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### **Top comedian Russell Peters to perform at Laurier Homecoming**

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WATERLOO – One of Canada’s top entertainers, comedian Russell Peters, will perform at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium September 20 at 7:30 p.m. as part of Laurier’s Homecoming 2008 celebrations.

“We are thrilled to have Russell Peters joining our 80th annual homecoming celebrations in September,” said Brian Breckles, director of Alumni Relations. “Having Peters join our weekend of events takes the celebration to a whole new level. We hope that our alumni, students and the greater community can join us for what will be a spectacular show.”

Peters, a Brampton native who lives in Los Angeles, has been nominated for four Gemini Awards and hosted this year’s Juno Awards. His 2006 comedy album, *Outsourced*, has gone multi-platinum in Canada, and he recently sold-out Madison Square Garden, Los Angeles' new Nokia Theatre and The Sydney Opera House.

“I didn’t get a chance to bring my own Homecoming Tour to Waterloo, so now Homecoming is bringing me,” said Peters. “What most people probably don’t know is that just after I was born, my parents moved to Waterloo for a while – so it’s Homecoming for me as well.”

The show features two guest DJs, a special guest opener, and is Peters' only date in Southern Ontario this year. Tickets for the public go on sale July 9 for \$67.00 (applicable surcharges included), and can be purchased at [www.ticketmaster.ca](http://www.ticketmaster.ca).

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Visit [www.russellpeters.com](http://www.russellpeters.com) for more details.

Laurier's 2008 Homecoming takes place Friday September 19 to Sunday September 21. Other special events include the Alumni Golf Classic on Friday, a free pancake breakfast on Saturday morning followed by a Golden Hawks football game against the Windsor Lancers, and the inaugural Laurier Loop race on Sunday. Visit [www.laurieralumni.ca/homecoming](http://www.laurieralumni.ca/homecoming) for more details.