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May 23 – Aug. 29: **Heritage Park River Forth Dining:** This two-hour dining experience served in the dining car includes a glass of wine, appetizer, choice of gourmet main course, dessert and coffee or tea served while travelling through Heritage Park Historical Village. Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

June 3 – Sept. 4: **Heritage Park Tea on the Verandah:** Saturdays and Sundays. Enjoy a traditional afternoon tea every weekend on the verandah of the Famous 5 Centre of Canadian Women. Nibble on a selection of dainty treats and enjoy silver tea service. A lovely girl's afternoon out! Sittings are from 11am-3 pm and reservations are recommended. Call 403-268-8500 for tickets.

June 16 – Sept. 2: **Rosebud Theatre The Spitfire Grill:** A feisty parolee starts over again in a small town, and finds herself working at the Spitfire Grill, but news of her past makes her attempt at a second chance more difficult than expected. An uplifting folk musical about unlikely friendships, redemption, and a place to call home.

June 20 – Aug. 27: **Theatre Calgary As You Like It:** This summer, follow our brave heroine Rosalind, and her cousin Celia, as they escape the rigid rules of court life for the wilds and freedom of the Forest of Arden. Here, they fall in and out of love, encounter one of Shakespeare's greatest fools, and discover the value of true friendship.

June 23 – Aug. 27: **Jubilations Dinner Theatre Flashdance An 80's Flashback:** Alex is a young woman from a working class neighbourhood who is driven by her desire to become a professional dancer. This is a hilarious tale of mistaken identity filled with crazy night club characters, snooty dance school judges and lots of great music from the 80's! Please join us for Flashdance: An 80's Flashback!

June 29 – Sept. 2: **Rosebud Theatre An Almost Holy Picture:** The groundskeeper of a small church has had a life filled with divine encounters – mysteries he cannot reconcile. His daughter suffers from a peculiar condition that covers her whole body in a coat of fine golden hair. Join his quest for answers in an intimate church garden as he struggles to regain his faith and discover what is holy.

June 30 – Sept. 3: **Stage West Murder for Two:** The perfect blend of music, mayhem and murder! In this hilarious 90-minute show, two performers play 13 roles and a piano in a witty and winking homage to old-fashioned murder mysteries.

July 5 – Aug. 30: **Heritage Park Music in the Plaza:** Wednesdays. The Stampede Talent Search will partner with Heritage Park to provide a weekly opening act. Featured acts are selected from among Western Canada's finest up-and-coming artists. Bring a blanket, pack a picnic or dine on the patio of the Selkirk Grille while enjoying two hours of live music.

July 19 – Aug. 23: **Spruce Meadows Movies at the Meadows:** Wednesday nights. Watching movies on a large screen outdoors has become a popular summer activity - and what better place to do it than Spruce Meadows! Bring a chair, blanket and friends and enjoy a movie under the stars! Popcorn, movie treats and meals are available to purchase on the lower Plaza, so feel free to come early.

July 20 – Aug. 24: **Heritage Park Captain's Cruises:** Thursdays. Set sail on a scenic summer cruise on Calgary's only paddlewheel boat and enjoy the breathtaking views of the Glenmore Reservoir and

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majestic Rocky Mountains. Aboard the S.S. Movie Captain's Cruise you'll enjoy gourmet hors d'oeuvres with a selection of beer and wines while listening to a live jazz band.

Aug. 15 – 26: **[GlobalFest](#)** Experience the International Fireworks Festival with a symphony of pyrotechnics and music. Enjoy live performances, ethnic food and cultural pavilions at Elliston Park. For Canada's 150th birthday all teams competing are Canadian.

Aug. 17 – 19: **[Calgary Reggae Festival](#)** See an amazing lineup of performers for this Calgary family-friendly event at Shaw Millennium Park.

Aug. 17 – 19: **[University of Calgary Milky Way Nights](#)**: This time of year is ideal for stargazing and viewing distant galaxies, so head out to Priddis to admire the night sky. The University of Calgary's Rothney Astrophysical Observatory is open to the public from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. and astronomers are on hand to answer questions.

