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Silver Anniversary

For 25 years, Science World at Telus World of Science (page 52) has been turning challenging concepts into fun hands-on exhibits for youngsters and oldsters alike. On Oct. 17, a full year of anniversary celebrations culminates in a swanky soiree showcasing the past, present and future of the popular attraction housed in Vancouver's most recognizable building. The evening features culinary creations, fine wines and cool cocktails under the geodesic dome, along with music, memories and more. Here's to the next quarter-century.

Stickboy

What happens when the bullied becomes the bully? Canada's best-known spoken-word artist, BC's own Shane Koyczan (pictured), explored this idea in his novel-in-verse Stickboy. Kovczan and composer Neil Weisensel have now adapted the much-lauded book into a visually innovative and musically memorable opera. Catch the world premiere Oct. 23 to Nov. 7 at the Vancouver Playhouse. See page 52.



'80S FOREVER

Back in 1983, the influence of *Flashdance* was inescapable. The hit movie produced a flood of top-10 songs—"Maniac," "Gloria," "Manhunt," "I Love Rock 'N' Roll," plus that oh-so-catchy title track—and countless fashion trends. Now it's time to **brush off those old legwarmers** and off-the-shoulder grey sweatshirt and head to the Queen Elizabeth Theatre for the stage adaptation, *Flashdance - The Musical* (Nov. 11 to 16; page 52). What a feeling!