



King's Wharf Theatre's 2026 Season

*Broadway Blockbusters ... Contemporary Comedies ... Musical Revues ...
Family Favourites ... And More!*

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – The **King's Wharf Theatre** in Penetanguishene has announced an expanded 2026 Season, featuring five productions throughout the summer and fall on the picturesque shores of Georgian Bay.

“Our 2026 Season spans genres, emotions, and generations but at its core, it's about what unites us: the need to laugh, to feel, to dream, and to share the experience together,” says **David Connolly**, Artistic Director of Drayton Entertainment, the award-winning not-for-profit charitable arts organization that operates the King's Wharf Theatre. “We can't wait to welcome you into this vibrant collection of unforgettable stories... where hope inspires change, courage strengthens connection, and shared experiences celebrate the joy, resilience, and humanity that bind us together.”

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The 2026 Season starts with the divine musical comedy ***Sister Act***, with music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Glenn Slater, and book by Cheri Steinkellner and Bill Steinkellner. Based on the hit movie starring Whoopi Goldberg, a disco diva is forced to hide out in a convent after witnessing a violent crime. Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with the rigid lifestyle but with her sensational talent, she helps her fellow sisters find their inner voices while unexpectedly finding her own. Filled with glorious gospel-inspired music, dancing, and an uplifting story that celebrates sisterhood, ***Sister Act*** will leave audiences jumping for joy **June 10 to June 27**.

The season continues with ***Nashville Music City***, a feel-good musical revue created by Tracey Power and Van Wilmott that chronicles how Nashville became the heart and soul of country music. A neon light shines on defining music through the decades, covering hit after hit popularized by legends like Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, and Johnny Cash to modern-day superstars like Shania Twain, Garth Brooks, Keith Urban, and Taylor Swift. Watch these incredibly talented musicians go wild, **July 2 to July 18**.

Next up is the heartwarming comedy ***Over the River and Through the Woods*** written by Joe DiPietro. The generation gap is affectionately portrayed through the eyes of four Italian American grandparents, who hatch

a plan to stop their beloved grandson from leaving. Full of hilarious twists and turns, this memorable production will speak to all generations of theatregoers. It's onstage **July 23 to August 8**.

Return to Grace, the Concert of a Lifetime, is an exhilarating theatrical experience that celebrates the enduring spirit of one of the greatest icons of our time. A jukebox of Elvis standards including "Love Me Tender," "Hound Dog," "Suspicious Minds," "Heartbreak Hotel" and many more come to life in a breathtaking stage spectacle featuring 20 musicians, singers, and dancers. This high-energy musical revue, conceived and created by Robert Asselstine, runs **August 13 to August 30**.

To conclude the 2026 Season, the longstanding British panto tradition continues with the reimagined fairy tale *Snow White and the Seven Tenors* by Caroline Smith. Banished by her jealous stepmother and tricked into biting a poisoned apple, Snow White stumbles across a group of powerhouse singers who help the princess find her voice, topple the wicked queen, and hit all the right notes on her journey back to the palace. A beloved tradition imported from the UK, pantomimes mix fairy tales with fabulous fun: chart-topping hits, dazzling dance, outrageous costumes, pop-culture gags, and cheeky humour for kids and grown-ups alike. See it **October 21 to November 14**.

Ticket Information

Creative teams and full casting for all 2026 Season productions will be announced later.

Tickets are on sale exclusively to **Members** on **Monday, December 8**, and to **Subscribers** on **Friday, December 12**. Tickets are on sale for **everyone** by phone and online at kingswharftheatre.com beginning on **Tuesday, December 16**.

The King's Wharf Theatre will be closed to walk-up traffic during the 2026 Season on-sale period. To order by phone, please call toll free at **1-855-372-9866**. For more information about Drayton Entertainment's complete 2026 Season on all seven stages, please visit draytonentertainment.com/2026.

2026 Season at a Glance

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Nashville Music City (July 2 to July 18)

Over the River and Through the Woods (July 23 to August 8)

Return to Grace (August 13 to August 30)

Snow White and the Seven Tenors: A Panto (October 21 to November 14)

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