Aug. 19: **[Grey Eagle Resort & Casino](#)** Musical guest: **The Pointer Sisters** are an eclectic and versatile pop/R&B group who hail from Oakland, California. They began their music careers singing in their father's church. Bonnie and June formed a duo called Pointers, A Pair. Anita soon joined the group and the duo became a trio.

Aug. 19-20: **[Alberta Open Farm Days](#)**: Albertans get the opportunity to see where their food comes from. Meet the farmers, experience Agri-tourism and, perhaps best of all, taste local food straight from where it's produced.

Aug. 25: The **[Badlands Amphitheatre](#)** presents **John Michael Montgomery with Charlie Major** in concert at 7:30 p.m. Tickets now on sale.

Aug. 25 – Sept. 4: **[Calgary Pride](#)**: The 27th annual parade route changes for 2017. This family friendly parade sees upwards of 60,000 spectators as over 150 entries from community groups, corporations, politicians, churches, and public services celebrate the tremendous diversity of Calgary's community.

Aug. 26: The **[Badlands Amphitheatre](#)** presents **Randy Bachman with Hey Romeo** in concert at 7:30 p.m. Don't miss seeing this Canadian icon. Tickets now on sale.

Aug. 26 – 27: **[2017 Canadian BMX National Championship](#)**: In its second consecutive year hosted in Calgary, approximately 400 athletes will compete for the national title in BMX racing.

Aug. 26 – 27: **[Heritage Park](#)** Country Kickback: Whether you're a country-living expert, or a bona fide city kid who doesn't know a bull from a steer, experience 'How the West Was Once' out on the farm during Country Kickback at Heritage Park.

Aug. 29: **[Grey Eagle Resort & Casino](#)** musical guest **Huey Lewis & The News**: Formed from two rival Bay Area bands in 1979, they continue to thrill audiences worldwide, selling over 20 million albums in the process, earning them the right to mark their place on the pop history map.

Aug. 31: **[Heritage Park](#)** **Dining through History - A Progressive Dinner**: Heritage Park is pulling out all the stops for its Field to Fork dinner series. In this installment, guests are invited to ride along in a horse-drawn wagon as they enjoy a progressive dinner through Calgary's culinary history. The night

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begins at the Famous 5 Centre of Canadian Women and ends in the Selkirk Gallery Room. Enjoy succulent dishes and drink pairings throughout.

Aug. 30 – Sept.13: **[Shaw Charity Classic](#)** returns to Canyon Meadows Golf & Country Club. Get your tickets today.

Sept. 1 – Oct. 29: **[Jubilations Dinner Theatre Greased 2](#)**: Join us as we take a look in on our favourite hip cats and cool chicks as another school year begins at Rydell High. This show is a celebration of Rock and Roll music, sure to bring back fond memories for some and many smiles to all!

Sept. 5 – 30: **[Theatre Calgary Blow Wind High Water](#)**: The rivers have overflowed their banks, the water is rising in the city and three generations of Calgarians are trying to keep something meaningful for future generations. This play examines who Calgarians are in a dramatic yet humourous way.

Sept. 6 – 10: **[Spruce Meadows Masters CSIO](#)**: The best athletes from the world's top show jumping nations compete for prize money and international acclaim during the Spruce Meadows 'Masters'.

Sept. 7 – 10: **[Honens Festival](#)**: In honour of Canada 150, this year's festival features Canadian classical music stars and Honens Laureates in various performances around the city.

Sept. 8 – Nov. 12: **[Stage West I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change](#)**: A musical comedy that explores dating, romance, love and marriage through a series of vignettes. The show takes on the truths and myths behind romantic relationships.

Sept. 9: **[Circle the Wagons Festival](#)**: Calgary's travelling carnival of local music, art and food returns this September. BassBus, YYC Food Trucks and Village Brewery work together to pull off this celebration of local food and beer each year.

Sept. 9: **[Grey Eagle Resort & Casino](#)** Comedian George Lopez.

Sept.9 – 10: **[Heritage Park Harvest Sale](#)**: Stock up on healthy food at rock-bottom prices, learn the benefits of eating fresh fruit and vegetables and support the local community at the same time! Funds raised at this event will support local charities.

