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5th Annual Leonard Cohen Night *A FINE BLEND OF POETRY, SONG AND PORTRAITS*

EDMONTON, AB - JUNE 16, 2006 - *Hallelujah! Leonard Cohen Night* returns to Edmonton, **Saturday**, **September 23rd** with an evening of poetry and song.

This event, presented by the *Cohenights Arts Society* in conjunction with the first *Edmonton Poetry Festival*, will celebrate the 72nd birthday of Canada's favorite poet by featuring local singers Colleen Brown, John Gorham, Jared Sewan and Ann Vriend as well as wordsmiths Jacques *Jocko* Benoît and Myrna Garanis.

The 5th Annual *Leonard Cohen Night* is the culmination of a two-week celebration that includes *Spice Box*, an exhibition of women's portraits inspired by Cohen's poetry, at Edmonton City Hall, September 7 - 20. This exhibition will feature works by Tessa Nunn, Glenys Switzer and Raymond Thériault curated by Danielle LaBrie.

Join friends, fans and others who 'dig' music and poetry - and 'Leonard' - for these unique festivities.

Leonard Cohen Night will be held at *La Cité*, 8627 - 91 St., Edmonton. Show starts at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$22 and are available at *TIX on the Square* (780.420.1757 or toll free 877.888.1757 tix@tixonthesquare.ca).

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