

## **BEGGARS BLUES BANQUET IN AUGUST KICKING OFF THE 25th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANNUAL TIM HORTONS SOUTHSIDE SHUFFLE IN PORT CREDIT**

Mississauga, Ont. - Get ready for an unforgettable night as a stellar line up of Juno Award winners and nominees take the stage to kick off the 25th-anniversary celebration of the Tim Hortons Southside Shuffle. The event will be held on Thursday, August 17, 2023, at The Port Credit Legion in Port Credit, Mississauga, Ontario.

The 25th Anniversary Shuffle Allstars, consisting of members from renowned bands such as Downchild Blues Band, Fathead, and The Maple Blues Revue, will perform alongside special guests Chuck Jackson, Jack de Keyzer, Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne, and Spencer Mackenzie.

Traditionally held on the Thursday night before the festival in September, the Beggars Blues Banquet will deviate from its usual schedule this year. It will be hosted three weeks prior to the award-winning festival, which has been transforming the village of Port Credit and Memorial Park into a musical wonderland every year since 1999, following Labor Day.

*"We wanted to start the party earlier this year to get everyone into the spirit and celebrate the incredible milestone of 25 years that our dedicated community has achieved since 1999,"* said Artistic Director Chuck Jackson. *"The Beggars Blues Banquet offers fans an exclusive preview of the exceptional performers we have lined up for our main stage. It provides a more intimate and close-up experience, allowing musicians to interact with the audience, fellow artists, and the media."*

In addition to a memorable night of blues and dancing, this year's event, sponsored by RBC Wealth Management Dominion Securities, will highlight the 2023 Mississauga Music Walk of Fame inductees, and provide details of their ceremony held during Shuffle weekend. Attendees will also enjoy an amazing charcuterie buffet catered by The Cheese Boutique, have the chance to bid on auction items, and be among the first to explore the 25th-anniversary Southside Shuffle merchandise while picking up an official festival program.

*"The official program includes a comprehensive list of all the performers throughout the weekend, including those at our free areas such as the Rabba Fine Foods Street Shuffle, the Pattison Outdoor Stage, Queen Bea Stage, and our ticketed Brightwater Mainstage, as well as club performances,"* explained festival chair Kris Kane. *"It provides maps, band bios and photos, and expresses our gratitude to our sponsors and grantors. It's a beautiful keepsake for our fans each year, designed by Migomedia."*

Tickets for the event are priced as follows: \$50 for singles, \$400 for a table of 8, \$500 for a table of 10, and \$50 per person for a high-top table of 4. Tickets can be purchased online at [southsideshuffle.ca](https://southsideshuffle.ca) or in person (cash only) at Impressionable Gifts located at 74 Lakeshore Rd East in Port Credit, Mississauga.

The event will take place on the upper floor of the Port Credit Legion, located at 35 Front St. North, Port Credit, Mississauga, ON. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m., with the entertainment commencing at 8:30 p.m.

Parking is free of charge at the Port Credit Legion.

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