



Music, Maestro

The kids are heading back to school and the leaves are changing colour, which means it's also time for the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (page 40) to return. **Don't miss the kick-off of the new season**, Sep. 26 and 28 at the Orpheum Theatre, with Bramwell Tovey conducting and Miriam Fried on violin.

"White & Nerdy"

You might know him only from '80s parody songs such as "Eat It" and "Like a Surgeon," but the **self-proclaimed weirdest man in pop music** is still going strong three decades later. His recent hits include "Word Crimes" (which spoofs Robin Thicke's "Blurred Lines") and "Tacky" (which parodies Pharrell Williams' "Happy"). Catch "Weird Al" Yankovic (page 40) Sep. 8 at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre.



FLASHY & FIERY

For a quarter of a century, the Vancouver International Flamenco Festival (Sep. 12 to 27; page 39) has been bringing performers to the city to share **unforgettable Spanish folk music and dance**. For this, the 25th anniversary, the lineup is even more electrifying than usual, with Victoria's Peña Flamenca, as well as Spain's Andrés Peña and Pilar Ogalla Company.