



Manitoba Theatre Centre The John Hirsch Theatre at the MTC Mainstage* Performance History

MTC Mainstage: 1958 – today

The Manitoba Theatre Centre's roots can be traced to the merging of Theatre 77, founded by Tom Hendry and John Hirsch, and Winnipeg Little Theatre in 1958, forming Canada's first regional theatre. MTC's first ten seasons were produced at the Dominion Theatre, just off the corner of Portage and Main (now the site of the Richardson Building). In 1968, MTC moved into the Centennial Concert Hall at 55 Main Street, where it spent the 1968/69 and 1969/70 seasons. The present site of MTC at 174 Market Avenue was completed in 1970, and the first production in its new home was Bertolt Brecht's *A Man's a Man*, directed by founding Artistic Director John Hirsch.

DOMINION THEATRE

1958/59

A Hatful of Rain
Blithe Spirit
Teach Me How to Cry
The Glass Menagerie
Born Yesterday
Ring Round the Moon
The Diary of Anne Frank
Of Mice and Men

BEACON THEATRE

1959/60

Solid Gold Cadillac
Tea and Sympathy
On Borrowed Time
Reclining Figure
Look Back in Anger
Volpone
The Teahouse of the August Moon
Anastasia

DOMINION THEATRE

1960/61

Mr. Roberts
Gaslight
A Streetcar Named Desire
The Biggest Thief in Town
Dark of the Moon
Juno and the Paycock
Visit to a Small Planet
The Fourposter
Bus Stop
Rope
The Tender Trap
The Tunnel of Love
An Evening with Chekhov

1961/62

The Lady's Not for Burning
Speaking of Murder
The Playboy of the Western World
Arms and the Man
The Boyfriend
Separate Tables
Thieves' Carnival
Look Ahead!

1962/63

Bonfires of 1962
Once More with Feeling
An Enemy of the People
Mrs. Warren's Profession
Pal Joey
Summer of the Seventeenth Doll
The Caretaker
A Very Close Family

1963/64

Private Lives
Pygmalion
The Hostage
A Midsummer Night's Dream
Little Mary Sunshine
Five Finger Exercise
The Gazebo
Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

1964/65

Hay Fever
All About Us
Mother Courage
The Taming of the Shrew
Irma la Douce
Heartbreak House
Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?
The Typists and the Tiger

1965/66

The Private Ear and The Public Eye
The Importance of Being Earnest
Andorra
The Tempest
The Threepenny Opera
Nicholas Romanov
The Fantasticks
The Dance of Death

1966/67

Charley's Aunt
The Rainmaker
Galileo
A Funny Thing Happened on the
Way to the Forum
Romeo and Juliet
Lulu Street
Luv

1967/68 Major Barbara Oh! What a Lovely War Antigone/Sganarelle The Three Sisters The Fantasticks A Thousand Clowns A Delicate Balance	1973/74 You Never Can Tell A Day in the Death of Joe Egg The Dybbuk Godspell The Plough and the Stars Indian and Black Comedy	1980/81 Billy Bishop Goes to War Jitters Balconville Grease The Elephant Man As You Like It
MANITOBA CENTENNIAL CONCERT HALL 1968/69 Fiddler on the Roof A Man for All Seasons Hotel Paradiso Cactus Flower	1974/75 The Sunshine Boys The Cherry Orchard The Boyfriend Forget-Me-Not Lane Red Emma, Queen of the Anarchists Trelawny of the 'Wells'	1981/82 Encore Brell Candida The Black Bonspiel of Wullie MacCrimmon The Taming of the Shrew The Little Foxes The Importance of Being Earnest
1969/70 Man of La Mancha Cabaret Marat/Sade You Can't Take it With You After the Fall	1975/76 Cyrano de Bergerac The Price Equus Company Of Mice and Men Private Lives	1982/83 Nicholas Nickleby Blood Relations The Man Who Came to Dinner Richard III The Three Musketeers Mass Appeal
174 MARKET AVENUE 1970/71 A Man's a Man Long Day's Journey into Night Salvation Hobson's Choice War and Peace Little Murders	1976/77 Twelfth Night All Over Relatively Speaking Dames at Sea The Crucible She Stoops to Conquer	1983/84 The Mikado A Tale of Two Cities Much Ado About Nothing The Duchess of Malfi Bedroom Farce The Dining Room
1971/72 What the Butler Saw Alice Through the Looking Glass The Homecoming The Sun and the Moon Lady Frederick The Comedy of Errors	1977/78 The Last Chalice Knock Knock The Contractor The Night of the Iguana Measure for Measure The Royal Hunt of the Sun	1984/85 Amadeus Old World Quiet in the Land Born Yesterday Quartermaine's Terms Tartuffe
1972/73 A Streetcar Named Desire Sleuth A Thurber Carnival Hedda Gabler Guys and Dolls Hamlet Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead	1978/79 A Midsummer Night's Dream A Doll's House How the Other Half Loves Death of a Salesman Veronica's Room A Bee in her Bonnet	1985/86 Barnum The Real Thing Tymbaly Talking Dirty Hamlet Filthy Rich
	1979/80 Travesties Artichoke Absurd Person Singular The Seagull The Diary of Anne Frank Dracula	1986/87 Brighton Beach Memoirs A Christmas Carol Mirandolina Doc I'm Not Rappaport The Foreigner

