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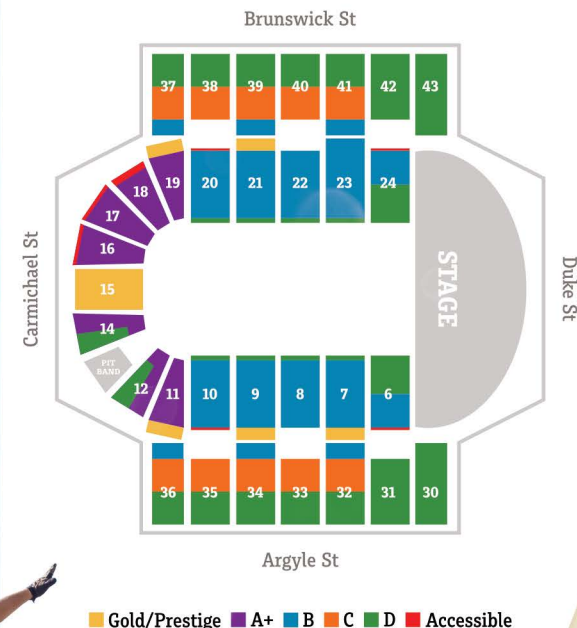
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LETTER

From the Managing Director

Drum roll, please! Ladies and gentlemen, we are pleased to share with you the cast of the 2018 Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo. From every corner of the globe, and every continent, we will bring together the world on one stage to celebrate our heroes and legends. Brazilian circus, German BMX'ers, Russian folk dancers, Jordanian warriors, Kenyan acrobats, bands, pipes, drums, dancers, flamenco, ukuleles and so much more! This is the Tattoo like you've never seen before!

If you haven't already purchased your tickets, don't delay, and please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Nova Scotia Tattoo Foundation. Your support is critical to supporting the long-term viability of the Tattoo as well as youth programming, such as the Tattoo Youth Pipes & Drums or Tickets for Youth. For more information, please visit www.nstatattoo.ca/support-us.

On behalf of the Tattoo's board of directors, staff, volunteers, cast and crew, we can't wait to call you home to our ruby jubilee production!

Jennie King



The Tattoo's **RUBY JUBILEE**

FIRST SHOW

① June 28th – June 29th
at the Halifax Metro Centre

② Held to celebrate the first
International Gathering of the
Clans held outside Scotland

③ Featured only Canadian
performers

④ 600 performers

40TH SHOW

① June 26th – July 2nd
at the Scotiabank Centre

② Will celebrate **HEROES AND
LEGENDS** from the end of the
First World War, the Battle of the
Atlantic, and Women in Service

③ Will feature a performing group
from every continent

④ 1,530 performers



VOLUNTEER WITH US!

If you're dedicated, passionate, and able to commit to a rigorous schedule, we'd love to have you join our team.

Volunteer period begins mid June and ends July 2nd

To complete your application, visit: nstatattoo.ca/volunteer or email volunteers@nstatattoo.ca



HEROES & LEGENDS



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and the Tattoo website for airdates throughout the spring!

7 DAYS CONTINENTS 1 TATTOO!

We're going around the world for our 40th show: **SEVEN DAYS, SEVEN CONTINENTS, AND ONE TATTOO!**

From June 26th to July 2nd, we'll feature performers from all continents (and maybe a routine for the penguins in Antarctica, if we're lucky!) in a show that will reach into all corners of the globe.

All the way from Sydney, Australia, **THE SCOTS COLLEGE PIPES & DRUMS** will perform with **THE MASSED PIPES & DRUMS**. These boys learn the pipes and drums at school and lead the Anzac Day Parade each year.

We've invited **CORES DA BAHIA**, a colourful Brazil circus group, to the show. They mix circus acts with Afro Brazilian dance, and they're a hit in South America!

THE GERMAN AIR FORCE BAND MÜNSTER plays everything from classical to marching, contemporary brass, pop and jazz, and has represented the German Armed Forces all over the world.

Don't try to copy **TEAM AIRTIME'S** tricks – these dirt bikers perform extreme stunts with difficult precision throughout Germany and the rest of Europe!



For the first time ever, we're welcoming performing groups from Jordan! **THE ROYAL CIRCASSIAN HONOUR GUARD** are the ceremonial guardsmen who are sworn to protect the King of Jordan and the Royal Family, while **THE SILENT DRILL TEAM OF THE ROYAL HONOUR GUARD** was formed in 1971, and in addition to performing, acts as a ceremonial unit that also trains units and provides security.

Kenya's **SIMBA ZAMBEZI ACROBATS** will perform fiery tricks at the Scotiabank Centre. Their specialties include skipping, limbo dancing with fire, human pyramids and other mind-blowing stunts!

