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Gordon Lightfoot: The Legend in Concert - This August at the Weinberg Center



FREDERICK, MD, Thursday, July 1, 2021
—Latshaw Productions presents one of the greatest singer songwriters of all time, Gordon Lightfoot: The Legend in Concert at the Weinberg Center for the Arts on Saturday, August 7, 2021, at 7:00 PM. Tickets start at \$49 and go on sale to Weinberg Center members at 10:00 AM Friday, July 2, 2021 and to the public Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM. Tickets can be purchased online at

<u>WeinbergCenter.org</u>, by calling the box office at 301-600-2828, or in person at 20 West Patrick Street.

After 50 active years of hit song making and international album sales well into the multi-millions, it's safe to say that esteemed singer-songwriter and musician Gordon Lightfoot resides with some very exclusive company atop the list of all-time greats. His song catalog is incredibly vast and includes such immortals as *Early Morning Rain*, *If You Could Read My Mind*, *Carefree Highway*, *Sundown*, (*That's What You Get*) For Lovin Me, The Wreck Of The Edmund Fitzgerald, Canadian Railroad Trilogy, Ribbon Of Darkness, Beautiful, Song For A Winter's Night and Rainy Day People to name a few.

Lightfoot is heading across the country this fall to celebrate two huge releases: his first full-length album in 14 years and the nation-wide release of the documentary film <u>Gordon Lightfoot</u>: <u>If You Could Read My Mind</u>. The concert tour will feature his well-known hits as well as some deep album cuts for the die-hard fanatics. All of which are woven together with some of Lightfoot's own behind the scenes stories and personal anecdotes about his historic 50-plus-years musical career.

ABOUT THE ARTIST: Gordon Lightfoot has recorded 20 albums and has five Grammy nominations. His songs have been aired regularly for 50 years, earning him Radio Singles Chart Positions in North America achieved by few others. Lightfoot's radio hits in the USA have earned Five #1s, Five Top 10s and Thirteen Top 40 hits. In Canada he has earned Sixteen #1s, Eighteen Top 10s and Twenty-One Top 40 hits.

Aside from his success in writing, singing and performing his own songs, Lightfoot has found fortune in having his songs recorded and performed by other great artists including: Bob Dylan, Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Hank Williams, Jr., Marty Robbins, Jerry Lee Lewis, Judy Collins, Johnny Mathis, Anne Murray, Olivia Newton-John, Sarah McLachlan, Barbra Streisand, Peter Paul & Mary, Harry Belafonte, Jane's Addiction, Richie Havens, Glen Campbell, Toby Keith, George Hamilton IV and Eric Clapton.

In June of 2012 Lightfoot's legacy was further enhanced when he was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame. Lightfoot was honored for his role in defining the folk-pop sound of the 1960s and '70s. There are fewer than 400 inductees who make up the impressive roster enshrined in the Songwriters Hall of Fame including Barry Mann, Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller, Hal David and Burt Bacharach, John Fogerty, Bob Dylan, Isaac Hayes, Carole King, Paul Simon, Billy Joel, Sir Elton John, Bernie Taupin, Brian Wilson, James Taylor, James Brown, Bruce Springsteen, Jim Croce, Phil Collins, Loretta Lynn, Jimmy Webb, Van Morrison, Kris Kristofferson, Dolly Parton, Diane Warren, Garth Brooks, Leon Russell and Leonard Cohen.

In his native Canada, Lightfoot has been decorated with the highest honors bestowed to a civilian including the Governor's General Award and the Companion to the Order of Canada honor of merit. He has also won 17 Juno Awards - Canada's equivalent to the Grammy Awards. Gordon is a member of Canada's Walk of Fame and The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame. In 2007, Canada Post honored him by issuing an official Gordon Lightfoot postage stamp. Lightfoot is also in the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame. Gordon Lightfoot is an indelible part of the Canadian national spirit and regarded as perhaps the most prolific and greatest Canadian singer-songwriter of all time.

For your convenience below is a link to photos of the artist. https://bit.ly/GLightfoot_dropbox

The Weinberg Center's full 2021-22 Season will be announced August 5, 2021. More information about programming at the Weinberg Center for the Arts can be found at WeinbergCenter.org.

ABOUT THE WEINBERG CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Weinberg Center for the Arts is one of the region's premier performing arts presenters, offering film, music, dance, theater, and family-focused programming. Located in the historic Tivoli movie theater in downtown Frederick Maryland, the Weinberg Center strives to ensure that the arts remain accessible and affordable to local and regional audiences alike. Weinberg Center events are made possible with major support from the City of Frederick, the Maryland State Arts Council, Plamondon Hospitality Partners, and other corporate and individual donors.