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### ***28th annual Festival of the Sound opens this weekend***

**(Parry Sound, Ontario...July 16, 2007)** The 28th annual Festival of the Sound opens on Friday, July 20th at the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts.

Some of the most renowned musicians in the world will be on stage in Parry Sound until August 12th, including James Ehnes, James Sommerville, the St. Lawrence String Quartet, the Gryphon Trio, Russell Braun, Mary Lou Fallis, the Hannaford Street Silver Band, Howard Cable, the Elmer Iseler Singers and artistic director James Campbell.

More than 90 musicians and ensembles will participate in almost 70 concerts and events, as Georgian Bay becomes summer's classical music destination.

Considered one of the premiere chamber music festivals in Canada, the three-week event is an incredible opportunity to hear artists of the caliber of James Ehnes or Russell Braun – who usually appear in large, international concert halls with major symphony orchestras – in the more intimate setting of the Stockey Centre.

In addition to the morning, noon and evening classical concerts, the festival also has jazz, swing and world music. The beautiful Sunset on the Bay cruises will feature guitar (July 22), Celtic harp (July 29th), and jazz (August 6th) aboard the Island Queen. Special event concerts are also happening at the Inn at Manitou and the Ridge at Manitou.

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For full concert listings for the 2007 Festival of the Sound, July 20th to August 12th, contact the Festival box office at 1-866-364-0061/705-746-2410, visit the Stockey Centre box office from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or visit [www.festivalofthesound.ca](http://www.festivalofthesound.ca).

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***“Intimate music in a spectacular setting.”***

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