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## The Magic Goes On - Wonder and Delight this January!

CHILLIWACK, BC— The thrilling ambience and irresistible entertainment of live magic will return to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre this winter with *Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders Three*. On **January 22, 2016**, audiences will be in awe when the third performance in this groundbreaking magical series fills the Rotary Hall Studio Theatre with laughs, gasps, and an unforgettable sense of wonder in what will be the biggest and most eclectic show in this series yet. Join the two-time world champion of magic **Shawn Farquhar** and his fantastic array of special guests, and get your 2016 off to an utterly spellbinding start!

Hot on the heels of two sold-out events in the fall, *Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders Three* will be the next step in this thrilling magical adventure. With its intimate cabaret setting - in which the audience is invited to kick back with a drink

and enjoy the talents of professional magicians up close and personal - its eclectic mixture of talents and styles of performance, and the world-class **Shawn Farquhar** leading the fun, the *Cabaret of Wonders* is a spectacular celebration of magical entertainment, pioneering the way audiences enjoy this extraordinary art form!

The diversity of the series will once again be on display with the first of 2016's events, and where *Cabaret of Wonders Two* featured a couple of international entertainers, bringing up Master Payne and Michael Dardant from south of the border, *Cabaret of Wonders Three* is all about BC. Adding their names to the line-up of those that have performed in the Cabaret will be **Brianna Carlson**, a young artist that has spent the last few years earning her magical stripes in North Vancouver; Burnaby's **Bryn Williams**; and Chilliwack's very own **Damien Carriere** - who made the impossible possible with his daredevil escape artistry at the Chilliwack Chiefs 2015 home opener. A local talent who has both attended and performed at a range of magical events at The Centre, Damien is thrilled to be involved with such an exciting vision - and to see Chilliwack become the home of live magic in the province! "I think magic is unique in that it appeals to a larger demographic than many art forms - everybody seems to love magic. You can have someone young and someone old mesmerized and captivated by the same performance much more easily than you can by a particular music genre for example. As a supporter and a fan of magic I always encourage magic enthusiasts to come out and support the talent that is brought to The Centre - in fact I usually encourage everybody I can because even if they're new to magic, they're guaranteed to enjoy the show! And it's especially exciting *that Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders* is happening in Chilliwack - I'd love to see The Centre become known as THE place in British Columbia to go for exceptional live entertainment."

Alongside these Cabaret first-timers will be **Billy Hsueh** of Surrey, and Port Coquitlam's **Alex Seaman** - two entertainers that had so much fun at the *Cabaret of Wonders'* opening night that they just had to return to Chilliwack! And of course with a special appearance from **Shawn Farquhar** - who will be hosting the show all the way from Berlin via video feed, the third edition of the *Cabaret of Wonders* will prove to

be a dynamic showcase revealing the magical talent residing in our very own backyards.

There's nothing quite like the spectacle of a mystifying illusion unfolding before your eyes, or the captivating presence of a mesmerizing magical artist - so to soak up this astounding atmosphere, do not miss out when *Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders Three* comes The Centre on **January 22, 2016!**

Tickets are \$20 and are available at The Centre Box Office, visit [www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca](http://www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca) or call 604-391-SHOW(7469) for more information.

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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, over 270,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding 3,640,00. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

*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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