Sept. 9 – Oct. 9: **[Calaway Park Halloweekends](#)**: Join Billy, Roxy and the Boo Crew at Calaway Park this fall. Take a stroll down Hallo-Street... if you dare! It is a spooktacular good time for the whole family.

Sept. 12 – 30: **[Alberta Theatre Projects The Last Wife](#)**: A contemporary re-telling of King Henry VIII and Katherine Parr's relationship. The play positions Kate Parr as a confident young woman and a rising star in the political world. But she must marry Henry which means taking risks in her other relationship with Thom and with her career.

Sept. 13 – 17: **[Beakerhead](#)** is an annual program that brings together the arts, sciences, and engineering sectors to build, engage, compete, and exhibit interactive works of art, engineered creativity and entertainment.

Sept.14: **[Heritage Park Garden Tour & Dinner](#)**: In this installment of Heritage Park's Field to Fork dinner series, receive an exclusive tour of the park's gardens. After learning how the gardens operate,

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enjoy the fruits of them in a four-course meal at the Selkirk Grille. You'll leave with a little more knowledge of horticulture and a full stomach.

Sept. 14: **TELUS Spark Adults Only Night – Hack It**: Humans have been hacking the world around us since we started making bones into tools. Hacking is the art of making something the way you want it, instead of the way it is. You may have already tried hacking electronics or toys, but what about hacking your life or your mood?

Sept.15: **Fort Calgary CLUE: Murder is NOT a Game!** In the billiards room with the candlestick? In the dining room with the revolver? You are called to Fort Calgary Mansion as a potential witness to the murder of Mr. Boddy. Join Colonel Dijon, Ms. Starlet, Ms. Partridge and Dr. Peach for a full investigation.

Sept.16: **Heritage Park September Shindig Fundraiser**: The Heritage Park Foundation's annual fundraiser is a Wild West-themed event complete with a rodeo, a live gunfight on Main Street, a gourmet dinner and a live auction.

Sept.16: **Big Rock Brewery Barn Burner concert**: The Big Rock homestead will be transformed with great music, great beer and most importantly, you and your friends. There's going to be more than enough heat to get this one ignited, so come out to a barn burner to remember.

Sept. 16: **Grey Eagle Resort & Casino** musical guest Rise Against, with guests **Pierce the Veil** and **White Lung**.

Sept. 16: **Deerfoot Inn & Casino** musical guest **Pam Tillis** and **Lorrie Morgan**.

Sept. 16-17: **Calaway Park Boo Crew Costume Party**: Billy, Roxy and the Boo Crew invite you and your family to the Boo Crew Costume Party. Come dressed to impress in a family-friendly costume. Activities and prizes all day long.

Sept. 16 – October 15: **Vertigo Theatre Nine Dragons**: When an upper-class European girl is found murdered on the seedy side of Kowloon, ambitious Chinese police detective, Tommy Lam, is on the case. But faced with corruption and the prejudice of his superiors, how far will Tommy go in the pursuit of justice?

Sept.17: **Theatre Junction GRAND** musical guest **The Sadies**.

Sept. 18 – Oct. 7: **Lunchbox Theatre Book Club II - The Next Chapter**: When Lisa realizes that her marriage has become dull and routine, she turns to her girlfriends in Book Club for help. They decide they all need a weekend getaway, but things get a little strange — there are conversations about forming a Mommy Commune and Lisa meets a former lover. This is a play about what marriage, friendship and sisterhood really mean.

Sept. 19: **Theatre Junction GRAND** presents **Dave Kelly Live**: Kick off the 2017 Calgary International Film Festival with conversations about film with the filmmakers and artists that help create cinematic magic in Alberta.

Sept. 20 – Oct. 1: **Calgary International Film Festival**: Over 12 days, up to 200 films in a variety of different genres from more than 40 countries are screened. As well as film screenings, the festival

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includes gala events, special presentations and a "Behind the Screen" series intended to encourage film fans and filmmakers to interact.

