

Entertainment

Phil Nimmons Quartet at St. Andrew's church jazz series

The St. Andrew's United Church Jazz Series continues with the Phil Nimmons Quartet on Saturday, Jan. 30. The quartet features Nimmons on clarinet, Gary Williamson on

piano, Steve Wallace on bass and Barry Elmes on drums. Nimmons was the winner of the first ever Juno Award for jazz, taking the honor in 1976. A Thornhill resident, he has 10

albums to his credit including Nimmons 'N Nine in 1963 and The Atlantic Suite in 1976. He and his bands have also toured extensively through North America and Europe over the last 40 years.

A skilled composer and performer, Nimmons has also orchestrated many works including Oscar Peterson's theme for the Ontario Place film Big North Ontario.

Gary Williamson, who plays piano for the quartet, also has an impressive background. He's per-

formed on Bourbon Street with notables such as Junior Cook, Thad Jones and Dexter Gordon. He is on the jazz faculty at the University of Toronto, and teaches with the Etobicoke Board of Education.

Tickets for the Jan. 30 show are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and are available at St. Andrew's, 32 Main St. N., Markham; Brooks Music Studio, 3 Centre St., Markham; Village Music, 87 Main St., Markham; and the Jazz and Blues Centre, 66 Dundas St. E., Toronto.

Upcoming concert in the series include the Donna Barber Trio on Feb. 27; and the Bonnie Brett Quartet on March 27. All shows start at 8 p.m.

For more information, call St. Andrew's at 294-0351.

Dave Broadfoot's Comedy Crusade visits Markham

Dave Broadfoot's Comedy Crusade plans to invade Markham.

The man who opened Markham Theatre in 1985 is returning to the stage for several evenings of non-stop laughter as his Comedy Crusade hits the town with six performances Jan. 26-30.



DAVE BROADFOOT

Hailed as a national treasure, Broadfoot has been one of Canada's favourite entertainers for 40 years.

His Comedy Crusade is a two-act two-hour one-man show that explores just about everything that is happening in the world... weird news and sports events, male-female statistics, Canada-U.S. relations, Canada-Mulroney relations, overloaded courts, naked mounties, bizarre audience questions, and more.

From his 15 memorable years with the acclaimed Royal Canadian Air Farce, to countless appearances in theatre, radio and T.V., to hundreds of speaking engagements each year, Broadfoot has become a comedy legend. He has won a Juno Award for comedy recording, 13 ACTRA Awards for writing and performing comedy, and he is the recipient of the Order of Canada and the Queen Elizabeth Silver Jubilee Medal.

His best known characters include Sergeant Renfrew who lives in a lonely log cabin on the 14th floor of Mountie Headquarters, and hockey star Big Bobby Clobber who has a hard time remembering the question he was just asked.

Broadfoot has been performing his Comedy Crusade to full houses across Canada for four years. His quest in Markham? "To lead the audiences out of the darkness of recessionary times, and on to a brighter and happier tomorrow!"

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