



Alex Mustakas • Artistic Director

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Rock of Ages

Book by Chris D'Arienzo

Arrangements and Orchestrations by Ethan Popp

May 8 - June 1, 2024

St Jacobs Country Playhouse

Waterloo, ON - The St Jacobs Country Playhouse 2024 Season launches on May 8 with a fan favourite, ***Rock of Ages***. Go back in time with this '80s hard rock musical which has big chords, big hair and an even bigger heart! After a sold-out run in Grand Bend in 2023, the music that ignited a generation is now rocking St. Jacobs!

“Rock of Ages is a goofy tribute to the ‘80s hard rock scene – it’s packed with incredible classic rock tunes, fun characters and some hilarious, adult comedy that epitomizes the hard-living lifestyle of the time,” says **Alex Mustakas**, Artistic Director of Drayton Entertainment. “This is definitely an opportunity to leave the kids at home and rock out to the music of your youth.”

ABOUT ROCK OF AGES

It’s 1987, and aspiring rocker Drew Boley meets and falls madly in love with Sherrie, a fresh-faced Midwesterner who has recently moved to Los Angeles to chase her movie star dreams. Will their stars rise? Will their love last? Find out in the worldwide phenomenon featuring 28 classic rock tunes like “Don’t Stop Believin’,” “We Built This City,” “The Final Countdown,” “Wanted Dead or Alive,” “Here I Go Again,” “Harden My Heart,” “Can’t Fight this Feeling,” and “I Want To Know What Love Is.”

ROCK OF AGES

The Company (in alphabetical order)

Caleb Ajao	Mayor/Ensemble
Josh Alcantara	Ja’Keith/Ensemble
Mariah Campos	Sherrie Christian
Vanessa Cobham	Waitress #1
Mark Harapiak	Dennis Dupree
Lakota Knuckle	Joey Primo/Ensemble

Lee MacDougall	Hertz Kleinman
Claire Mac Master	Regina Kuntz/Constance
Eric Martin	Franz Kleinman
Teddy Moynihan	Stacey Jaxx
Kristen Peace	Justice Charlier
Kale Penny	Drew Boley
Marisa Ricci	Ensemble
Stéphanie Visconti	Ensemble
Aaron Walpole	Lonny Barnett
Christine Watson	Ensemble

Creative Team

Alex Mustakas	Director
Lisa Stevens	Choreographer
Nico Rhodes	Music Director
Samantha Burson	Set Designer
Adrienne Pink	Costume Designer
Jeff JohnstonCollins	Lighting Designer
Allan McMillan	Sound Designer
Dan Payne	Projection Designer
Christine Watson	Assistant Choreographer
Paul Pembleton	Stage Manager
Stephanie Bignell	Assistant Stage Manager

The Band

Nico Rhodes	Music Director/Piano
Isaac Bell	Guitar II
Howard Gaul	Drums &Percussion
Junior Riggan	Bass
Daniel Steduto	Guitar I

When: May 8 - June 1, 2024

Where: St Jacobs Country Playhouse, 40 Benjamin Rd E, Waterloo N2V 2J9

Tickets: Regular: \$57.75; Discount Dates: \$47.25; Youth Under 20: \$35.70; Groups 10+: \$52.50;

Groups 20+: \$47.25. HST is additional for all tickets. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Box Office at 519-747-7788, toll-free at 1-855-drayton (372-9866), or online at draytonentertainment.com.

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ABOUT DRAYTON ENTERTAINMENT

Drayton Entertainment is one of Canada's largest and most successful not-for-profit arts organizations. The company operates seven venues across the province: the original Drayton Festival Theatre in Drayton, Huron Country Playhouse and Playhouse II in Grand Bend, King's Wharf Theatre in Penetanguishene, Hildebrand Schoolhouse Theatre St Jacobs in St. Jacobs, St. Jacobs Country Playhouse in Waterloo, and Hamilton Family Theatre Cambridge (formerly Dunfield Theatre Cambridge) in Cambridge. In 2023, it opened the Drayton Entertainment Youth Academy in Waterloo - a fully dedicated building for arts-based education.

ABOUT ST. JACOBS COUNTRY PLAYHOUSE

Located in the heart of the Market District and bordering the city of Waterloo, the St. Jacobs Country Playhouse is a source of tremendous pride for the community. Operating year-round, this venue features turn-of-the-century masonry and heavy timber character associated with traditional Mennonite architecture. The outdoor courtyard is a tranquil place to gather before the show or during intermission. The 2024 Season includes *Rock of Ages*, *Doris and Ivy in the Home*, *Kiss Me, Kate*, *An Inspector Calls*, and *A Christmas Carol: The Panto*.

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For more information, please contact:

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Venue, lead artist headshots, and show artwork are available [here](#).

Production photos will be available by Friday, May 10 in the same link.