Sept. 20: **Avenue Dinner Series #4 Blink**: The Avenue Dinner Series celebrates Calgary's culinary scene. The fourth dinner of the series is at Blink, a restaurant that offers a fine dining experience and a menu centered around local ingredients, all in a downtown setting.

Sept. 21: **Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra La La Land In Concert**: Watch the Academy Award-winning movie *La La Land* — a film about two aspiring artists who fall in love while trying to make it big in Los Angeles — as the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra performs the score live.

Sept. 21 – 23: **Alberta Ballet Tango Fire**: Tango Fire is an incredible display of playful and skilled choreography executed at breakneck speed, with impeccably precise, intricate footwork. Seductive and sultry, Tango Fire evokes the intoxicating passion of late night Buenos Aires and presents a raw, sophisticated performance that is not to be missed!

Sept. 21 – 24: **Calgary Fall Home Show**: More than 350 brands and local companies, including some of the biggest names in the home renovation industry will convene in the BMO Centre. HGTV Canada's Bryan Baeumler and Tiffany Pratt, along with local Calgary home experts, will answer questions and provide expert opinions.

Sept. 22: **Grey Eagle Resort & Casino** musical guest **Boney M.** featuring **Liz Mitchell**.

Sept. 22 – 23: **Calgary Oktoberfest**: For the first time, Calgary Oktoberfest will be offering full pints as well as eight ounce samples. The festival shines a light on local, national and international breweries and features bands, dancers, games, hourly cask tappings and food.

Sept. 22 – Oct. 28: **Rosebud Theatre The Christians**: Is there really a hell? This is not a question that Pastor Paul's congregation has ever considered, but it's one that shakes the foundation of his church, friendships and family during the mortgage-burning celebration for their new church. An epic, intimate, and unflinching look at faith and its power to unite or divide.

Sept. 23 – 24: **Heritage Park Railway Days**: As one of the few sites in North America with two steam locomotives, our trains take centre stage for two days with demonstrations, hands-on activities, and exciting exhibits for the whole family.

Sept. 22: **Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra A Taste of the Calgary Philharmonic**: You'll hear musical samplings from the CPO's concert series that will be performed during the season. From the Classics to the Pops and Specials, it might be the only time you'll hear Stavinsky's *Firebird* suite in the same night as Jimi Hendrix's *Purple Haze*.

Sept. 23: **Doors Open YYC**: For just one day each September, Calgarians are invited to get a behind-the-scenes look at facilities, institutions and businesses around Calgary. More than 40 sites will be opening their doors and inviting Calgarians to learn about how they operate. In past years, participating sites included the Olympic Oval, the Calgary Stampede and the St. Louis Hotel.

Sept. 23: **Calgary Farmers Market Canning & Preserving Classes - Time to Salsa**: Poppy Innovations offers canning and preserving classes, which aim to encourage people to make healthier

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foods using seasonal ingredients. This class is particularly focused on preserving salsa and teaching the fundamentals of canning. Participants are allowed to take home their work at the end. The cost of the course includes all food and supplies.

Sept. 26 – Oct.1: **Broadway Across Canada** **The Sound of Music:** Broadway Across Canada's musical is based on the true story of Maria, who leaves her convent in Austria to become a nanny for Captain von Trapp's seven children in the years preceding the First World War. See how she helps the family become a recognized concert group and hear the musical's award-winning songs, like "Do Re Mi" and "My Favourite Things."

Sept. 26 – Oct. 7: **Theatre Calgary** **Touch Me – Songs for a (Dis)Connected Age:** Theatre Calgary works with Forte Musical Theatre to present a modern musical production. The show plays on how modern society is always connected, and by the end, you'll probably be thinking deeply about the connections in your life. *Touch Me: Songs For a (Dis)Connected Age* shows the private, technological sins we commit.

Sept.28: **Arts Common** **Timeraiser 150:** Instead of bidding dollars for a piece of art, you bid volunteer hours. You have one year to complete your hours at whatever nonprofit(s) you choose, and only then can claim your art. The slogan "bid time, do good, get art" sums it all up.

Sept. 28: **Grey Eagle Resort & Casino** musical guest **Steve Earle & The Dukes.**