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## LEARN TO RAWK WITH SPEED CONTROL!

What's the best way to introduce kids to a love of music? Yukon-based rock band **Speed Control** has the answer - with a ton of fun, energy, and most importantly of all RAWK!

An innovative and exciting new form of helping kids explore their creative and musical sides, **Speed Control's RAWK Camp** will add a high-octane and fun-filled week of musical adventure to The Centre's summer arts programming. Running from August 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the **Rawk Camps** brings young musicians of all ages, abilities, and experience levels into the world of playing rock! "The best part about the **Rawk Camp**", says Graeme Peters, **Speed Control's** guitarist and vocalist, "is that it's so fun and awesome because whether the kids have experience or not, they're going to be playing music by the end of the first day. We encourage being loud and we

encourage getting a little crazy, and as well as how to play music the kids get to learn the classic rock moves - the super guitar slides on your knees and everything! It's just a really great way to bring everyone together."

Coming together around a shared love of music is what these camps are all about, and with the super-fun format of group classes, students will not only start their path to stardom, but develop skills in confidence and team-working, as Graeme reveals.

"Seeing kids playing music together is one of the biggest motivators for teaching the **Rawk Camps**" he goes on, "because it brings them closer together. Usually kids learn music through private lessons, where they're playing on their own with an instructor, when the real goal of learning music is to play together and become a community. You know, **Speed Control** is a big team in this - we're not a sports team but we're a music team, and that's way cooler! Getting that vibe going during the **Rawk Camps** is an awesome feeling."

This musical adventure will begin with free meet and greet with **Speed Control** for students and their parents on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015 in the Rotary Hall Studio Theatre. Kids will get to hang out and chat with the band before the rocking fun begins! From Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday August 28<sup>th</sup>, **Speed Control** will offer lessons catered for everybody from absolute beginner rockers to even coaching sessions for existing bands! **RAWK Starts Here** will begin with the goal of grabbing onto a love of performing with other musicians and basic musical techniques, while **RAWK On Stage** follows the same principle but tackles more advanced techniques for students with a couple of years music experience. If you want a one-on-one dynamic to help unleash your inner rocker then that is available too, with **Speed Control's** members' offering **Solo Classes** on guitar, bass, and drums! Finally, if you're already in a band and want to pick up some pointers on performing and arranging your songs, then **Speed Control's RAWK Smarter, Rawk Harder** coaching sessions will give you the skills to move from rehearsal room and to the road! The entire week will conclude with **Chilliwack RAWKS**, an explosive final showcase headlined by **Speed Control** in which participants will get to perform on stage! There really isn't a more thrilling and dynamic way to dive into music!

“For me **RAWK Camp** is just the best week ever - that’s exactly what I would call it!” summarizes Graeme. “It’s challenging but it’s so much fun too. There are always kids that have never played an instrument, and the ones that put up walls to make sure they don’t make a fool of themselves... but then they see us making fools of ourselves and really relax and get into it. It’s great!”

So to begin a journey to rock and roll superstardom, to build confidence in a fun and relaxed environment, or to just have a great time banging the drums and strumming the guitar, book a place on The Centre’s **RAWK Camps** today! Check out The Centre website at [chilliwackculturalcentre.com](http://chilliwackculturalcentre.com) or pick up a class brochure for schedules and details. Finally, contact The Centre Box Office on 604-392-SHOW(7469) to get the kids registered for a week of energy and exhilaration with Speed Control in the **RAWK Camp!**

Places are available on a first come-first served basis.

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More information:

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### **Chilliwack Cultural Centre**

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and

is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the Chilliwack Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, more than 220,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding three million dollars. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City, and boasts The Chilliwack Academy of Music, The Chilliwack Visual Artists Association, The Chilliwack Players Guild, The Chilliwack Symphony Orchestra, and the Chilliwack School of Performing Arts as partners.

*Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:*

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts and crafts studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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