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STRATFORD FESTIVAL AND HONOURING

DONNA FEORE

MON, SEPT 29, 2025

6:30 P.M.

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THE STRATFORD FESTIVAL

North America's largest repertory theatre company is in its 73rd season, presenting 11 plays in four theatres and attracting an audience of over 450,000 patrons. The playbill ranges from the classics of William Shakespeare – including the world première of a production of *Macbeth* directed by internationally-acclaimed Robert Lepage – to *Anne of Green Gables* to new plays exploring ancient Troy and *The Art of War*.

2025 LEGACY HONOREE DONNA FEORE


In her 29th season at the Stratford Festival, acclaimed director and choreographer Donna Feore will be bringing the musical *Annie* to vibrant life. Her productions at Stratford have included many audience favourites including *Something Rotten!*, *Chicago*, *Billy Elliot the Musical*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Rocky Horror Show* (the longest running show in Festival history), *The Music Man*, *Guys and Dolls*, *The Madwoman of Chaillot*, *A Chorus Line*, *The Sound of Music*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Crazy for You*, *Charlie Brown*, *Cyrano de Bergerac*, *Oklahoma!* and *Oliver!*

As director and choreographer, she presented Goodspeed Opera House's critically acclaimed world première and highest-grossing show, Summer Stock, newly titled *Get Happy* (Connecticut Critics Circle Award); *The Griswolds' Broadway Vacation* (5th Avenue, Seattle); and *The Hockey Sweater: A Musical* (National Arts Centre, Segal Centre).

Her directing credits include *Bernhardt Hamlet* (Goodman Theatre, Chicago); Mendelssohn's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (National Arts Centre Orchestra); *Yorkville* (Blyth Festival); *The Very Best of Broadway* with Audra McDonald and Marvin Hamlisch; *Rock 'N' Roll* and *It's a Wonderful Life* (Canadian Stage); *Lecture on the Weather* and *A Soldier's Tale* with F. Murray Abraham (Detroit Symphony Orchestra); *Mozart: A Life in Letters* (Toronto Symphony Orchestra); and *Annie Get Your Gun* (Massey Hall).

She was the creative producer/director of *Life Reflected*, a multimedia orchestral production (world première with the National Arts Centre Orchestra with Canadian and European tours). Donna was the choreographer of *Siegfried* (Canadian Opera Company/Opéra National de Lyon) and *Tosca*, *Red Emma* and *Oedipus Rex* (Dora Award) for the Canadian Opera Company and the Edinburgh Festival Main Stage.

Selected film and television credits include *Politics is Cruel*, *Mean Girls*, *Eloise*, *Martin and Lewis*, *Stormy Weather*, *Romeo and Juliette*, *Don Giovanni* and *Feast of All Saints*.



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THE TORONTO STAR

The 2025 Gala will celebrate both the extraordinary career of Donna Feore and the Stratford Festival. Held in the ballroom of the Four Seasons Hotel, the gala evening will include the best of Stratford – music, entertainment and tributes – with Festival artists and special guests.

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GOLD TABLE

\$40,000 USD

Table of 10, premier location
Exclusive reception with
Donna Feore

SILVER TABLE

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Table of 10, central location
Exclusive reception with
Donna Feore

BRONZE TABLE

\$12,500 USD

Table of 10

VIP SINGLE TICKETS

\$2,500 USD each

Central seating at dinner
Exclusive reception with
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SINGLE TICKETS

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2025 LEGACY HONOREE DONNA FEORE

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