

GORDON LIGHTFOOT ANNOUNCES FALL MASSEY HALL PERFORMANCE DATES

Warner Music to Release new Lightfoot CD - *Massey Hall Moments – All Live*

For Immediate Release – Monday, February 27, 2012

The **150 concerts** that have followed Canadian music icon, **Gordon Lightfoot's** first two sold-out concerts at **MASSEY HALL** in March 1967 have become the stuff of local legend. They have been described by the Toronto Star "as a defining event in the cultural life of Toronto," with shows that are "comforting beacons, offering sanctuary and a sense of home, of history and continuation." Gordon Lightfoot returns home to the Grand Old Lady of Shuter Street this Fall for a string of 4-concerts on **November 14, 15, 16 and 17, 2012**. Lightfoot's Massey Hall residencies are also celebrated with the release of a new Gordon Lightfoot album *Massey Hall Moments – All Live*. This collection of live recordings of the finest Massey Hall performances, recorded between 1998 and 2001, will be released by **Warner Music Canada** on **Tuesday, April 17, 2012**.

Tickets for the 2012 Massey Hall dates go on sale **Friday, March 2, 2012 at 10:00am**. Fans buying tickets through the Roy Thomson Hall box office (416-872-4255) or www.masseyhall.com will also have the option of buying a bundle that includes the new album, *Massey Hall Moments – All Live* which will be delivered the Friday before the public street date.

"Gordon Lightfoot has performed at Massey Hall more than any other individual artist in the Halls 117 year history. The contribution that Mr. Lightfoot has made to Toronto is immense and it's only fitting that he would share some of these moments with the rest of the world with the release of *Massey Hall Moments – All Live*. Great halls need great performances from the greatest performers," says Charles S. Cutts, President and CEO of The Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall. "Gordon Lightfoot is part of the Massey Hall legacy and we're proud to welcome him back year after year. We always look forward to it. Welcome home Gordon!"

A national treasure, Gordon Lightfoot is beloved by music fans around the world. On **Thursday, June 14, 2012**, Gordon Lightfoot legacy will be further enhanced when he is inducted into the **Songwriters Hall Of Fame** in New York City in the performer category alongside **Bob Seger, Don Schlitz, Harvey Schmidt, Tom Jones and Jim Steinman**. Immediately following this induction ceremony, Gordon continues his 5th decade of touring with performances at the **NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE, Ottawa on June 15 & 16; Montreal's PLACE DES ARTS on June 17**, followed by appearances at **Kitchener's CENTRE IN THE SQUARE on June 21; CHATHAM CAPITAL THEATRE on June 22, THE RBC CENTRE THEATRE, Sarnia on June 23**, with a new concert just added for the **TIMKEN CENTRE, in St. Thomas, Ontario on June 24**. *Tickets are on sale now!*

Born November 17, 1938 in Orillia, Ontario Gordon Lightfoot studied at Los Angeles' Westlake College of Music. He returned to Canada in the early 1960s and began performing at the "Riverboat" during Toronto's fabled folk scene. In 1966, his debut album *Lightfoot!* was released. Tracks such as *For Lovin' Me, Early Mornin' Rain, Steel Rail Blues* and *Ribbon of Darkness* brought him international recognition as a songwriter. Cover versions of his songs were recorded by artists such as Bob Dylan, Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley, until 1971 when his own version of *If You Could Read My Mind* became a Top Ten hit. In 1974, his classic single, *Sundown*, went to No.1 on the American charts, followed two years later by *The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald*, inspired by a *Newsweek* magazine article; it reached No. 2 on the U.S. *Billboard* charts. By the 1990s he was mostly touring, giving just fifty concerts a year by 1998, mainly in North America, while he released two albums in the period. In 2004, he released his 20th album *Harmony*, and appeared as a featured guest on *Canadian Idol*.

Mr. Lightfoot has won **15 Juno Awards** and been nominated for **5 Grammy Awards**. He was inducted into the **Canadian Music Hall of Fame** in 1986 and the **Canadian Country Music Hall Of Fame** in 2001. In May 2003 was made a **Companion of the Order of Canada** and is also a member of the **Order of Ontario** and in 2004 was inducted into the **Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame**.

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A full tour schedule follows.

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GORDON LIGHTFOOT 2012 TOUR SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 14, 2012,
Thursday, November 15, 2012,
Friday, November 16, 2012 &
Saturday, November 17, 2012
8:00 PM

Massey Hall
178 Victoria Street
TORONTO, ON
Tickets: \$45.00, \$70.00 & \$85.00
Can be purchased at RTH box office (416-872-4255), Ticketmaster
(416.870.8000) or www.ticketmaster.ca or www.masseyhall.com
FriendsFirst pre-sale: February 29
On sale to the Public: March 2

Friday, June 15, 2012 &
Saturday, June 16, 2012
8:00 PM

National Arts Centre - Southam Hall
53 Elgin Street
OTTAWA, ON
Ticket Prices: \$65.00, \$75.00, \$85.00
Visit the NAC Box office or call *Ticketmaster* at (613) 755-1111;
Ticketmaster may also be accessed through the NAC's website at
nac-cna.ca. Surcharges will apply to all *Ticketmaster* purchases.

Sunday, June 17, 2012
8:00 PM

Salle Wilfrid-Pelletier, Place des Arts**
175 Ste-Catherine Street West
MONTREAL, QC
Ticket Prices: \$79.50 - \$69.50 - \$54.50
Tickets available at Place des Arts, at (514) 842-2112,
and at laplacedesarts.com

DIRECT LINKS TO PURCHASE:

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Thursday, June 21, 2012
8:00 PM

Centre in the Square
101 Queen Street North
KITCHENER, ON
Ticket Prices: \$59.00, \$75.00, \$99.00
Call 1-800-265-8977 or visit Centre in the Square Box Office
www.centre-square.com

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Friday, June 22, 2012
8:00 P.M.

Chatham Capital Theatre
238 King Street West
CHATHAM, ON
Tickets Prices: 59.45, \$69.50 & \$84.50.
Purchase online at www.chathamcapitoltheatre.com

Saturday, June 23, 2012
8:00 P.M.

RBC Centre Theatre
1455 London Road
SARNIA, ON
Tickets Prices: \$39.50 \$69.50 & \$84.50.
Limited number of VIP Packages available
Purchase Tickets Box Office - (519) 541-1717
www.rbccentresarnia.com

Sunday, June 24, 2012
8:00 P.M.

Timken Centre
2 - 3rd Ave.
ST. THOMAS, ON
Tickets Prices: \$49.50 & \$85.00
Limited number of VIP Packages available
Purchase Tickets at Timken Centre 519-633-7112
Tickets on sale March 1

Tickets available at  unless otherwise noted.

www.ticketmaster.ca

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