

COMING UP: Nineteen on Park year ends on high note

# Theatre season ending with big bang

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The Lebovic Centre for Arts and Entertainment - Nineteen on the Park's inaugural Professional Series season will end on high note.

Sharron's Big Broadway Show takes over the performing arts centre for two nights April 8 and 9.

## STAGE AND SCREEN VETERAN

Sharron Matthews, a veteran of big budget musicals such as Showboat, Les Misérables and Beauty and the Beast, along with blockbuster movies *Mean Girls*, *Hairspray* and *Cinderella Man*, takes to the stage all by herself to share her off-beat look at her journey from small town Ontarian to Broadway big shot.

"I just thought it would be a great opportunity for people to see her in an intimate atmosphere," said Steven Foster, cultural facility and programming co-ordinator for the Lebovic Centre for Arts and Entertainment - Nineteen on the Park.

The very last performer to take the stage during this Professional Series season will be Patricia O'Callaghan. She performs April 23.

## BUILDING MOMENTUM

Ms O'Callaghan, a cabaret performer, is one of the best in Canada, Mr. Foster said.

Since October, the performing arts centre has welcomed renowned Canadian singers and songwriters, a percussion quartet, a Dora award nominated play and Mr. Dress Up's sidekick.

"Momentum has built over the entire season," Mr. Foster said. "I hope it's pointing towards the ability of bringing in new things and taking chances."

## NEXT YEAR IN THE WORKS

Plans are already under way for next year's Professional Series, which will include a Joni Mitchell tribute, the female folk duo Madison Violet as well as dance troupes Motus O and Soulful Messiah during the Christmas holiday season.

"We're actually drawing in from other communities and whenever that's possible, that's a great thing," Mr. Foster said.

Performing this Sunday is classical music's the Aldeburgh Connection. The show starts at 2 p.m. and tickets are \$13 with promo code ACDS10.

► Tickets for Sharron's Big Broadway Show and Patricia O'Callaghan are \$35 regular, \$30 subscriber and \$18 student and available from the box office - 19 Civic Ave., 905-640-2322 and [www.townofws.com/Nineteen.asp](http://www.townofws.com/Nineteen.asp)



Patricia O'Callaghan (above) and Sharron Matthews will bring down the curtain on Nineteen on Park's inaugural season with their respective brands of entertainment. Ms O'Callaghan is a cabaret-style performer who performs April 23. Ms Matthews is a stage and screen actor who has appeared on the stage in plays such as *Les Misérables* and films such as *Cinderella Man*. She plays the theatre April 8 and 9.

