



Making Spirits Bright

To March 21

More than 122,000 colourful lights currently illuminate the outside of St. Paul's Hospital. This annual display usually comes down about the same time the last Christmas fruitcake is eaten, but this winter the Lights of Hope (page 43) are staying lit well into March, with the goal of raising \$1.85 million for the hospital.

PuSh the Boundaries

January 20 to February 6

An eight-hour-long improvisational concert by more than 50 musicians. A recreation of Auschwitz using actors and tiny puppets. A dreamlike, macabre multimedia work. A play that explores the psychology of a serial killer's accomplice. These and other experimental works are breaking new ground at this year's PuSh International Performing Arts Festival (page 44).



PHOTOS: (TOP) BY KK LAW; (BOTTOM) THE SHOW MUST GO ON BY MUSSACCHIO LANIELLO



Vancouver Canucks

Hockey fever hits Vancouver well before the 2010 Winter Games, as the Canucks take the home ice nine times this month (page 63). If you can't score a ticket to one of the sold-out games in GM Place, don't worry—just check out any TV screen in any pub or restaurant in town.

JONI MITCHELL'S THE FIDDLE AND THE DRUM

January 22 to 24

What do you get when you combine the choreography of Alberta Ballet's Jean Grand-Maitre (who is also choreography director for the 2010 Winter Games's opening, closing and nightly victory ceremonies) with the music of Canadian icon Joni Mitchell? A genre-defying ballet that the CBC called one of "the decade's most significant moments in the performing arts." See it for yourself at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre (page 63). This show opens the Cultural Olympiad 2010 (page 43).



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SALUTE TO VIENNA

Orpheum Theatre
The New Year's Day tradition continues (page 62).



JAY LENO

River Rock Show Theatre
Observational humour from the stand-up comic (page 44).



JERRY WELDON TRIO

The Cellar Restaurant/Jazz Club
Tenor saxophonist from New York (page 70).



NEVERMORE

Granville Island Stage
Opening night of the musical fable about Edgar Allan Poe (page 63).



CRAIG FERGUSON

Red Robinson Show Theatre
The Scottish-American comic and TV host (page 44).



TUNDRA SONGS

The Chan Centre
Inuit throat singer Tanya Tagaq joins Kronos Quartet (page 62).

