

2016 County Jazz Fest features newest JUNO winners, young stars

Emilie-Claire Barlow, Robi Botos the latest atop a long list of JUNO winners and new-generation talent at Canada's unique "jazz-only" jazz festival

Direct from wins at the 2016 JUNO Awards - the Prince Edward County Jazz Festival will present vocalist **Emilie-Claire Barlow** and pianist **Robi Botos** at this year's festival, which runs Aug. 16 - 21.

The two stars captured two of three available jazz JUNOs this year; Barlow won and earned another nomination for best vocal jazz album for *Clear Day* and Botos' *Movin' Forward* captured the prize for solo jazz album.

In fact, the entire 2016 Prince Edward County Festival lineup is steeped in JUNO, Gemini and even Grammy winners and nominees: Joe Sealy, Jackie Richardson, Mike Murley, Guido Basso, Bernie Senensky, Brian Barlow, among others. Performers include rising young talents such as bassist Jodi Proznick, tenor saxophonist Alison Young, vocalist Alex Samaras, and a week's worth of TD Young Jazz Series artists who will one day make their mark as headliners.

Since 2001, the Prince Edward County Jazz Festival has been presenting the very best in live Canadian and international jazz for a week in August. That's five straight days for fifteen consecutive years, a record that clearly establishes the Festival as the number-one producer of world-class live entertainment in a part of Ontario becoming well-known not only for its wine, but also for its creative contributions to Canadian culture.

Performers are getting younger. With an average age under 40, and a week's worth of shows by emerging artists in the **TD Young Jazz Series**, the music **is** alive, well, hip, and going places.



The main stage schedule:

Tuesday, Aug. 16 - Basso Backstage: In Conversation with Guido Basso 7:00pm Baxter Centre Bloomfield Stories about a rich life in jazz from Canada's Minister of Music

Wednesday, Aug. 17 - Jazz Overture: Mark Eisenman Trio with Phil Dwyer 5:30 pm Waring House Picton

Thursday, Aug. 18 - Emilie-Claire Barlow 8:00pm Regent Theatre

Now the owner of two vocal jazz album JUNO awards for both this year and 2013, and with no fewer than 7 nominations and eleven albums to her credit, Barlow places herself squarely in the forefront of jazz anywhere.

Friday, Aug. 19 - Guido Basso & Friends

8:00pm Regent Theatre

Mike Murley, Jodi Proznick, Bernie Senensky, and Dave Laing fill out an all-star, "coast-to-coast" quintet

Saturday Aug. 20 - Robi Botos and Jodi Proznick

2:00 pm St. Mary Magdalene Church, Picton

2016 Juno-winning pianist Robi Botos with new-generation bassist Jodi Proznick

Saturday, Aug. 20 - **Africville with Joe Sealy & Jackie Richardson** 8:00 pm Regent Theatre Joe Sealey's Juno-winning jazz story about Canada's oldest black community in Halifax with the incomparable Ms. Richardson

Sunday, Aug. 21 - Jazz Mass with the Brian Barlow Quartet 10:30am St. Mary Magdalene Church Picton

Sunday, Aug. 21 - **The Brian Barlow Big Band & Alex Samaras** 8:00 pm Regent Theatre The big band burner is turned on high as Canada's best musicians cook up fresh sounds with a touch of Sinatra

Ticket information and full week-long schedule details at www.pecjazz.org