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March Break Toronto Experiences Available at www.SeeTorontoNow.com Starting from \$126 a night

TORONTO (February 28, 2011) – This March Break families travelling to Toronto will stay intrigued and entertained with special exhibits, live theatre, sporting events and family-friendly attractions all week long from March 14-18, 2011. Families planning to visit Toronto can now book accommodations starting from \$126 a night at more than 90 Greater Toronto Area hotels and admission for two to an attraction of choice such as the Hockey Hall of Fame, the Art Gallery of Ontario, Royal Ontario Museum, Casa Loma and much more. Packages can be booked at www.SeeTorontoNow.com or by calling 1-800-499-2514.

Toronto March Break Adventures start with:

Activities at the **Art Gallery of Ontario** including daily dance and music performances with Joanna de Souza and Ritesh Das of the Toronto Tabla Ensemble, art-making workshops with elephant tails and dupattaneckwear. Prices of admission include the Maharaja: The Splendour of India's Royal Courts exhibition from March 14- 18 with a family pass for four adults at \$66 and all youth under 25 free.

Justin Bieber fever at the **Bata Shoe Museum-Rockstar Madness** as it unveils the newest item to their celebrity collection, a pair of Justin's shoes, tribute shows will take place from March 14 -18 at 11am, 1pm and 2pm. Ticket pricing is \$8 for children and accompanying adults.

Royal Ontario Museum - Water: The Exhibition. Families who love to learn can discover more about the aquatic world around us and how much of the planet we live on is made up of water at the brand new exhibit opening on March 5 at the museum.

The **Toronto Zoo** March Break program lets kids step inside the Education Auditorium and enter the Playtime Forrest where they will be invited to get up close to exotic plant life and unique special animal exhibits. While learning about this special community of animals and their environment visitors will be encouraged to enjoy crafts and other activates with a forest theme.

Garden displays inspired by various JUNO-nominated artists at **Canada Blooms.** Paying tribute to the 40th anniversary of the JUNO Awards, senses are awakened at this year's event at the Direct Energy Centre.

Princess and pirate themed activities at **Casa Loma** including storytelling and performances, the chance to dress up like a prince, princess or pirate and a special breakfast that can be booked the mornings of March 17, 18 and 19 from 8:30am-9:30am with Snow White and Prince Charming.

Disney's "Tangled" DVD release celebrations at the **CN Tower**. Various themed activities will keep the whole family busy and can also have the little ones train to become an RCMP Foundation Jr. Mountie. The fun doesn't stop at the base of the tower but continues to the top with views of Toronto at 553.33m (1,815 ft., 5 inches).

Spring Fling at Rogers Centre will be keeping excitement high and thrills higher at the annual Spring Fling event, Canada's largest indoor carnival with a full size midway, family entertainment as well as onsite scaly friends that you can get up close and personal with.

Special daytime shows at **Famous People Players**, an award winning black light theatre. Presenting 'She Did What?!!!' all performances will include a post-show question and answer period, and an interactive black light demonstration.

The Mascots are out at **Hockey Hall of Fame** all March Break long where hockey fans of all ages can win Panasonic electronics and 2K sports prizes.

A blast to the past at **Black Creek Pioneer Village** with children participating in activities from the early 1900's such as log cabin building, old-fashioned spelling bees, traditional dancing, maple syrup demonstrations and free wagon rides.

Downsview Park-Spring Thaw March Break Camp with daily themes that allow a different experience for children 6 to 12 years of age such as wildlife, science, sports, art, nature and much more go on all week long from March 14 to March 18, 2011 - 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Maple Syrup Festival at **Kortright Conservation Centre.** Learning of historic and modern ways of producing maple syrup, maple syrup tasting from the kettles, indoor arts and crafts, and live family entertainment are all part of the family fun from March 5th to April 10th.

Alice in Wonderland at The Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People. Based on the novel written by Lewis Carol, this award- winning adaptation has a fast pace as the audience is taken on a journey that will turn ordinary objects into magical items and the use of puppetry is seamlessly a part of this fantasy world.

Specially themed activities at **McMichael Canadian Art Collection** inspired by music, exhibits at the gallery and St. Patrick's Day offering admission for two adults and three children under age 18 for \$30.

Reptilia, Canada's largest indoor reptile zoo is offering March Break camps for the little camper ages 4-12. This safe, exciting and unforgettable March Break experience includes science education, activities and all kinds of winter fun as well as a daily meal plan

The **Second City's 'The Absolutely Positively Completely Made-Up Show!**" is an hour of interactive, family-friendly improvisation and sketch comedy where performers pull ideas straight from the audience and make it all up on the spot is part of the fun at Second City this March Break.

Toronto Botanical Gardens offer March Break camps for children 5 to 10 years with various themes all inspired by nature and embracing the world around them.

The Toronto Mediatheque is offer half- day workshops creating animated movies using different techniques such as sand animation, 3D sand dough, 3D clay, pixilation, object animation, and 2D classic animation with paper cut outs.

Disney On Ice Presents Disney/Pixar Toy Story 3 with their friends entertaining fans at Rogers Centre during March Break. This family friendly frosty musical theatrical event will keep everyone bouncing in their seats and singing along to favourite songs from the movie.

Toronto Centre for the Arts' DuffleBag Theatre returns for another season with Sleeping Beauty. Just when the audience becomes enthralled by the story - a twist is created before your very eyes. Members of the audience are asked to come up on stage and join in the action.

Algonquin dog sledding adventures from **Wilderness Adventures** are letting visitors do the driving themselves starting at 8:30 am after an hour and a half indoor orientation and training session. Round trip transportation from Toronto may be available at \$125.00 per and leaves Yorkdale Shopping Centre at 6 pm the night before the trip. Nearby accommodations at \$45.00 per person per night (based on 2 per room) include a continental breakfast.

Visitors can do this and more in Toronto. For a full calendar of events or to book a Toronto March Break getaway through Tourism Toronto, visit www.SeeTorontoNow.com or by calling 1-800-499-2514.

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