccolini,
with a red wine jus

Seared Salmon
Potato and leek pavé, asparagus, roasted radish,
with a caviar beurre blanc

Green Peas Risotto
Root vegetable puree, turmeric cauliflower,
toasted cashew, crispy tofu and salsa verde

STANDING OVATION

**Flourless Chocolate Cake with
creme anglais and raspberry variation**
with coffee and tea

ENCORE

Butter Chicken Poutine
courtesy of East India Company

WINE PROVIDED BY **Jones & Company**
— WINE MERCHANTS —

SILENT AUCTION

SPONSORED BY TANCHAK WEALTH MANAGEMENT

WE'VE GONE DIGITAL!

Visit blackandwhiteauction.ca or use the Givergy tablet in the foyer to bid on the wide selection of wonderful prizes and art pieces for auction.

Pick out surprises for a loved one or treat yourself to something special.

NEED HELP GETTING STARTED?

Ask a Givergy staff member or volunteer if you have any questions!

HOW TO WIN

- Create an account on the tablet or on your personal device
- View items by lot number or category.
- Bid on items you love - you can even set a maximum bid, so Givergy does the work for you. Don't worry, it only bids automatically if you are outbid. Set it and forget it!
- You will be notified with your winning bids via e-mail when the auction ends.

THE DETAILS

- Prizes will be automatically paid in full by the winning bidder after the auction closes.
- Pick-up and delivery of items will be scheduled during the week of November 1-4.
- Tax receipts are not available for payments on auction items.



BID NOW!

Auction Closes Monday October 31, 2022 at 8PM

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS AUCTION DONORS!

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ONE BID AT A TIME

ADESA Winnipeg has graciously donated their time and services this evening to run our Live Auction. Thank you, ADESA, for your support of Royal MTC!



HOW TO WIN

- The live auction will be held following dinner. Hold up the numbered paddle located at your seat to make a bid
- Live auction prizes are won by the highest bidder. Successful bidders will be contacted by Royal MTC Staff about pick up or delivery after auctions closes
- Royal MTC accepts payment by credit card, cash, and cheque. Prizes must be paid in full before the close of the evening.

LOT #1 East India Company Dining Experience



Explore the culture and savour exceptional South Asian cuisine with a dining experience for eight at East India Company. Together with Sachit Mehra, you'll plan your multi-course menu inspired by the classic Mehra family North Indian recipes that have made East India Company a five-star buffet for almost 30 years.

Your one-of-a-kind evening includes a multi-course dinner with wine pairings for eight guests and a guided exploration of the cultural heritage of each course.

Deepen your experience with eight tickets to see Royal MTC's world premiere of *New* by Pamala Mala Sinha and a backstage tour after your performance.

Your prize includes:

- Custom designed dinner with wine pairings for eight at East India Company. Date to be mutually agreed upon.
- Eight tickets to see *New* at Royal MTC Warehouse - Nov 2-19 (booked separately from dinner). Post show backstage tour.

THIS PRIZE IS VALUED AT \$2,000

Donated by East India Company and Royal MTC

LOT #2 Smokin' Hot BBQ Party



Hold on to that summer feeling for a little longer with everything you need to make your backyard ready for the perfect summer barbeque.

Your prize includes:

- Traeger Pro 22 Wood Pellet Smoker, Traeger cover and one bag of Traeger Signature Pellets

- \$250 Winnipeg Specialty Meats gift certificate
- \$250 Liquor Mart gift certificate
- \$150 Luxe BBQ gift certificate
- Selection of Luxe BBQ rubs, sauces, and BBQ tools
- For Living Portable Propane Gas Fire Bowl

THIS PRIZE IS VALUED AT \$2,500

Donated by Peterbilt Manitoba Ltd., Enns Brothers, Winnipeg Specialty Meats, Luxe BBQ & Liquor Mart

LOT #3 Exquisite At-Home Catered Dinner for Eight



Stay in and stay fabulous with an exquisite dinner for eight guests from WOW! Catering. Prepared by award-winning Chef Luc Jean, your three-course dinner includes fine wine pairings from Jones & Co. Wine Merchants.

WOW! Catering has got you covered with customized menus passionately crafted for any event.

Your prize includes:

- Dining package consisting of appetizers, entrees, dessert, coffee, and wine pairings.
- The package includes taxes, but not gratuity.
- *Booking based on availability. Expires September 30, 2023.*

Donated by WOW! Hospitality Concepts

LOT #4 Your Choice of Gucci Jewellery



Say yes to almost anything with \$2,500 worth of Gucci Jewellery from IJL.

From gorgeous necklaces to rings and bracelets, Gucci redefines luxury for the 21st century. Eclectic, contemporary, romantic—Gucci products represent the pinnacle of Italian craftsmanship and are unsurpassed for their quality and attention to detail.

