



Harmony Bazaar Announces 2018 Festival

Lockeport, Nova Scotia, March 14, 2018 - Nova Scotia Music Week award winners THE PORT CITIES and songstress RACHEL BECK to headline Harmony Bazaar Festival of Women & Song on July 28th, 2018.

PORT CITIES-Stellar songs, dynamic vocals, and superior musicianship marks the emergence of Port Cities onto the Canadian music scene. An exciting group from the east coast, Port Cities brings together the award winning talents of Breagh Mackinnon, Carleton Stone, and Dylan Guthro. Port Cities released their self titled debut album in February, 2017. It's a record that draws on Port Cities' collective songwriting expertise and the result is a "perfect balance of Nashville and Nova Scotia, of the rustic and atmospheric, of indie intimacy and arena-pop anthems .." In 2017 Port Cities won FIVE Nova Scotia Music Awards including Best Album and Entertainer of the Year as well as achieving a number one's on CBC Music and on Spotify's viral fifty chart for "Back to the Bottom." (www.portcities.ca)

RACHEL BECK's rich, clear vocals gracefully dance above distinctive piano to create a fresh and compelling adult alternative/pop sound. Rachel partnered with producer Daniel Ledwell to record her debut solo album, "RACHEL BECK" released March 2018 glowing with catchy pop hooks, it lures the listener into an ethereal and enveloping soundscape, as the songs take one on a trek across a wide emotional range – from regret and grief to wonder and joy. Rachel's single "Reckless Heart" is currently no 1 on CBC. (www.rachelbeckmusic.com)

This year will mark the thirteenth offering of Harmony Bazaar. The festival will be celebrating its roots by blending the best local talent with other fantastic East Coast acts. The festival will take place on Saturday July 28th, 2018 from noon until 10pm. The Harmony Bazaar board is working hard to finalize the full schedule of events and to restructure the festival based on feedback from festival goers. Early Bird tickets are now available for \$35 until May 18th online at harmonybazaar.com, at the Town Market in Lockeport and at Gosbee's Sporting Goods in Shelburne.

Harmony Bazaar Festival of Women & Song will take place Saturday July 28 at Seacaps Memorial Park in Lockeport, Nova Scotia. Listen to the *sounds of the festival* on our Spotify playlist (www.harmonybazaar.com/lineup)

For more information on the full lineup of events and to purchase tickets, visit
www.harmonybazaar.com

Quick Facts:

- Harmony Bazaar Festival of Women & Song is the only women's festival in Atlantic Canada.
- Harmony Bazaar grew out of the Shelburne County Women's Fishnet, an organization created around rural kitchen tables to support women and families during the downturn in the traditional fishing industry.
- The festival has had its share of highlights over the years including performances from Rita McNeil, Irish Mythen, Michelle Wright, Serena Ryder, Suzie McNeil and Heather Rankin.
- The Harmony Bazaar Society exists to promote female artists and song. It recognizes women as change agents, builders and promoters within our communities. The Society builds community spirit, pride, and social capital. The Society hosts a summer festival, a winter music series, and

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educational workshops and events.