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Description: From the world-renowned creative team behind the Mom's the Word series comes a new chapter in their stories of family and fracas called Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty.

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## ***A New Generation of Laughs.***

CHILLIWACK, BC – Hysterical, outrageous, and deeply touching, ***Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty*** is the newest chapter in the world-renowned Mom's the Word series. Their kids are now grown, their marriages have evolved, devolved or dissolved, and their bodies are backfiring, and these five women are happy to mine their personal history for every embarrassing detail. Their fearlessness and vulnerability earns them empathy, with enough outrageous moments between the heartfelt ones to create a tremendously refreshing experience that you do not want to miss on **October 30** at The Chilliwack Cultural Centre.

Making up the fantastically talented women on stage are Robin Nichol who focuses on her aging father, and Deborah Williams who shares her marriage counseling and the story of a frozen dead dog awaiting her kids return for a proper funeral. Alison Kelly

talks of a child who is unmotivated to move out, and Barbara Pollard tells stories from the perspective of a divorcee and grandma. The bravest of them all is Jill Daum's stories of a husband struggling with early-onset Alzheimer's. United, their stories are filled with insights, secrets, and ribald humour.

First conceived in 1993, *Mom's the Word* debuted on the Arts Club stage in 1995. It was an instant hit and headed overseas. The Collective followed up with its sequel ten years later, with *Mom's the Word 2: Unhinged* and in 2009 a remixed version of those two plays was mounted. Now it's twenty-nine years later, with productions in nineteen different countries, and the newest chapter in the series is just as brilliant.

Celebrating the incredible success of the *Mom's the Word* series, Artistic Managing Director Bill Millerd says, "The *Mom's the Word* Collective started their careers as actors but have developed as writers with interest beyond performing. They have an intense curiosity about the world in which they live - their children, their partners, their neighbours, and the world outside the stage. They have blazed a trail for others and have also developed as writers individually." These incredible women want to connect and inspire, and it comes across in every story that they share.

Don't worry though, because mothers aren't the only ones who will find this show funny and inspiring. Gather your friends, mothers, sisters, and even the men in your life, and join the *Mom's the Word* collective as they show you that being a mom is filled with a whole lot more than raising your kids perfectly.

***Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty*** is coming to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **October 30 at 7:30 pm**. Tickets are \$45 for adults, \$42 for seniors, \$40 for youths, and \$29 for value seats and can be purchased at the Centre Box Office, online at [www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca](http://www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca), or by calling 604-391-SHOW(7469).

***Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty*** is sponsored by: *The Chilliwack Progress, the BC Touring Council, the British Columbia Arts Council, the Province of British Columbia, and the Department of Canadian Heritage.*

***Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty's*** tour production sponsor: *Sandman Hotel Group.*

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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 O’Connor Group Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 315,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,900,000. 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, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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