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## **Celebrate Canada Day with Lights and Music at the High Level Bridge**

*Edmonton – From Wes Dakus to the Wet Secrets...* Jason Kodie and Scott Peters illuminate the historic High Level Bridge with lights, motion, and five decades of Edmonton music and musical artists on Canada Day. *Edmontunes: a musical mosaic* begins at 10:50pm and culminates in the City of Edmonton's annual fireworks display. **The soundscape will be broadcast via CKUA online via <http://ckua.streamon.fm/> or at 94.9 FM.**

Scott Peters and Jason Kodie are well known to Edmontonians as members of the iconic band, Captain Tractor, and as key members of the city's lively and diverse cultural community. The team was commissioned, through the Edmonton Arts Council 2015 Transitory Public Art Call, to create dynamic programming for Light the Bridge.

A citizen-led and funded initiative, Light the Bridge illuminates the landmark structure in thematic colours 365 days a year. Working with software engineers and the City of Edmonton Civic Events Office, Kodie and Peters have been working since March to create this exciting, dynamic program. The artists have a combined experience of more than 50 years working in Edmonton's arts community.

Kodie is an accomplished sound designer, in addition to being a founder of Francophone music group Allez Ouest. He serves as Music Curator for the Flying Canoe Volant Festival and was the Artistic Curator for Edmonton's Cultural Capital in 2006. Peters is Production Manager and resident Lighting Designer for Theatre Network. His expertise with LED lighting technology has inspired him to create spectacular lighting effects at Edmonton's Silver Skate Festival.

"The High Level Bridge is an enormous canvas to paint on," says Scott Peters. "We wanted everyone to experience the lights in a new way. This program uses the lighting equipment to its full advantage – strobes, pulses, washes and video effects. We want the lights and music to create the feel of a big party in the river valley."

The nine-and-a-half minute program features a soundscape of Edmonton music greats that includes: Tommy Banks, Gaby Haas, the Emeralds, Junior Gone Wild, k.d. lang, Corb Lund, Grace Under Pressure, The Pursuit of Happiness, Jensen Interceptor, Cadence Weapon, the McDades, Maria Dunn, and Asani. The Aboriginal women's quartet brings the program to a close with their trilingual interpretation of *O Canada*.

"It's beautiful, it's full of dancing movement with the drums and vocals sung in English, French, and Cree," explains Jason Kodie, "There was no other way for us to finish this celebration."

Edmonton Arts Council Public Art Director, Katherine Kerr, says, "This is a hugely ambitious project that elevates the High Level Bridge lights in an unexpected way. We are excited to see how these talented local artists have embraced this technology to realize their vision."

In addition to the Canada Day program, Scott Peters will create further lightscapes that will illuminate the High Level Bridge throughout the year.

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The Edmonton Arts Council is a non-profit society and charitable organization that supports and promotes the arts community in Edmonton. The EAC works to increase the profile and involvement of arts and culture in all aspects of our community life.

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