IJL remains family-owned and operated since 1937 giving Winnipeg access to the most iconic brands in the world at their brand-new store at 493 Notre Dame Ave.

THIS PRIZE IS VALUED AT \$2,500

Donated by IJL

Your prize includes:

- \$2,500 gift certificate for Gucci Jewellery from IJL.
- *Expires September 30, 2023. No cash value. Must be used in person towards regular priced GUCCI Jewellery. Cannot be combined with any other offer, discount or promotion or used toward repairs or services. Taxes cannot be redeemed with the gift certificate.*

LOT #5 Bring Hermanos Home



This interactive dining experience for twelve guests brings Hermanos to your home. Chef Jose Miguel Bragado will create an unforgettable evening as he shows you and your guests how to create incredible South American cuisine in your own kitchen. Your evening includes all food and wine pairings served by Hermanos' finest.

From tapas to steaks, drinks to dessert, Hermanos is a truly unique experience that will not disappoint.

THIS PRIZE IS VALUED AT \$1,800

Donated by Hermanos Restaurant & Wine Bar

LOT #6
Surface604 Shred
Electric Bike



Whether it's a mountain trail, weekend ride, or your daily commute, the 2022 Surface604 Shred electric bicycle gets you where you want to go. This versatile e-bike mixes high performance with ergonomic design that will take you anywhere you want to ride. Winner of the 'Best Electric Bikes' from ElectricBikeReview.com

Specifications:

- ML Frame, 48V 14AH Lithium-ion battery
- 500W+ rear hub motor (peaks at 750W)
- Top speed: 20 MPH - Range: 45 miles

THIS PRIZE IS VALUED AT \$3,499

Donated by WSL Sport & Leisure

LOT #7
Your Choice of
Adventure in Churchill



Immerse yourself in the subarctic on an adventure to Churchill. Choose your season and dine beneath the northern lights, see the flowering tundra or view polar bears. Frontiers North, the only Certified B Corporation tour operator in Canada, invites you to explore the North!

Winter 2023 (Feb-Mar): Traverse the frozen Churchill River for a culinary experience that will be a feast for your eyes and taste buds as you dine beneath the dancing northern lights at Dan's Diner.

Summer 2023 (July-Aug): Enjoy a Tundra Buggy® Day Tour out on the tundra as it comes to life with colourful flora and fauna. View migratory birds, caribou and perhaps even polar bears.

Autumn 2023 (Oct-Nov): Explore the tundra on a Tundra Buggy for the opportunity to witness polar bears as they roam their natural habitat in the Churchill Wildlife Management Area.

Your once-in-a-lifetime trip includes:

- Airfare for two from Winnipeg to Churchill courtesy of Calm Air
- Two-night stay at the Tundra Inn
- Tundra Buggy Day Tour or Dan's Diner Individual Tickets for two
- Gift certificate for dinner at the Tundra Pub or the Ptarmigan restaurant
- Trip must be booked by November 2023 - your choice of winter, summer, or autumn dates (subject to availability).

Donated by Frontier North Adventures with flights by Calm Air

ONE MORE CHANCE TO
SUPPORT
the
THEATRE

Our talented auctioneer Gregg Maidment from ADESA Winnipeg will open to the floor to accept donations from anyone who would like to make a contribution to support Royal MTC.

Whether it's putting great theatre onto our stage, supporting the development of artists, or creating the next generation of theatre lovers YOU can make a difference today.

Please raise your paddles or hands to show that you believe in the power of theatre to ignite conversations and engage community.

••• THANK YOU •••
FOR SHARING IN THE ACT OF IMAGINING!

BE
ENCHANTED
BY OUR FUTURE



By attending the Black & White Ball, you're helping to make magic happen onstage.

Whether it's a network news studio in 1970 or a fairytale kingdom, theatre has the power to transport audiences into a new world. For over 65 years, Royal MTC has been creating enchanting evenings at the theatre. With your help, we'll be here for another 65 years.

BECAUSE OF YOU:

- Exceptional theatre has a home on our stage •
- Local artists are developing their craft through mentorship and training •
- A new generation of theatre lovers are seeing shows and learning through engaging youth programs •

**THANK YOU
FOR JOINING US AT THE
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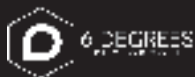
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Keep an eye out for Red Photo Co. who will be snapping candid photos throughout the evening and visit the 6 Degrees Photobooth in the foyer to capture your fairytale adventure.

Share your photo booth fun and stay in touch with us @MTCwinnipeg and #MTCbwBall

Please note - photos may be used in print and on Royal MTC's promotional platforms.

Please inform the Red Photo Co. team if you do not wish to have your photo used.



JAN 10 →
FEB 4

JOHN HIRSCH
MAINSTAGE

INTO *the* WOODS

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim
Book by James Lapine

Originally Directed on Broadway by James Lapine
Orchestrations by Jonathan Tunick | Directed by Kelly Thornton



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