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An Arts Club Theatre Company production ON TOUR

MOM'S THE WORD 3: NEST ½ EMPTY

By Jill Daum, Alison Kelly, Robin Nichol, Barbara Pollard, and Deborah Williams

IN BRIEF An Arts Club favourite returns for a B.C. tour from October 5 to November 11, 2017. The latest instalment from the **Mom's the Word Collective**, *Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty* features a new generation of laughs. Tour details are available at artsclub.com.

VANCOUVER, B.C. — From the world-renowned creative team behind the Mom's the Word series comes a new chapter in their stories of family and fracas. Their kids are grown, their marriages have “evolved,” and their bodies are backfiring. Life doesn't get any prettier, but it never strays far from ludicrous or poignant as the moms continue to mine their personal history for every embarrassing detail. Filled with insights, secrets, and ribald humour, this new show from the moms you love is both hysterical and deeply touching.

Celebrating the incredible success of the Mom's the Word series, director **Wayne Harrison** says, “This group of women changed the theatrical landscape, not just in Canada, but on several continents. Last year alone, productions toured in Scotland, Germany, and Canada.”

First conceived in 1993 by a group of Vancouver actors who had become “exhausted, bedraggled, amateur mothers,” *Mom's the Word* became an immediate hit. The first show premiered at the Arts Club in 1995, with the moms sharing their experiences of new parenthood. In 2005, *Mom's the Word 2: Unhinged* chronicled the good, the bad, and the ugly of raising teenagers and the moms' own aging. Then, in 2009, both shows were combined to produce *Mom's the Word: Remixed*. In the latest instalment, *Mom's the Word 3: Nest ½ Empty*, the moms recount the trials and tribulations of adult children. Featuring rocky relationships, parenting mishaps, and AquaFit crushes, the moms are back and ready to talk about it all. The moms say it best: “We gotta keep going, so we may as well laugh while we can!”

“*Mom's the Word 3* captivates with its heart, humour, and honesty” —*The Georgia Straight*

Starring **Jill Daum, Alison Kelly, Barbara Pollard, Deborah Williams, and Beatrice Zeilinger**
Original Director **Wayne Harrison** Set and Costume Designer **Pam Johnson** Lighting Designer (Original)
Marsha Sibthorpe Lighting Designer (On Tour) **Ted Roberts** Sound and Projection Designer **Kate De Lorme** Stage Manager **Pamela Jakobs** Assistant Stage Manager **April Starr Land**

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Venue and Contact Info	Date
NORTH VANCOUVER The BlueShore at Cap 604.990.7810	Oct 5, 2017
WEST VANCOUVER Kay Meek Centre 604.981.6335	Oct 6 & 7, 2017
NEW WESTMINSTER Anvil Centre 604.521.5050	Oct 8, 2017
SURREY Surrey Arts Centre 604.501.5566	Oct 10–22, 2017
COQUITLAM Evergreen Cultural Centre 604.927.6555	Oct 24–29, 2017 *Performance added Oct 27 at 4 pm
CHILLIWACK Chilliwack Cultural Centre 604.391.SHOW (7469)	Oct 30, 2017
MISSION Clarke Theatre 1.877.299.1644	Nov 1, 2017
MAPLE RIDGE The ACT Arts Centre 604.476.2787	Nov 2 & 3, 2017
BURNABY Shadbolt Centre for the Arts 604.205.3000	Nov 4 & 5, 2017
VERNON Vernon and District Performing Arts Centre 250.549.SHOW (7469)	Nov 8, 2017
CRANBROOK Key City Theatre 250.426.7006	Nov 10, 2017
NELSON Capitol Theatre 250.352.6363	Nov 11, 2017

ABOUT THE ARTS CLUB

The Arts Club Theatre Company, founded in 1964, is Canada's largest not-for-profit urban theatre company. Led by Artistic Managing Director Bill Millerd and Executive Director Peter Cathie White, it offers professional theatre at three venues—the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, Granville Island Stage, and the Goldcorp Stage at the BMO Theatre Centre—as well as on tour throughout the province.

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