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St. Clair Catholic DSB and the Chatham Capitol Theatre Present Two Performances of *Twin Flames*

Learning continues following the National Day of Truth & Reconciliation

On Wednesday, October 11, the Chatham Capitol Theatre, in partnership with the St. Clair Catholic District School Board, welcomes Twin Flames for a live school performance. The husband-and-wife duo - Chelsey June, Métis (Algonquin Cree heritage) from Ottawa, and Jaaji, Inuk and Mohawk from Nunavik and Kahnawake – has garnered more than 40 awards and nominations, including the Canadian Folk Music Award in 2022 for Vocal Group of the Year.

Chelsey June and Jaaji, who perform in English, Inuktitut and French, with both traditional Indigenous and western instruments, will present an interactive performance that features original songs, thought-provoking stories and an introduction to Canada's past, present and future from Indigenous perspectives. Students will learn about realities faced by Inuit and Indigenous peoples today and throughout history, and the moments in our past that changed their ways of life.

On **Thursday, October 12 at 8:00 p.m.,** in a program open to the general public, Twin Flames will perform stories and songs at the Chatham Capitol Theatre in a mix of English, French, and Inuktitut, as they honour their ancestors and relay stories from coast to coast in their music. Indie-rock, synth-rock and folk-pop are just a few of the ways Twin Flames' music has been described – their unique sound, which blends Indigenous Spirit flutes, traditional drums and western instruments, defies classification.

September 30 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day. It is day to honor residential school survivors, family members of survivors, and to remember the children, who never made it home. Individuals, groups and organizations are called to stand in solidarity and to take action to uphold the Truth and Reconciliation report's 94 calls to action. The Twin Flames presentation, two weeks after Orange Shirt Day, is an opportunity to continue learning about the intergenerational impacts of residential schools, and to celebrate inspiring Indigenous musicians in an engaging experience.

The Chatham Capitol Theatre would like to extend a special thank you to **CK Employment** and Social Services and the St. Clair Catholic District School Board for providing funding in support of this event. Their gracious support has resulted in special pricing of \$5 per student for the daytime performance.

Performance Details:

A performance for School groups will be given at 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, October 11, followed by an evening performance the next day, Thursday, October 12 at 8:00 p.m. for the general public.

Tickets:

For tickets to the evening performance, visit www.cktickets.com or call 519-354-8338 or toll-free 1-866-807-7770; tickets can also be purchased at the CKtickets Box Office located at the Chatham Cultural Centre, 75 William St. N. Chatham, ON. (open Monday-Friday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm). Teachers wishing to book their class into the 11:00 a.m. performance should register their class here or contact Cortnee Goure at cortnee.goure@sccdsb.net or at 519.627.6762 x10231.

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