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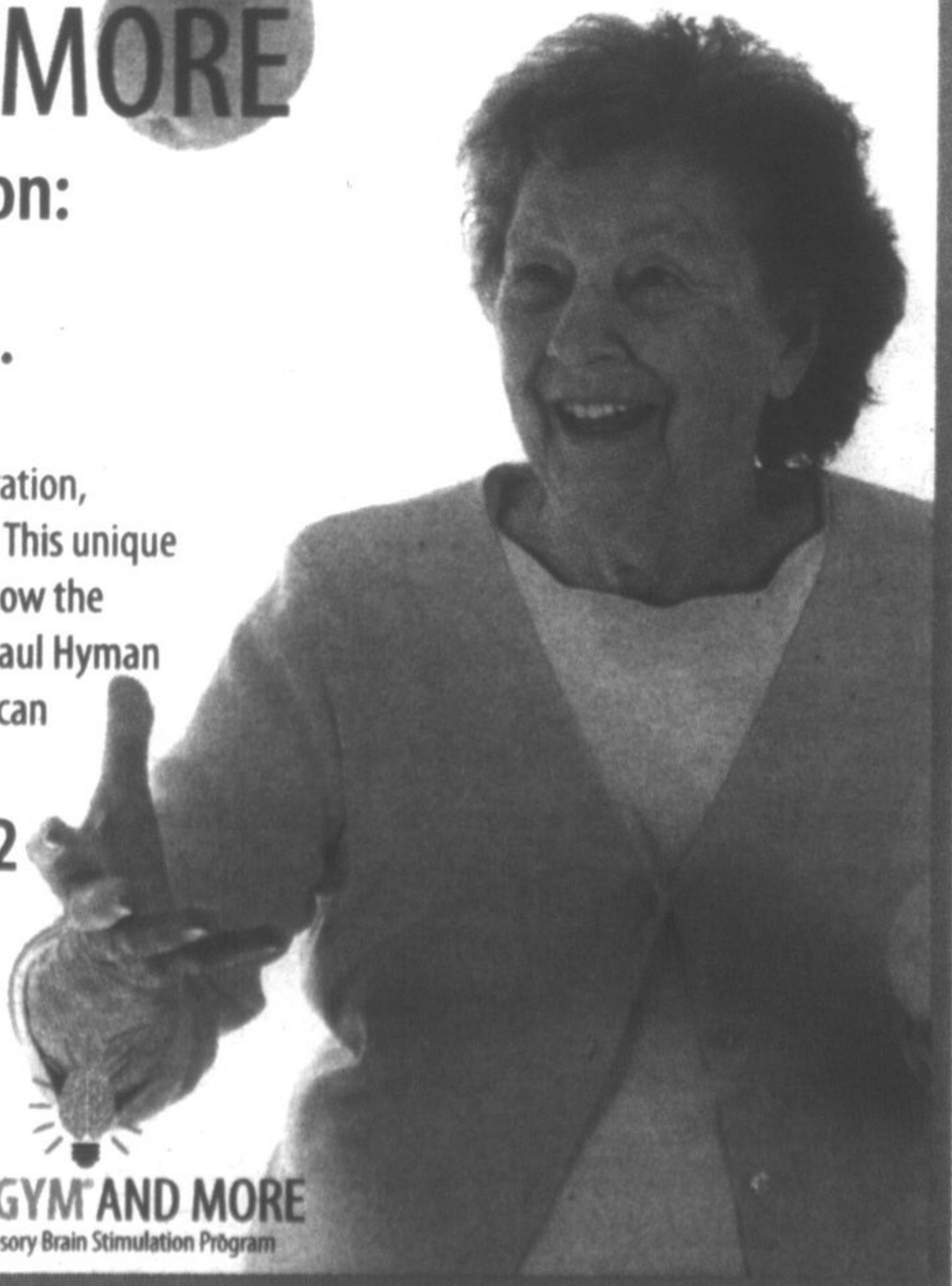
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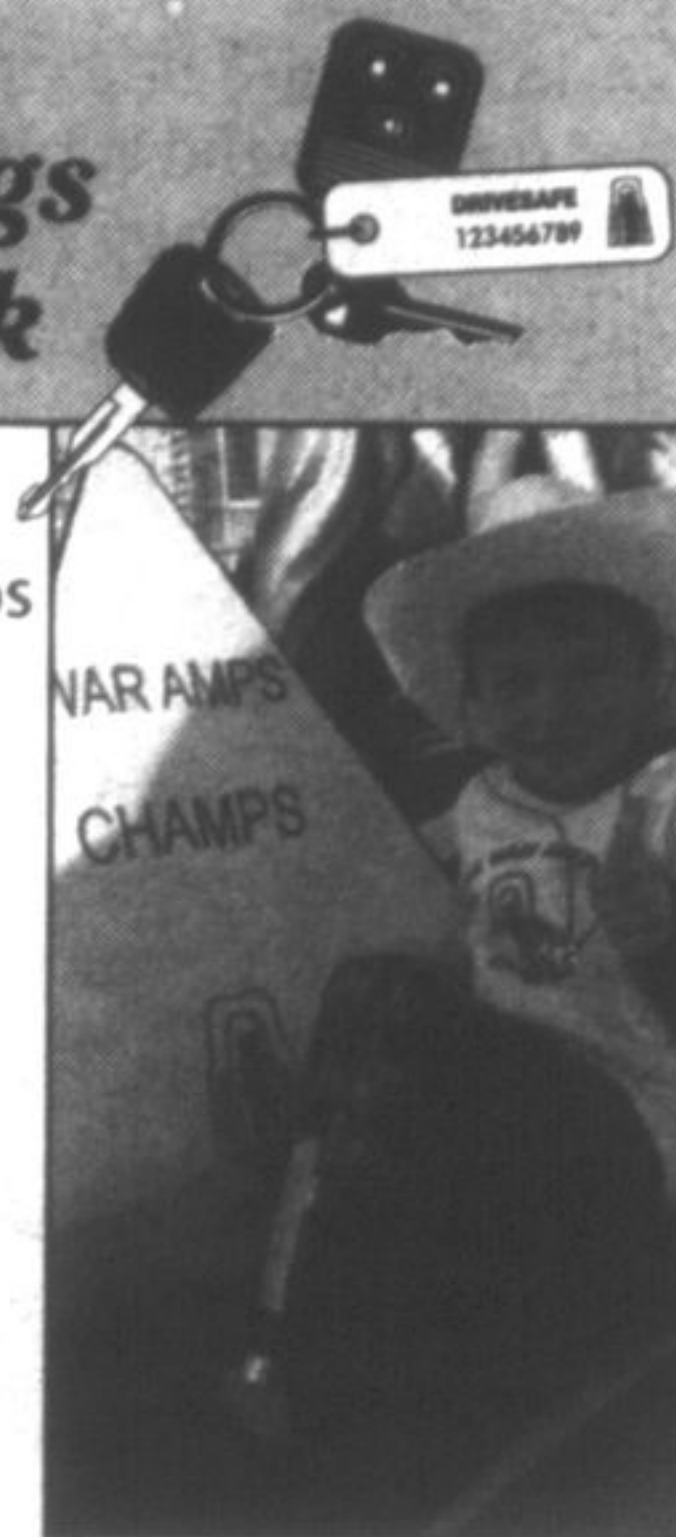
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