THE NALMES STATE DANCERS, from Russia, perform traditional Circassian folk dances. They performed at the cultural program during the Sochi Winter Olympics!

THE COMBINED SINGAPORE POLICE FORCE BAND joins us. The Combined Band is one of the oldest in Singapore, and they've performed around the world!

America's "DIVISION'S OWN" **2D MARINE DIVISION BAND** performs out of North Carolina and has been active since the Second World War!

THE LANGLEY UKULELE ENSEMBLE, the energetic youth group from British Columbia, is here. They perform annually in Hawaii and their infectious spirit will have you dancing in your seat!

THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES, as always, will feature prominently in the show. Bands include the Stadacona Band of the Royal Canadian Navy, the National Band of the Naval Reserve, the Royal Canadian Artillery Band, and the Canadian Army Military Band.





HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE, Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency, and youth from the Royal Canadian Sea, Army, and Air Cadets will all appear in the show, and it wouldn't be a Tattoo without the Massed Pipes & Drums, the Tattoo Highland Dance Team, NABBSS musicians, the Fanfare Trumpets, the Tattoo Extras, the Tattoo Choir or the Children's Chorus!

TITANS GYMNASTS from Dartmouth will once again show off their tumbling and trampoline skills. **HARRY KNIGHT**, a 10-year-old flamenco guitar-playing prodigy from Alberta is coming, and he'll be accompanied **MEGAN LA AZULITA**, one of Atlantic Canada's finest flamenco dancers.

Vocal soloists include Nova Scotians **BRENNA CONRAD**, **MARCEL D'ENTREMONT**, **CYNDI CAIN**, **HEATHER RANKIN**, and **PO2 BRAD DAVIDGE**. **GRACE MACMASTER** appears as our fiddler!

This year, our overarching theme is **HEROES AND LEGENDS**. We're honouring the heroes and lionizing the legends who've paved the way, from the soldiers who helped end the First World War, those who fought during the Second World War's longest campaign – the Battle of the Atlantic – and to the many brave Women in Service who helped out at the Homefront and the front lines through to present-day women leading combat and peacekeeping missions.

We're so excited for the first truly international Tattoo and to recognize these heroes! Tickets are still on sale but they're selling fast – get the best seats before they're gone!

TICKETS

www.nstattoo.ca/tickets or by phone at **902 451 1221**

DEPTH CHARGE EXPLOSION DURING BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC CIRCA 1943

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Facts about the BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

- ① The Battle of the Atlantic was the longest campaign of the Second World War, lasting the entirety of the conflict.
- ② At the beginning of the Second World War, the Royal Canadian Navy had 13 vessels and 3,500 sailors. At the end, it was the third largest Allied navy with 373 ships and over 110,000 volunteer sailors including 6,500 women from the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Services.
- ③ The HMCS St. Laurent and the HMCS Saguenay, two Canadian destroyers, escorted the first trans-Atlantic convoy from Halifax to the UK on September 16, 1939.
- ④ 2,000 Canadian sailors were killed during the Second World War, most of them during the Battle of the Atlantic. Additionally, 752 airmen of the Royal Canadian Air Force were killed in this operation.

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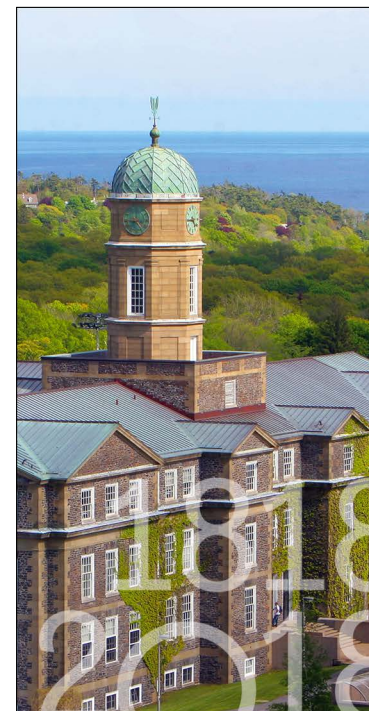
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We're doing tradition with a twist this Canada Day. Join us at the Halifax Commons where the **SKYHAWKS** parachute team will perform, and for Tattoos & Trucks, food vendors, bouncy castles, and more!

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HOW CAN YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

The Nova Scotia Tattoo Foundation provides financial and other support to the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Society. It also provides support to the Tattoo's programming and performing arts community to reflect and promote the historical, cultural, and multicultural heritage of Nova Scotia and of Canada.

