

# **BILLY BOB PRODUCTIONS**

# MEDIA RELEASE

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#### ++ Press Release: LAST WALTZ 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SHOW ANNOUNCED FOR NOVEMBER 25th AT THE CORONA THEATRE, TICKETS NOW ON-SALE++

For Immediate Release:

Fresh off the sold-out Bob Dylan 75th Birthday Tribute Show at Club Soda, Mitch Melnick's Billy Bob Productions is back with an event honouring one of the most important nights in Rock 'n' Roll history. The Last Waltz 40th Anniversary Celebration will take place on Friday, November 25th at The Corona Theatre in Little Burgundy, Montreal.

Forty years ago, The Band staged their farewell concert at famed promoter Bill Graham's Winterland Theatre in San Fransisco, California. Joining Robbie Robertson, Levon Helm, Rick Danko, Richard Manuel and Garth Hudson on-stage that night were greats like Ronnie Hawkins, Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, Eric Clapton, Muddy Waters and Van Morrison - all of whom were friends or mentors of The Band. The marathon concert was filmed by iconic director Martin Scorcese and later released as The Last Waltz. It remains the greatest concert film in history.

Billy Bob Productions will recreate the spirit of that night with help from some of the finest musicians in Montreal, as well as acts from The Band's home province of Ontario. Participating musicians include: Arcade Fire's Tim Kingsbury leading a supergroup with Hotel2Tango's Howard Bilerman (Arcade Fire's drummer on their first full length LP "Funeral") alongside country singer Angela Desveaux, Juno Award winning rocker Matt Mays, Tom Wilson from Junkhouse, Blackie & The Rodeo Kings, and his most recent project Lee Harvey Osmond, acclaimed Toronto indie band The Wooden Sky, Montreal's favourite son and guitar virtuoso Shane Murphy and his band, singer-songwriter Chris Velan and his band, Mack MacKenzie of alt-country favourites Three O'Clock Train, multi-talented singer/guitarist/dancer/actress Andrea Ramolo who is one-half of Toronto's rootsy folk/pop duo Scarlett Jane, rising stars John Jacob Magistery, and Daniel Moscovitch's new group High & Mighty. And likely a surprise or two...

"The Band released Music From Big Pink and it changed my life" – Eric Clapton

## BILLY BOB PRODUCTIONS PROUDLY PRESENTS: THE LAST WALTZ 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

## FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25th THE CORONA THEATRE 2490 Notre Dame W. 7:30 (Doors 6:30)

Tickets (\$35 GA, seats available on balcony) now on-sale at The Corona Theatre box-office, online at <u>www.theatrecorona.ca</u>, at the Bell Centre box office or by phone at 514-931-2088.

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