



Press Release

## Thursday Nights at the Bandstand Opens Unionville Festival 50 Celebrating 11<sup>th</sup> Season of Outstanding Music in Unionville

**May, 2019, Unionville, Ontario** – We're back for Season 11!!! Our popular, free summer music series "**Thursday Nights at the Bandstand**" kicks off **Unionville Festival 50** on May 30 with Community favorite **Community Soul Project** at **Unionville's Millennium Bandstand** at the corner of Main Street and Fred Varley Drive. Organized by community-based Unionville Presents and funded by dedicated community spirited sponsors, the series attracts talented Canadian and International musical artists to the outdoor Millennium Bandstand for all to enjoy free of charge. This year we are pleased to have **B-Strong** and **Brain Tumor Research** as our valued Community Awareness Partner. November 26, 2019 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **Lindsay Bolger's** passing. Lindsay's remarkable efforts with the establishment and legacy of **B-Strong** for Brain Tumor research while she personally struggled and ultimately succumbed to the disease at the young age of 26 was and continues to be unparalleled. August 29 will be a special tribute night to **Lindsay Bolger** and **B-Strong**. The 2019 series runs on 14 consecutive Thursday evenings from May 30 through August 29 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

This year's outstanding line-up continues on June 6 with **Epic Journey**, an all new tribute to **Journey**. First timer **Fresh Horses** brings a little bit of country on June 13 with a warm tribute to **Garth Brooks**, sure to get your feet stomping!! Popular dance band **Sensation** boogies in the first day of summer on June 20 getting you out of your chair and into your dancing shoes!! Fan favorite **Hotel California** returns on June 27 fresh from a spectacular sold out April date at Flato Theatre with the incomparable harmonies of the **Eagles** and the all new Don Henley on the kit.

2019 multiple Academy Award winning **Bohemian Rhapsody** will Rock You on July 4 with **Simply Queen's** tribute to **Freddie Mercury** and **Queen**. First timer glamorous, talented **Shania Twin** fresh from her Vegas act graces the stage on July 11 with her tribute to Canada's own **Shania!!** Fan favorite **Night Fever** and the multiple dance hits of the **Bee Gees** are back on July 18 for yet another big dance night on the piazza!! The incomparable Rocket Man **Elton Rohn**



with his magnificent performance and outstanding tribute to **Elton John's** greatest hits returns on July 25 following another outstanding performance in early April at Flato Theatre.

First timers, **Jukebox Heroes International Tribute to Foreigner** on August 1 opens our final month of the season with their tribute to the unique US/UK band **Foreigner** together with one of the greatest hits of all time **I Want to Know What Love Is!!!** Mamma Mia!., **ABBA Revisited** returns on August 8 with their tribute to **ABBA**, one of the most commercially successful bands of all time. Perennial favorite performing on August 15 is Unionville's adopted Thursday Nights at the Bandstand artist and World Music chart-topper **Johannes Linstead** performing his brilliant fiery classical repertoire to light up the mid-August night!!! **Dreamer** and their **Supertramp Experience** will be sure to bring back some fond memories of the progressive pop rock band **Supertramp** on August 22. **Brass Transit** returns on August 29 to close out our 11<sup>th</sup> season with their unparalleled tribute to **Chicago** highlighting a special evening dedicated to the memory of **Lindsay Bolger** and **B-Strong**.

Thursday Nights at the Bandstand is financially supported by our dedicated and committed sponsors. The series is entirely funded by the support of the **Forrestall Group's CaTech Systems** and **PeopleToGo**, **Pfaff BMW Markham**, **Village Grocer**, **Crupi Law**, **Yamaha Music** and **Markville Chevrolet**. Community builders **Kylemore Communities**, **Remington Group**, **Ledgemark Homes**, **Minto Group** and **Watford Group** continue their valued support along with new community development sponsors **The Sher Corporation** and **Nascent Development**. And Unionville Main Street supporters **UBIA**, **Unionville Arms**, **Minken Employment Lawyers**, **Sylvia Morris Century 21**, **Ambiyan**, **The Roberts Group** and **Ashgrove Spa** provide the local Main Street financial support. The **Village Grocer** provides a second to none catered pre-event meal each week for all of our bands and tech's. Additional services and support is provided by **Celebrate Markham**, the **City of Markham**, photographer **Robert Hyland**, media partners **Intrigue Media**, **Markham Today**, website partner **HOBO Computer Services** and sound production by **Chris MacBride Productions** and **RP Dynamics**.

For line-up details and additional information check out [www.unionvillepresents.com](http://www.unionvillepresents.com) or contact Bill Dawson at [info@unionvillepresents.com](mailto:info@unionvillepresents.com).



**2019 Performance Line-up**

- May 30      Community Soul Project – UF 50 Kickoff**
- June 6        Epic Journey – Journey Tribute**
- June 13      Fresh Horses – Garth Brooks**
- July 20        Sensation – Eclectic Pop**
- June 27      Hotel California – Eagles Tribute**
- July 4         Simply Queen – Queen Tribute**
- July 11        Shania Twin – Shania Twain Tribute**
- July 18        Night Fever – Bee Gees Tribute**
- July 25        Elton Rohn – Elton John Tribute**
- August 1      Jukebox Heroes – Foreigner Tribute**
- August 8      ABBA Revisited – ABBA Tribute**
- August 15    Johannes Linstead - Fiery Spanish and Mediterranean Evening**
- August 22    Dreamer The Supertramp Experience - Supertramp Tribute**
- August 29    Brass Transit – Chicago Tribute**