YOUTH PIPES & DRUMS INITIATIVE

The Youth Pipes & Drums Initiative offers **FREE** instruction and training to youth aged 7 to 17 with the goal of keeping the tradition alive and feeding students into the Tattoo as part of either the Nova Scotia Pipes & Drums or the Black Watch Pipes & Drums. Your support is critical to the success of this program and covers the cost of instruction, instruments, rental space, music, and costumes.

TICKETS FOR YOUTH PROGRAM -

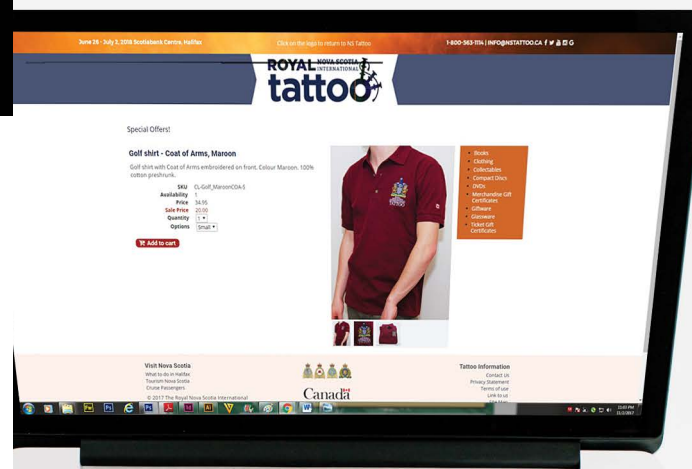
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The Tickets for Youth Program allows youth to see the Tattoo when they otherwise would not have had the opportunity. Tickets are provided to youth groups and clubs around the province.



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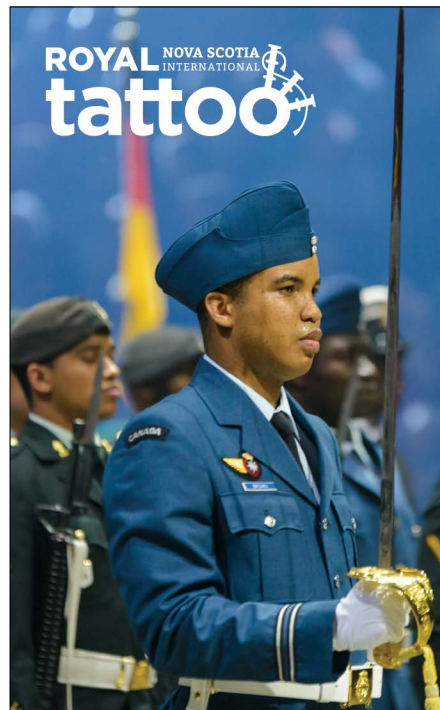
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LCol ELEANOR TAYLOR

66 My personal experience has been that the principles of leadership and team building apply equally to women as to men," said LCol Taylor in 2013 when the U.S. Defense Secretary announced that the military was lifting a ban on women serving in combat roles.

LCol Taylor, a Nova Scotian, enlisted in the Canadian Armed Forces in 1994. In a career that has seen her deployed to Kosovo and Bosnia, in 2010, she became the first woman to command a NATO Infantry Combat Team, when she led the Charles Company of the Royal Canadian Regiment in Kandahar.

In 2013, LCol Taylor was recognized as one of Canada's Most Powerful Women on a list that recognized 100 women across the country.

"...It is notable that the Canadian Forces and the Canadian Army, are 20 years ahead of most of its allies with respect to integrating women into combat trades. I happen to be one of the early beneficiaries of this policy."

NO. 7 CANADIAN STATIONARY (DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY) HOSPITAL - NURSING SISTERS

The No. 7 Canadian Stationary (Dalhousie University) Hospital left Canada for England on December 31, 1915. Within the year, they were in France, helping on the frontlines and treating injured soldiers on both sides of the conflict.

Composed mainly of Dalhousie students, staff members, and nursing sisters, the No. 7 served for the duration of the First World War and returned to Halifax in May 1919. In total, the No. 7 treated 60,000 patients.

The nursing sisters, 27 in all, were led by Matron Laura Hubley, a nurse who'd been president of the Graduate Nurses Association of Nova Scotia and later received the Royal Red Cross (1st Class) for distinction in military nursing.

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Halifax during the FIRST WORLD WAR

When war broke out and Canada entered the conflict on August 4, 1914, Halifax became an integral naval facility and port for the Allies, as well as a major shipment area.

Nova Scotia raised 39 units comprising 39,000 soldiers (against a population of 550,000) of the 620,000 Canadians who served in the War. Three Nova Scotia units saw combat during the war: The Royal Canadian Regiment, the 85th Battalion and the 25th Battalion.

