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## **Jackson Triggs Amphitheatre 2011 Concert Series Line-up Unveiled**

*Summer Series Packed with Impressive Canadian Performers*

APRIL 28, 2011 - **Jackson-Triggs' Niagara Estate Winery** today announced the first of its much anticipated performances for the **Jackson Triggs Amphitheatre 2011 Concert Series**. The Online Box Office will be open for ticket sales May 4<sup>th</sup>. Now celebrating its 11<sup>th</sup> year, the summer series has become a "must do" for music lovers. The focus on Canadian talent amid the dramatic open-air Roman style amphitheatre promises to provide many memorable nights this summer.

Confirmed performances to date for the 2011 season include: **Sam Roberts** (June 18); **Chantal Kreviazuk** (June 25); **Gord Downie** (July 22, 23); **Colin James** (July 30, 31); **Serena Ryder** (August 6); **Spirit of the West** (August 13); **Joel Plaskett** (August 20).

New this year, we look forward to adding Canadian Comedians to our line-up with the comedy troupe **Women Fully Clothed** (August 27).

The third annual, not to be missed **ROOTSTOCK**, a songwriter's circle of highly acclaimed musicians sharing stories and songs together, will be announced in the near future, as well as the rest of this season's line-up.

**Wine and Culinary:** The **Jackson Triggs Amphitheatre** concert series offers a unique and relaxed way to enjoy wine country at its best while catching some of Canada's premiere talent under the stars and nestled in the vineyards. Enjoy sipping the award winning wines of Jackson Triggs Winemaker **Marco Piccoli** and savouring Niagara's outstanding local fare prepared by our Chef, **David Penny**.

### **AMPHITHEATRE DINING**

Two pre-ordered options are available while purchasing tickets. Vegetarian option is available.

All performances begin at 8:00 pm.

**1. Barrel Cellar Dinner-\$85.00 plus tax and gratuity (food and wine included).**

Our popular four- course locally sourced menu paired with VQA wines in the underground barrel cellar.

**2. Picnic Boxes: Three selections. Wine available for purchase by the glass.**

**"Vintners Picnic" - \$15.00 plus tax (food prices only).**

Tomato Salad with Fresh Mozzarella and Basil; Crudite with White Bean Hummus; Cured Meats, Canadian Cheeses, Artisan Bread with Housemade Preserves

**"Winemakers Picnic"-\$25.00 plus tax (food prices only).**Grilled Striploin, Acini di Pepe & St. Davids Vegetables; Haricot Vert Salad with Tarragon Vinaigrette; Red Wine Potato Salad; Crudite with White Bean Hummus and Artisan Breads

**"Canadian Cheese Selection": \$10.00 plus tax (food prices only).** Chef's selection of three Canadian cheeses with Artisan Breads and Housemade Preserves.

Lighter a la carte fare with wine available for purchase by the glass.

**1. The Tasting Gallery- \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00** The lighter fare 'SMALL PLATES' menu consist of sandwich, soup, salad and cheese & charcuterie.

**2. Under the Hospitality Marquee:-\$2.50-\$10.00**

Starting at 6:30 pm enjoy delicious concession snacks ranging from gourmet popcorn, Artisan Cheeses to house made pretzels and gourmet roasted nuts.

**Ticket information:** All tickets are general admission. Reserved seating is provided only for Wine Club Members and Barrel Cellar diners. Show times are at 8:00 pm sharp and will go on rain or shine.

Tickets: **\$65.00 CDN plus \$4.00 service charge** and applicable tax.

Ticket sales are available at the On Line Box Office [www.jacksontriggswinery.com](http://www.jacksontriggswinery.com) or alternatively, you may call (905)468-4637 ext. 2 or toll free in Canada at 1(866)589-4637 ext. 2.

Video cameras and any other sound or image-recording devices are strictly forbidden.

### **Jackson-Triggs Niagara Estate Winery presents 2011 Amphitheatre all-star line-up:**

#### **SAM ROBERTS – JUNE 18:**

Juno-award winner Sam Roberts will take a break from a hectic tour schedule to deliver a rocking outdoor concert. Sam Roberts highly anticipated fourth studio album, *Collider*, is set for North American release May 10<sup>th</sup>, so anticipate old favorites meshed with brand new material.

#### **CHANTAL KREVIAZUK – LIVE DVD RECORDING – JUNE 25:**

Juno award-winning Chantal Kreviazuk has released five albums of original music creating international hits such as “Surrounded”, “Feels Like Home” and “Invincible”. This year, Chantal’s performance will be recorded live for DVD release, as well as for future broadcast –a first at the Amphitheatre.

#### **GORD DOWNIE – JULY 22 and 23:**

A Canadian music legend in his own right, Gord Downie is back following an unbelievable performance at last year’s *Twilight* series. Downie continues to work on his own material as well as material for a new album with his band, The Tragically Hip.

#### **COLIN JAMES – JULY 30 and 31:**

Yet another Juno award-winner on this year’s roster, crowd pleaser Colin James returns to the stage following the release of “Take It From The Top: The Best Of,” an album that pays tribute to the past and present. The new album features the best rock and pop tracks from James’ impressive 23 year, 13 album recording career, and you can expect a mix of the same at his live performances.

#### **SERENA RYDER – AUGUST 6:**

Pure raw amazing talent is what has garnered Canada’s own Serena Ryder such great success and genuine accolades so early in her career. Known for her powerful vocal range, Ryder who hails from the small town of Millbrook, Ontario, has already earned a Canadian GOLD record, the 2008 JUNO Award for New Artist of the Year, a #1 holiday single for “Calling To Say,”.

#### **SPIRIT OF THE WEST – AUGUST 13:**

13 albums later, Spirit of the West have achieved status as one of the most beloved ‘Legacy Artists’ in Canadian history, having proven themselves to be road-worthy, durable, having toured Canada, the US, UK and Europe consistently, building a dedicated following of fans from all over the world. They have been inducted into the Halls of Fame / Lifetime Achievement Categories by the Western Canadian Music Association and the Society of Composers and Music Publishers of Canada.

#### **JOEL PLASKETT – AUGUST 20:**

Indie favorite Joel Plaskett will play a number of songs from his latest solo album, *Three*. The album has been hailed as a “masterpiece 3 disc collection featuring an eclectic blend of styles...A songwriters holy trinity...” “Three” marks another landmark in the career of this great Canadian songwriter.”

**WOMEN FULLY CLOTHED – AUGUST 27:**

This all-star cast of five renowned Canadian comedy artists has made a hit out of material invoking the challenges of juggling family life and careers. Starring Kathryn Greenwood (This Hour Has 22 Minutes), Robin Duke (SNL/SCTV), Debra McGrath (Little Mosque on the Prairie), Jayne Eastwood (My Big Fat Greek Wedding) and Teresa Pavlinek (The Jane Show), you need to see it to understand why Eugene Levy calls them “the five funniest women in Canada.”

**ROOTSTOCK – DATE AND LINE-UP TBC:**

After another extremely successful year, the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Rootstock will make a return appearance in early September. This year’s line-up and details will be announced shortly.

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