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Brantford Symphony goes Motown



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Jeans 'n Classics singer Lis Soderberg will perform with the Brantford Symphony Orchestra as part of Sisters Soul on Oct. 14.

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The Brantford Symphony Orchestra will kick off its 2012-2013 season with the 1960s Motown stylings of Aretha Franklin and Tina Turner and the sounds of 1980s pop musicians Annie Lennox and the Bangles.

London-based Jeans 'n Classics will bring its rock 'n' roll band and trio of female voices to the Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts stage to ring in the new season alongside the BSO with a performance called Sisters Soul on Oct. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

"It's a great musical sound and concept to have an orchestra with a rock band," said Jeans 'n Classics founder Peter Brennan. "It's not elevator music or Mantovani-esque treatments of pop music. It's the real deal and you don't hear what we do every day."

The concert will feature R&B, pop and Motown classics punctuated with orchestral music. The entire show focuses on strong female voices from the 1960s to 1990s.

"When you speak of classic rock or classic pop, everyone's mind goes to Queen, Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin," Brennan said. "It's important to us to really get our female side out there."

The Jeans 'n Classics show is only the beginning for the BSO, which is offering a full season of shows in a variety of genres.

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The season ends as it began, with a performance by Jeans 'n Classics featuring the music of U2 on May 31 at the Sanderson Centre.

Visit www.brantfordsymphony.ca or call 519-759-8781 for ticket information.