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FOLK NIGHT AT THE REGISTRY Presents RON HYNES
An evening with Newfoundland's superb songwriter!

With a songwriting career that spans nearly 35 years, **Ron Hynes is a six-time East Coast Music Award (ECMA) winner**, a Genie Award winner, recipient of the **2008 SOCAN National Achievement Award** and a past Juno, CCMA and Canadian Folk Music Awards nominee. He's received both Artist of The Year and the prestigious Arts Achievement Award from the Newfoundland & Labrador Arts Council, as well as a Lifetime Achievement Award from the St. John's Folk Arts Council. Ron Hynes also holds an Honorary PhD for his songwriting and contribution to the cultural life of his beloved home province of Newfoundland.

Ron Hynes began his career as a singer-songwriter in the early seventies, and in '76 he composed "**Sonny's Dream**" which has become a folk classic, performed and recorded by artists all over the world. He was a founding member of the Wonderful Grand Band, a musical comedy show that produced two albums of original work, 41 television shows (plus specials) for CBC-TV, and toured the country non-stop during its six-year history.

In 2003 Ron released his 6th solo album, "**Get Back Change**", garnering MusicNL Awards for Male Artist, Country Album and **SOCAN Song of the Year**, and winning the 2004 ECMAs for "Country Recording of the Year" and "**Album of the Year**". Produced by Paul Mills, "**Get Back Change**" features guest performances by Sylvia Tyson, Cindy Church and Jenny Whiteley.

2006 marked the release of the "**Ron Hynes**" CD, a stirring collection of 14 soul-baring, personal songs, touted by many as Ron's most brilliant work to date, and the most played album on Galaxie Network's Folk-Roots channel for 2006. The CD generated multiple award nominations, resulting in Ron Hynes winning the 2006 MusicNL Awards for "Songwriter of the Year", "Folk-Roots Artist of the Year", "Entertainer of The Year" and the 2007 ECMA for "**Male Solo Recording of the Year**".

Frequently referred to as the "man of a thousand songs", Ron Hynes' songs have been covered by dozens of artists worldwide, including Emmylou Harris, Christy Moore, Mary Black, Denny Doherty, Murray McLauchlan, Valdy, John McDermott, Terry Kelly, Prairie Oyster, The Good Brothers, The Cottars, The Trews, Dave Gunning, and many more.

*This concert is the fourth in the **2008-2009 Folk Night at the Registry Series**, which continues April 18, 2009 with Alberta's Maria Dunn and Nova Scotia's Dave Gunning.*

FOLK NIGHT at The Registry presents Ron Hynes.
Saturday, March 14, 2009. 8pm. \$18 Advance, \$20 at the door
The Registry Theatre. 122 Frederick St. Kitchener.

For tickets: The Centre In The Square Box Office, 1.800.265.8977, 519.578.1570
Twelfth Night Music, Erb St. W, Waterloo, or from Jack Cole at 519.578.6298.
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