



Destination Stratford launches MONDAY NIGHTS UNDER THE LIGHTS on Tom Patterson Island every Monday in September showcasing a limited concert series

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(Stratford, ON) To complement the Al Fresco dining experience and Lights on Stratford Summer Pop-Ups on Tom Patterson Island, Destination Stratford is pleased to introduce a limited series of free concerts every Monday this month showcasing the incredible talent of Stratford Festival performers in an intimate and beautiful setting.

Monday Nights Under the Lights will put on display Stratford's diverse cultural DNA, bringing a performance stage to Tom Patterson Island, and an opportunity for the community to experience another one-of-a-kind arts and cultural event.

The new initiative was launched as a combined effort and collaboration with Destination Stratford, Al Fresco, RTO4 and Lights on Stratford. As a result of the increased visitation on Mondays, which has traditionally been a slower day pre-pandemic, the team at Destination Stratford felt adding additional artistic programming would augment the other various cultural and dining experiences currently available in Stratford.

"We are so thrilled to bring another unique cultural offering to Stratford" says Zac Gribble, Executive Director of Destination Stratford. "Providing these events on a historically quiet day helps to aid in the economic recovery of the city as well as encourage both locals and visitors to dine Al Fresco and enjoy the Lights on Stratford Summer Pop-Ups."

In addition to the Al Fresco outdoor dining infrastructure installed last year, Destination Stratford partnered with City Services Parks and Forestry this summer to permanently fix drainage issues on Tom Patterson Island and add a new Porous Pave performance pad for community and cultural events.

Monday Nights Under the Lights is a free event open to the public, and will begin at 6pm each Monday, featuring live music and entertainment. It's the perfect opportunity to order take-out from your favourite local restaurants, dine Al Fresco and enjoy

exceptional vocal performances under the lights. The Monday evening concert series will feature beloved Stratford Festival performers including Robert Markus, Erica Peck, Evangelia Kambites and Scott Beaudin.

More information and full schedule details are available online at:

visitstratford.ca/monday-nights-under-the-lights

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