come and be a part of." Having been involved in Theatres for more than a decade, Ferguson knows that a centre like the Marigold plays a big part in people's memories, "Everyone has a story, whether the staff, a performer, a child who got to perform on our stage, the look on a young girl's face all dressed up coming with her grandmother to see a performance for the very first time. These (events) are an integral part of people's lives they will never forget." We want to continue to provide these memories and to provide Truro and surrounding area with a venue for local, national and international talent.

Rock Around the World starts on Monday, December 14th, 2009 and the winner will be drawn on February 18th, 2010 when the Spinney Brothers appear at the Marigold.

Tickets are selling at \$100.00 with only 600 tickets being sold. Tickets can be purchased at the Marigold Box Office or from any member of the Cobequid Arts Council as well as all four MacQuarries Pharmasave locations.

Truro's Cantabile Singers are assisting CAC in selling Rock Around the World tickets so tickets can be purchased from any member of the well-known choral group.

"We are excited about this venture and see it as one more way of deepening the connection between the community and the Marigold." Ferguson said.

For more information on the contest, you can check out our website www.marigoldcentre.ca or phone our Box Office @ 897-4004.



Mermaid Theatre presents

#### Goodnight Moon & The Runaway Bunny

Thursday, March 4, 6:30 pm www.mermaidtheatre.ns.ca

Performance takes place at Cobequid Educational Centre, Lorne St. Truro

Now in its 37th season, Mermaid Theatre has earned international acclaim for its unique interpretations of the works of Eric Carle (The Very Hungry Caterpillar), Leo Lionni (Swimmy, Frederick & Inch by Inch) and Sam McBratney (Guess Hov Much I Love You). These widely-travelled productions incorporate innovative puppetry, striking scenic effects, and evocative original music to provide very young audiences with an effortless introduction to the performing arts and the excitement of reading. The new show will feature these same elements.

Goodnight Moon is a celebration of familiar nighttime rituals, while The Runaway Bunny's pretend tale of leaving home evokes reassuring responses from his loving mum.



# James Keelaghan

Sunday, March 7, 7:30 pm www.keelaghan.com

Called Canada's finest singer-songwriter by one of the most respected music journalists of the last 50 years, James Keelaghan is an artist who has proven to be a man for all

As the calendar pages have turned, for almost a quarter of a century now, this poet laureate of the folk and roots music world has gone about his work with a combination of passion, curiosity intent and intensity.

His masterful storytelling has, over the course of nine recordings, been part of the bedrock of his success, earning Keelaghan nominations and awards—including a Juno—and acclaim from Australia to Scandinavia.



Saturday, March 13, 2:00 pm www.normanfoote.com

Drawing from his own experiences, Norman creates songs and stories & props that delight the ears and eyes. He weaves imaginative word play with great melodies all to great effect.

Norman has created a very special niche with his irreverent comedy and skillful music. He has written and recorded songs for Disney Records, Shari Lewis, CBC syndicated TV show "Scoop & Doozie" to name a few. Norman has received four Parents Choice and NAPPA Gold Awards, Pacific Music Industry Awards, Juno Nominations and Socan's Songwriter of the Year award. His music videos include One Thousand Pennies, Let's Sing a Song and The Progress of Man.



# Evans & Doherty 25 Years on the Road

Sunday, March 14, 7:30 pm www.evansanddoherty.com

Kevin Evans & Brian Doherty have been an integral part of the East Coast music scene for 29 years. This year they celebrate their 25th year as Evans & Doherty. To capture the essence of an Evans & Doherty performance, take a lively blend of traditional, original and contemporary songs, add a liberal sprinkling of stories and humour, then sit back and enjoy these fine entertainers.

As a songwriter and producer, Kevin has enjoyed success; his song Christmas Memories recently achieved platinum status in Canada for John McDermott. Tommy Makem and Liam Clancy recorded The Orchard, another of Kevin's songs. Stompin' Tom Connors has recently recorded Kevin's Silver Sea, a great compliment considering Stompin' Tom doesn't usually record other people's material.

#### **Dini Petty**

Saturday, April 10, 7:30 pm

Possessing a quick wit and incredible energy, Dini Petty is a brilliant conversationalist with a grace and sense of fun that is hard to resist. Familiar to Canadian viewers through her 10 years as host of the highly successful national daily talk show on CTV "The Dini Petty Show".

Going the distance was nothing new for Dini who has 5,000 hours as pilot-in-command of a "pink" Hughes 300 helicopter - making her the first woman in aviation history to pilot a helicopter while simultaneously reporting on traffic and here's perhaps the most glaring contradiction of all. This seemingly fearless woman who has skydived, piloted helicopters and built herself a remarkable career in the media admits to suffering with a nearly lifelong struggle with abysmally low self-esteem.



### Theresa Malenfant

Sunday, April 25, 7:30 PM www.myspace.com/theresamalenfanttheinstigators

Raised in Dieppe, NB, Theresa grew up surrounded by a musically-talented family. When she was quite young, her

mother introduced her to the big band era of the 1940's. When she first discovered the blues, she was so taken aback by the music; she would spend long hours listening to the recordings of her favorite performers in order to learn their techniques.

It wasn't long before Theresa formed her own band and started to make an impact on audiences wherever she played; people raved about the New Brunswick girl who sang like Janis Joplin.

Theresa herself was not yet content until she had tackled the one goal she had at that point: the release of her first album titled "Turtle Blues", and although it may have been a small basement studio production, it managed to sell over 3,000 copies faster than anyone had expected.



## Garnet Rogers

Thursday, June 24, 7:30 pm www.garnetrogers.com

> Garnet Rogers has established himself as One of the major talents of our time". Hailed by the Boston Globe as a "charismatic performer and singer", Garnet is a man with a powerful physical presence - close to six and a half feet tall—with a voice to match.

With his "smooth, dark baritone" (Washington Post) his incredible nge, and thoughtful, drar phrasing, Garnet is widely considered by fans and critics alike to be one of the finest singers anywhere.

Garnet Rogers, with his older brother Stan, formed what has come to be accepted as one of the most influential acts in North American folk music.







#### Michael Bourada

Friday, April 23, 7:00 pm www.experiencethemagic.ca

Michael Bourada is one of Canada's elite magicians and one of magic's brightest rising stars.

At the age of 25 Michael has become both an award-winning and headlining magician

Michael is regarded as an original individual in magic - his upbeat dove act, unique illusions and modern style are definitely capturing attention as his show is featured at countless events each year.



# Wendy Nielsen

Featuring the Cantabile Singers of Truro Saturday, May 1, 7:30 pm Performance takes place at First United Church, Prince St, Truro

Impressive debuts have almost been a matter of course for New Brunswick-born soprano Wendy Nielson since she made her professional debut in 1990 with the Canadian Opera Company Ensemble as Kate Pinkerton in Madama Butterfly. She made her Metropolitan Opera debut as Fiordiligi in Mozart's Cosi fan tutte in 1996 and has performed numerous roles there in the ensuing

seasons. She has also performed with many companies across North America including the Canadian Opera Company where she was an apprentice artist, New York City Opera, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Boston Lyric Opera, L'Opera de Montreal, Calgary Opera, Minnesota Opera, and Florida Grand Opera. In addition to a busy performing schedule Ms. Nielsen is an active voice teacher, clinician and adjudicator. She has taught

at a variety of summer programs including Opera Nuova in Edmonton, the new University of Toronto summer opera program COSI in Sulmona Italy and is the artistic director of the summer program at St. Andrews by the Sea, which she has developed into a nationally recognized program over the past 14 years.





