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#### Actors / Acteurs

Dylis Ayafor – Mary Ann Shadd Cary
David Davis – Speaker, House of Commons
Tifanni Kenny – Harriet Tubman
Darin Kyle – Booker T. Washington
Sylvain Landry – Speaker, House of Commons & John Newton
Jonathan Mesidor – Ignatius Sancho
Jason Gullo Mullins - Tecumseh
Ian Quick – William Wilberforce
Steeven Sampassa – Richard Pierpont
Simone Shepherd – Viola Desmond

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#### Cast / Artistes

Peter Beaudoin - Musical Director and Drum Set
Ed Bimm - Keys/Grand Piano
Ken Kanwisher - Upright Bass
René Lavoie - Sax/Flute
Gino Scaffidi - Electric Guitar

Darin Kyle - 2001 World Tap Dancing Champion

Michael Curtis Hanna, Deborah Davis - Lead Vocals

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**Special Guests:** 

Canadian Olympic Hurdler, Sekou Kaba - Narrator CTV News Anchor / Actor, Stefan Keyes - Vocals Sheril Shaw - Vocals Brad Picody - Native Drum Ottawa English Poet Laureate - Jamaal Jackson Rogers Tap Dancer - Bernadette Bélanger

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### First Set / Première partie

Spoken Word Poetry/We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder
Amazing Grace/Swing Low Sweet Chariot/
Oh When the Saints
The Entertainer (instrumental)
Basin Street Blues
Birth of the Blues
Sweet Georgia Brown (instrumental)
God Bless the Child (instrumental)

St. Louis Blues
What a Wonderful World (instrumental)
I'll Never Smile Again/Chic Chic Boum
Summertime/C'est si bon
Don't Mean a Thing/Too Darn Hot/Tisket a Tasket
Joint is Jumping
Sing Sing

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#### Second set / Deuxième partie

Spoken Word Poetry
Cute (Tap competition with drums)
Jump Jive and Wail
Hymn to Freedom / Swinging Shepherd Blues / Crazy From the Heat
I Love Being Here With You

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#### **Finale**

A Tribute to Motown / Un hommage à Motown

Do Right Woman
I'll Be There
What's Going On
Tracks of My Tears
Nowhere to Run
For Once in My Life
Chain of Fools
Respect
Baby I Need Your Lovin
Stop in the Name of Love
Ain't No Mountain High Enough

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#### Behind the Scenes / Support artistique

Louis & Deborah Davis – Executive Producers
Peter Forêt & Steve Boudreau – Arrangers
Linda Casselman – Administrative Support
Jean Langlois – Technical Support & Artistic Consultant
Mike Mullin – Sound Engineer (Pro Audio Sound)
Brad Denys – Artistic Consultant
Peter Ventura – Graphic Designer
Kita Szpak – Media (KS Communications)
Shannon Peck – Social Media and Marketing Consultant
Simone Davis – Research & Social Media
Mike Cherun – Website Designer (Designer in a Box)
Michel Bayard – Website Designer

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Micheline Mathé - Wardrobe/Costume Design Alina Sauve - Makeup/Wigger Mary Buell - Hair/Wigger/Wardrobe Ragtime Vintage Clothing - Wardrobe CMOD - Wardrobe Anne-Marie Loiselle - Wardrobe

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