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Description: Join an extraordinary gathering of magicians as world-champion magician Shawn Farquhar hosts this very popular Cabaret of Wonders!

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Puzzling and Mystifying, It's *Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders XV!*

CHILLIWACK, BC – Full of remarkable illusions and sensational acts of sleight of hand, *Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders* is back for its fifteenth instalment, and it's set to be an unparalleled display of magic! On **April 19**, *Shawn Farquhar* will once again be perplexing audiences in the intimate cabaret-style setting of the Chilliwack Cultural Centre's Rotary Hall, and you're invited to witness the irresistible entertainment of live magic!

Shawn Farquhar won't be the only one demonstrating his unbelievable skills, as *The Cabaret of Wonders* will also be welcoming the charming *Ice McDonald*, and the delightful *Zanthera* duo, *Heather* and *Sandra*, to share the stage.

“I never dreamed that we’d go from twenty-five people to filling the Rotary Hall every time. I can see the people in the back of the room, I can talk to them, and we even take a break in the middle to get to know them. Even now, patrons come back, because not one show has been the same. Each time it’s different, and we always bring new material and new performers.” Shawn explains, passionate about how far the Cabaret of Wonders has come since its initial inception. “I travel a lot, I’m a professional entertainer and never get to work in my home area. I just never get to do shows here. I do the stuff I’m known for and never really get to experiment. This is the place to showcase new things.”

Zanthera began as a program badge in Brownies, but sisters *Heather* and *Sandra* expanded their original three-minute program and quickly turned it into something far more elaborate. Both Heather and Sandra are international award winning magicians, and their act is a stunning show of them working together to combine magic, comedy, music, and a hint of cheeky sister rivalry. They are members of the *International Brotherhood of Magicians*, and have most recently competed in the *Pacific Coast Association of Magicians* and *Canadian Association of Magicians Combined Convention* in Chilliwack, where they won gold for both Associations.

Also joining them is Californian *Kenrick “Ice” McDonald*, a true history maker within the community of magicians. With over thirty-eight years of experience, Ice has broken records, sold out arenas and became the first African-American National President of *The Society of American Magicians*. McDonald has more than earned his name as Ice, which stands for illusions, captivation and enchantment and has a reputation as a world class magician with grand illusions, that he built and developed himself.

The intimate cabaret setting gives you a unique opportunity to see these talented magicians work up close. Whether you’re looking for a fun evening out, or want to discover the thrills of live magic, *Shawn Farquhar’s Cabaret of Wonders* is the place to be. Tickets are sure to go quickly, so get yours before they’re gone!

Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders XV is coming to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **April 19** at **7:30 pm**. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the Centre Box Office, online at www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca, or by calling 604-391-SHOW(7469).

Shawn Farquhar's Cabaret of Wonders XV platinum sponsor is: *Mertin Auto Group*. Other sponsors include: *The Chilliwack Progress, the BC Touring Council, the British Columbia Arts Council, the City of Chilliwack, the Province of British Columbia, and the Department of Canadian Heritage.*

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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 360,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value close to \$6,000,000. 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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