The No. 2 Construction Battalion, the only predominantly black battalion in Canadian history, was raised in Nova Scotia on July 5, 1916, and sailed from Halifax on the *SS Southland* on March 28, 1917, arriving in Liverpool, England ten days later. Roughly half of the unit was comprised of Nova Scotian men.

The Halifax Explosion was the largest man-made explosion accidental explosion, and shattered the city on the morning of December 6, 1917, when the *SS Imo*, a Norwegian ship collided with the French *SS Mont Blanc*, killing 2,000 and injuring 9,000.

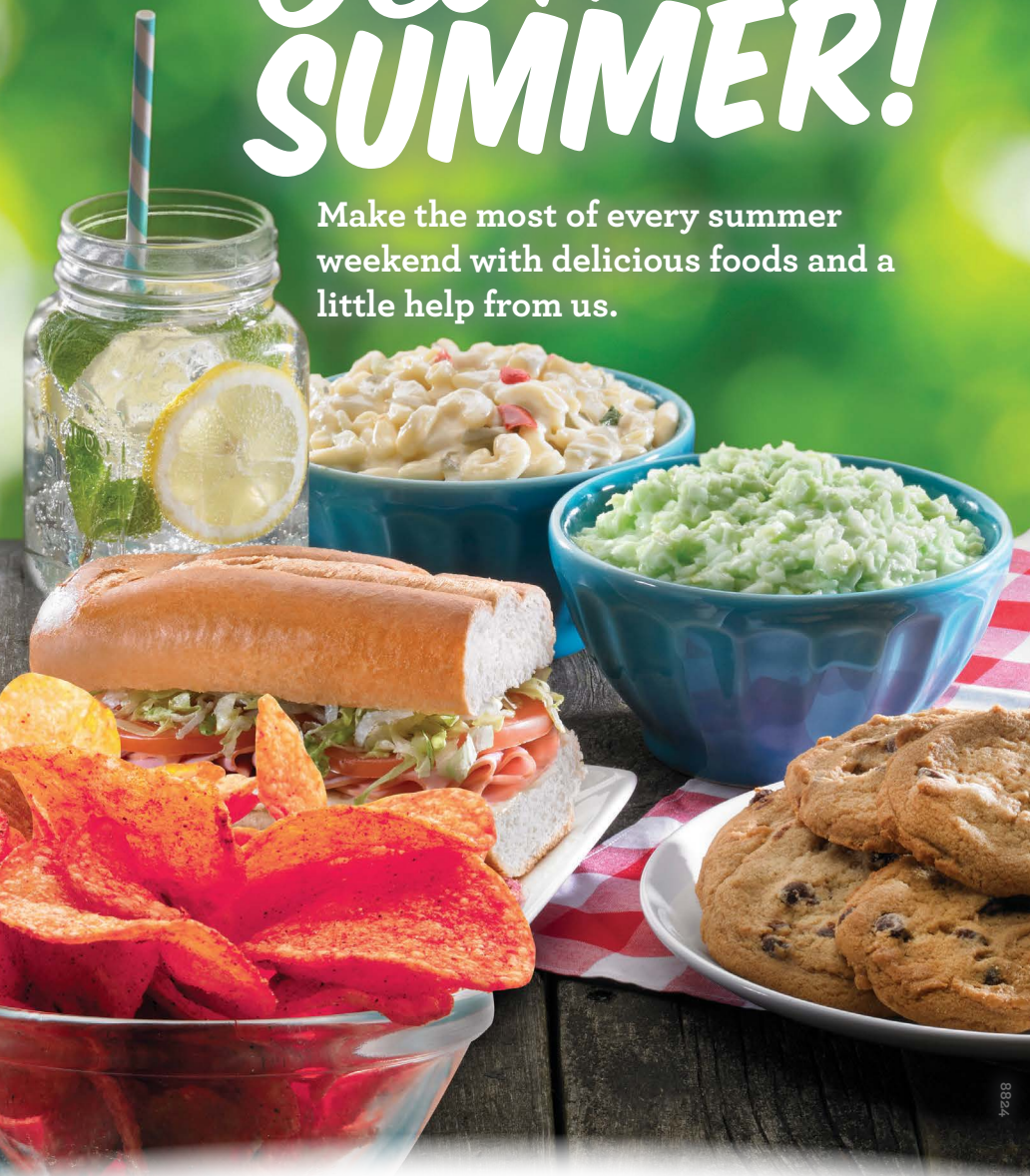
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Each one of these brave men that you see before you has suffered, and has returned to us now more or less broken, and I wish to say that we owe them a debt of gratitude that we are unable to pay... and I ask you to have the greatest consideration for them. We take off our hats to our **RETURNED HEROES.**”

- Deputy Mayor Henry S. Colwell recognizing the brave servicemen returning home on November 30th, 1916.

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