

Juno award winner set to perform

Country rock artist to make stop at Mohawk Inn on summer tour

Canadian country rock artist Clayton Bellamy will make a stop in Campbellville Saturday as part of his summer tour, which kicked off at the Calgary Stampede earlier this month. The Juno award winner, who grew up in Alberta, will perform at the Overland Adventure Rally at the Mohawk Inn at 9 p.m. Last month, Bellamy released his fourth solo album, *Five Crow Silver*, featuring his current single, 'Goodbye America.' The album delves into his rock roots and features an all-star lineup of guest artists that include Garth Hudson (The Band), Bobby Keys (The Rolling Stones), Ian McLagan (The Faces), Gordie Johnson (Big Sugar), Tom Wilson (Blackie and the Rodeo King's) and Audley Freed (The Black Crowes).

Staying true to his style, the album also features his unabashed autobiographical look at life, love and music and his never-ending



Canadian country rock artist Clayton Bellamy will perform at the Overland Adventure Rally Saturday at the Mohawk Inn. He hits the stage at 9 p.m. Photo by Ray Kennedy

quest for redemption and fulfillment. Bellamy has earned two Juno awards for Best Country Recording in 2006 and 2010,

has received four Country Music Awards and received the SOCAN Songwriter of the Year award in 2008 for his work with the plati-

num-selling The Road Hammers. For more information, visit claytonbellamy-band.com.

Author/police officer to visit local bookstore to talk about debut novel

Like many authors in today's day and age, Michael Walton wears multiple hats.

He's a police officer, a husband, a father and during his spare time, he puts pen to paper. Walton — who was born in Hamilton, but now lives in Barrie — will visit Indigo on Steeles Avenue Friday, July 19 from 5 to 9 p.m. to speak about how he juggles it all.

He'll also sign copies of his debut novel, *Apok*, as well as speak about his life experience as a

police officer and what led him to write.

The novel, which weaves together multiple fiction genres, tells the story of a police veteran who made a split decision that affected the country dramatically and ruined his life in the process.

The story unravels as a news reporter is tasked with interviewing the "killer cop" behind bars and finds herself caught up in a world of extremists and underground organizations.

Walton, who always wanted to write a book but could never find the time, finally tackled the suspense and action-packed novel after facing the possibility that he would never wear a badge again following a near-death accident. Stuck between bed rest, physiotherapy and medical appointments, he finally had the opportunity to spill the ideas he'd been holding in for so long.

For more information, visit www.apok.ca.



Michael Walton will be at Indigo on Friday, July 19 from 5 to 9 p.m. Photo by Four Bees Photography



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