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CANADA'S WALK OF FAME ANNOUNCES 2014 INDUCTEES

- Friday, September 19: Tickets for Canada's Walk of Fame 2014 go on sale -*
- Saturday, October 18: Yellow carpet star unveiling and tribute show, Sony Centre for the Performing Arts-*
- Friday, December 19: Televised show to air nationally on Global -*

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Toronto, Ontario) September 16, 2014 – Canada's Walk of Fame, along with National Premier Partner RBC and Shaw Media and in partnership with RBC® Visa Infinite‡ Avion®, announced today at a press conference in Toronto, the names of six new inductees. These outstanding Canadians, who have excelled in their respective fields and made notable contributions to Canada's cultural legacy, will walk the Canada's Walk of Fame Yellow Carpet, sponsored by Sun Life Financial, and will be celebrated on Saturday, October 18 at the Sony Centre for the Performing Arts in Toronto. Tickets to the star-studded tribute show are available beginning Friday, September 19th at 10 a.m. To purchase tickets, go to sonycentre.ca or call 1-855-872-SONY (1-855-872-7669). The Canada's Walk of Fame televised special will be broadcast nationally on Global on Friday, December 19 at 8 p.m. ET.

The following remarkable individuals will join Canada's Walk of Fame's long list of celebrated Canadians, bringing the total number of inductees to 157:

- **Louise Arbour**, Former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, International Lawyer
- **The Band**, Musicians
- **Jeff Healey**, Musician (Cineplex Legends Award)
- **Rachel McAdams**, Actor
- **Ryan Reynolds**, Actor
- **Hayley Wickenheiser**, Athlete

“We are proud to welcome these six new outstanding honourees to Canada’s Walk of Fame,” said Melanie (Berry) Hurley, CEO of Canada’s Walk of Fame. “Each have impacted Canada’s social and cultural heritage across the country and around the world. They are inspiring and remind us that anything can be achieved with hard work, dedication, passion and integrity. They are ambassadors of Canada and instill pride in our country.”

Media Note: For high-resolution photography and for biographical information of each inductee, visit the press section at www.canadaswalkoffame.com. Contact Holmes PR media contacts for username and password if required.

Also announced yesterday, acclaimed R&B sensation **The Weeknd** will receive this year’s Allan Slaight Award that recognizes young, inspirational Canadians who have achieved international success. The Weeknd will be honoured along with this year’s inductees during the Canada’s Walk of Fame show, which will feature special guest performances and celebrity presenters. The host of the annual tribute will be announced later this month.

This year’s Cineplex Legends Award, sponsored by Cineplex Entertainment, will be awarded to the late Canadian music icon, Jeff Healey. Each year, the Cineplex Legends Award is given posthumously to a Canadian pioneer in film and television, music, sports, arts or innovation. Cineplex Entertainment is proud to sponsor the Legends Award as well as Canada’s Walk of Fame.

“Canada’s Walk of Fame is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the extraordinary talent this country has to offer, and this year’s inductees are a shining example of the tremendous contribution Canadians make to the cultural landscape,” said Barb Williams, Senior Vice President, Content. “Shaw Media is honoured to once again be part of this exciting event and proud to be broadcasting it on Global later this year.”

Since 1998, Canada’s Walk of Fame annually honours individuals for their achievements in various fields, including music, sports, film and television, literary, visual and performing arts, science, innovation, philanthropy and social

justice. Candidates must have been born in or spent their creative or formative years in Canada. A minimum of 10 successful years is required to qualify, as well as a recognized body of work that has had a significant influence on our cultural heritage.

“We would like to offer heartfelt congratulations to this year’s inductees,” said Glenn DeSouza, Vice President, Retail Cards, RBC Royal Bank. “We are thrilled to partner with Canada’s Walk of Fame for a sixth consecutive year, as they continue to recognize and celebrate another group of talented Canadians for their achievements. These inductees are not only leaders in their respective fields, they provide inspiration and encouragement for future generations of Canadians.”

About Canada's Walk of Fame

Established in 1998, Canada’s Walk of Fame (CWOFF) aims to celebrate Canadians who have excelled in music, sport, film, television as well as the literary, visual, performing arts, science and innovation in order to engage and inspire the next generation. In 2010, CWOFF expanded to include a festival featuring some of Canada’s most popular and iconic performers, as well as emerging artists from across the country. The annual celebration culminates in a televised special that celebrates the achievements of Canada’s finest stars. With 2014’s additions, Canada’s Walk of Fame will have 157 inductees, each immortalized with their names forever cemented into the sidewalks of Toronto’s Entertainment District. For a complete list of inductees along with more information on Canada’s Walk of Fame visit: www.canadaswalkoffame.com

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