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* The MTC Mainstage theatre was formally dedicated to MTC co-founder and first artistic director John Hirsch at the 50th Anniversary Homecoming celebration on May 11, 2008.

1987/88
 Royalty is Royalty
 101 Miracles of Hope Chance
 Ten Little Indians
 You Never Can Tell
 The Road to Mecca
 Morning's at Seven

1988/89
 B-Movie, The Play
 1949
 Falstaff
 Woman in Mind
 A View From the Bridge
 Brass Rubbings

1989/90
 Broadway Bound
 Emerald City
 Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
 The Mousetrap
 Master Class
 You Can't Take It With You

1990/91
 The Heidi Chronicles
 Macbeth
 Noises Off
 Sherlock Holmes and the Speckled
 Band
 Of the Fields, Lately
 Les Misérables

1991/92
 M. Butterfly
 Hedda Gabler
 Not Wanted on the Voyage
 Lend Me a Tenor
 Shirley Valentine
 The Miracle Worker

1992/93
 Another Time
 A Midsummer Night's Dream
 Transit of Venus
 Arsenic & Old Lace
 Democracy
 Lost in Yonkers

1993/94
 Dancing at Lughnasa
 A Christmas Carol – The Musical
 Wait Until Dark
 Henceforward
 Hay Fever
 Wingfield's Folly

1994/95
 Oleanna
 The Sisters Rosensweig
 The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of
 Denmark
 Six Degrees of Separation
 If We Are Women
 Homeward Bound

1995/96
 Keely & Du
 Season's Greetings
 Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde – A Love
 Story
 Atlantis
 Cyrano de Bergerac
 Little Shop of Horrors – The
 Musical

1996/97
 Picasso at the Lapin Agile
 Arcadia
 Death of a Salesman
 There Goes the Bride
 The Glace Bay Miners' Museum
 Travels With My Aunt

1997/98
 A Perfect Ganesh
 Master Class
 Office Hours
 The Crucible
 Three Tall Women
 Sylvia

1998/99
 Cabaret
 Of Mice and Men
 Proposals
 Blessings in Disguise
 Billy Bishop Goes to War
 Lady, Be Good!

1999/2000
 Art
 King Lear
 2 Pianos 4 Hands
 A Streetcar Named Desire
 Wingfield Unbound
 The Overcoat

2000/01
 To Kill A Mockingbird
 The Complete Works of William
 Shakespeare (abridged)
 Camelot
 The Weir
 The Drawer Boy
 Larry's Party

2001/02
 The Wave
 The School for Wives
 Syncopation
 Vinci
 Stones in His Pockets
 The Rainmaker

2002/03
 Proof
 Dracula
 Evita
 The Philadelphia Story
 Over the River and Through the
 Woods
 Richard III

2003/04
 Cookin' at the Cookery: The Music
 & Times of Alberta Hunter
 The Diary of Anne Frank
 My Fair Lady
 Tuesdays with Morrie
 The Winslow Boy
 Crimes of the Heart

2004/05
 Humble Boy
 Night of the Iguana
 Much Ado About Nothing
 Trying
 The Dresser
 Mamma Mia!

2005/06
 Crowns
 A Christmas Carol
 Guys and Dolls
 The Innocent Eye Test
 The Clean House
 Driving Miss Daisy

2006/07

The Tempest
Orpheus Descending
The Rocky Horror Show
Half Life
The Constant Wife
Over the Tavern

2007/08

Our Town
The Importance of Being Earnest
Fiddler on the Roof
Shakespeare's Dog
The Syringa Tree
Dreamgirls

2008/09

Pride and Prejudice
Medea
Jitters
The Blonde, the Brunette and the
Vengeful Redhead
Doubt, A Parable
The Boys in the Photograph

2009/10

Strong Poison
It's a Wonderful Life
The Drowsy Chaperone
Mother Courage and Her Children
Educating Rita
Steel Magnolias

2010/11

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
White Christmas
Brief Encounter
The Shunning
Calendar Girls
The 39 Steps