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## Heart's Breakout Album – Dreamboat Annie – Performed Live in its Full Glory by Classic Albums Live from Arts Commons Presents

Dreamboat Annie highlights local talent with Kami Van Halst (lead vocals), Reed Shimozawa, Adam Richer, and Don Jorgensen (guitar), Lisa Jacobs (back-up vocals and bass), and Corbett Frasz (drums).

January 19, 2022 - CALGARY – The charging rhythms, siren vocals, and earthy rock beats are what sets Heart apart from the pack. From Heart's first introduction to the world, it was evident that their unique sound couldn't be matched...But here's the next best thing. Classic Albums Live brings their first women-led group to the Jack Singer Concert Hall stage to perform Heart: Dreamboat Annie as part of the 2022-23 season of Classic Albums Live with Arts Commons Presents on Friday, February 10, 2023.

In September 1975, that first iconic peal of Nancy Wilson's guitar followed by Ann Wilson's sultry vocals in Hearts' soon-to-be-worldwide hit *Magic Man* hit Canadian radio waves. It was a match made in heaven. Two wildly talented sisters, blending genres and sounds that had never been heard before, exploded onto the music scene. The US release of their LP hit Platinum status within a year of its release and skyrocketed Heart into worldwide fame.

"The sisters changed everything. They came out swinging and never looked back," says Craig Martin. "They were one of the hardest working bands back in the day. The Dreamboat Annie album is full of surprises and tricks. Ann Wilson's voice is pure and rivaled only by Freddie Mercury's. I hope the audience listens to the album before they come to the show because it takes you on a journey."

Heart: Dreamboat Annie features Classic Albums Live's first women-led group with Edmonton native Kami Van Halst on lead vocals, supported by Calgary musician Lisa Jacobs on backup vocals and bass. The group is rounded out by Calgary musicians Reed Shimozawa, Adam Richer, and Don Jorgensen on guitar and Corbett Frasz on drums. As a debut album, Heart's Dreamboat Annie took the world by storm, introducing us to the wailing guitar and contagious beat of *Magic Man* and Ann Wilson's rockstar vocals in *Crazy On You*. Along with these hits from the album, Classic Albums will also perform favourites *Barracuda* and the show-stopping *What About Love*.

Along with Classic Albums Live's cast of all-star Canadian musicians, Arts Commons Presents is proud to share the 2022-23 season of historic albums, painstakingly recreated live on stage. The series is currently in its fifth season at Arts Commons, which was expanded from three to four concerts due to popular demand. This season they brought U2's chart-topping release *The Joshua Tree* and Billy Joel's breakout album *The Stranger* to huge audience acclaim. Coming up on April 22, 2023, Classic Albums Live and Arts Commons Presents celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pink Floyd's seminal work, *The Dark Side of the Moon*. Past highlights include sell-out performances of The Beatles: Abbey Road, Pink Floyd: The Wall, and Creedence Clearwater Revival: Chronicle 1, which was the centerpiece of Arts Commons' free outdoor music event in 2021, *Showtime: A Live Music Celebration*.

Each concert by Classic Albums Live follows a tried-and-true formula: recreating these treasured pieces of music history down to each precise detail. Act two opens up the repertoire, and the onstage banter, to cover the artist's biggest hits from their entire catalogue. This way, fans get the best of both worlds – the album they know and love, and a party atmosphere where singing and dancing is encouraged.



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Join Arts Commons Presents and Classic Albums Live to rock with the female-led rock band that changed the paradigm of what defined rock music for a whole generation of listeners.

## For tickets, call 403-294-9494 or visit artscommons.ca/dreamboatannie.

What:	Classic Albums Live, Heart: Dreamboat Annie
When:	Friday, February 10, 2022
Where:	Arts Commons, Jack Singer Concert Hall
Who:	Arts Commons Presents
Preshow:	Marcus Trummer
Tickets:	artscommons.ca/dreamboatannie or call 403-294-9494

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