

Media Release

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IS THIS A JOKE? NO, IT'S A ROAST!

Join us at **Club Soda on Thurs., Sept. 27th @ 8 PM**
as an all-star cast of Montreal comedians, sports personalities
and media friends "honour"

TONY MARINARO of TSN 690.

One of Tony's popular catch phrases as the host of The Montreal Forum, is "Is this is a joke?!", usually uttered with a tone of despair while dumping on one of Montreal's sports teams or a member of the Canadiens, Impact or Alouettes.

Now the tables will turn.

It's a Roast in two languages (at least). The MC is one of Canada's top comics Derek Seguin, fresh off his stint as part of the wildly popular The Nasty Show at the Just For Laughs Festival.

Among those at the head table will be Tony's co-host of Habs Lunch on TSN 690, legendary former Montreal Canadiens forward Chris "Knuckles" Nilan; Another one of Canada's top stand ups and the dean of Montreal comedy, Joey Elias (who was Tony's first on air radio partner during the early days of TSN 690); Francois Gagnon of RDS, Rodger Brulotte of TVA, local comedians Walter Lyng and Chris Venditto, and several other high profile members of the community, including a few surprises; mysterious figures from Tony's past and plenty of his current teammates at TSN 690 including Mitch Melnick, Conor McKenna, Sean Campbell, Mitch Gallo and the English radio voice of the Canadiens Dan Robertson.

The Gazette's Pat Hickey, who moonlights as a comedian, will do his best to channel his inner Don Rickles while Robyn Flynn of CJAD, who has also performed stand up, will lead a brigade of female roasters that includes former TSN star Andie Bennett and Jessica Rusnak of CBC.

Plus, the night will begin with a blistering set of music performed by **Shane Murphy and his band.**

Tickets for this unique night of comedy and music go on sale Friday at noon
at Club Soda (514) 286- 1010 www.clubsoda.ca

Prices are \$51.25 in advance (incl. taxes); \$54 (incl. taxes) the day of.

There are a very select group of VIP tickets which feature reserved premium view seats at \$71.25 (incl. taxes). This is a fully seated event.

A portion of the proceeds will go to one of Tony's favourite charities - <http://curesma.ca>

Billy Bob Productions is an independent Montreal music company which bolsters local musicians and has produced many memorable concerts including the 40th Anniversary Celebration of The Last Waltz and, more recently, the Southern Soul and Rock 'N Roll Revue, also at Club Soda.

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