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2017 has been a year of entertainment with festivals and celebrations from New York, Toronto and all the way to Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Events such as the Cariwest carnivals, the Hindu festival of colors earlier in the year, and the fringe festivals had kept the arts and cultures across the globe alive.

Our September 2017 Edition was delayed due to some unforeseen and unexpected problems. It takes a lot of planning to get pictures, articles and the designing and layout of the magazine, and when something unexpected happens it's not easy to get back on track and thus this edition was delayed and changes were made. Our Christmas Edition briefly discussed the problems that were encountered.

FRINGE FESTIVAL – EDMONTON



Fringe photos by F. Ally

Every summer, artists from around the globe arrives in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada at Old Strathscona just off White Avenue for the Fringe theatre festival, drawing and captivating large audiences on its outdoor and indoor stages.

Picture on the right - devotees to the arts taking in the live entertainment from the outdoor theatre as the performers bring their art to life.



FRINGE FESTIVAL – EDMONTON



PETER IRISH

Picture on the left demonstrates an incredible balancing act - skipping and bouncing two tennis balls at the same time. Peter Irish from America had captivated his audience with this amazing feat, while also involving some spectators in his show and adding some comedy. Irish stated that he was trained by a yogi to carry out some of the feats, demonstrating amazing focus and concentration. During one of his daring acts, he had his legs crossed, palms together at his chest and balancing a chair with fire on his forehead.

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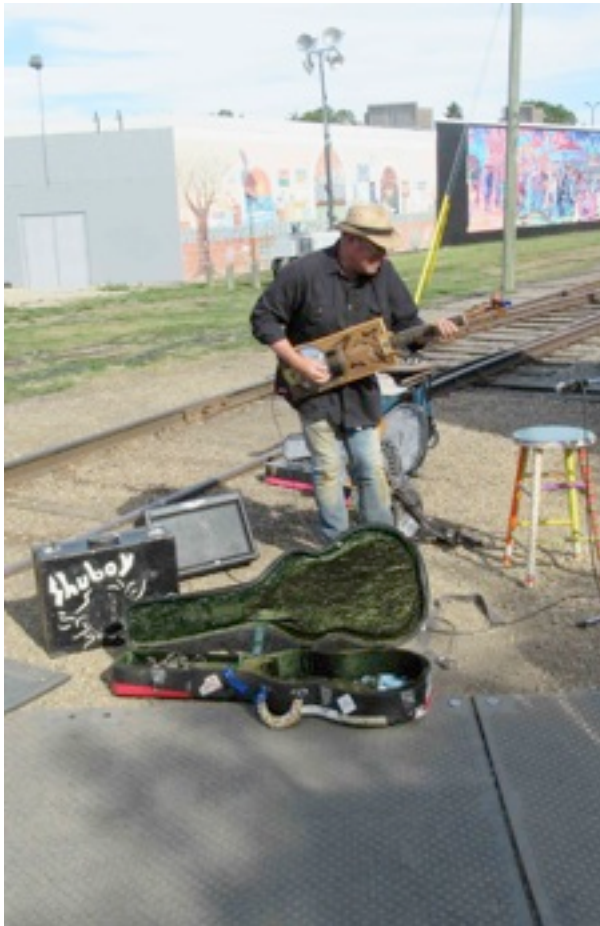
These pictures were taken on the last day of the festival, as the festival in Edmonton came to a close, and as many of the performers were ready to continue their journey across the world bringing theater to life.

Fringe

Artists from across the globe arrived in Edmonton.



Peter Irish



An amazing musician playing the blues



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CARIWEST IN EDMONTON

The Cariwest festival in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada had begun in the 1970s where many from the Caribbean, including Guyana in South America, came together to reminisce on backhome carnivals. You will always find the Jamaica and Trinidad floats at this carnival. Alberta Friends of Guyana Assoc. (Edmonton) had a float in the year 2000, and the Guyana organization from Calgary also have joined the Cariwest carnival a few times.

Over the years, other cultures with their floats, music and dancers have also joined in the parades, dancing their way down to the city hall, where they would celebrate and enjoying may tastes and drinks from the Caribbean and other cultures.

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The Guyana Canadian
PEPPERPOT CLUB

Location: Edmonton, Alberta, Canada



On September 19, 2017, during our pot luck dinner while family and friends played dominoes and also reminiscing about the days of old and some good times, some discussions had taken place amongst a few on having more get together. During the domino games, a favorite past time for Guyanese, it was on this day that the creation for The Guyana Canadian Peppercup Club was decided on but later given the name, keeping the Guyanese culture and celebrations alive in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, amongst family, friends and relatives.

During the discussions, it was decided that we would have a domino completion during the year, along with playing pool and some other games. We now have the **Peppercup Domino Club**.



JOIN IN THE FUN

A family oriented club

THE PEPPERPOT CLUB is geared towards family, where children and the elderly will always be an important part.

Goals

We also have some humanitarian goals, such as collecting clothes for the needy, and doing some soup and sandwich lunches during the year, along with some picnics or barbecues. A pepperpot cookout competition is planned for May 26, 2018 on Guyana Independence Day, and of course we'll be celebrating on Canada day as Canada is the home for many of us.

We have a book club, **Pepperpot Book Club**, where we have some books and magazines can be signed out and there will be a fee for late returns, which will go towards our events. Other events are being discussed. We plan to have a kite building competition day, where contenders will build kites, reminiscing of Easter in Guyana.

BAMBOO FOLK GROUP

Folk songs tell stories of the past, and some of the songs are a little sexist, but they tell stories of the past, like back in the 1800s. For us it's about the fun, reminiscing and enjoying our time together. This group plays and sings a mixture of folk songs, some Bollywood classics, and during the games and dinner, some instrumentals Bollywood and other instrumental songs are played.

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