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Markham Jazz Festival

The 2006 “Wine and Jazz Gala” Featuring Jazz Great, Bob Dorough

**Friday, August 18th 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
At the Varley Art Gallery**

Markham, ON – The **Markham Jazz Festival** presents “**The Wine and Jazz Gala**” featuring jazz great Bob Dorough.

Taking place in the heady atmosphere of the Frederick Horsman Varley Art Gallery www.varleygallery.ca, the evening will feature an up-close-and-personal performance by Bob Dorough, who is coming to Markham from New York specifically for this exclusive event. www.bobdorrough.com.

Funds raised assist the MJF in bringing in top quality and in-demand artists. The Gala promises to be one of the highlights of this years’ festival, combining great music, great wine and hor’s d’oeuvres, with the fun of winning great prizes too!

Bob Dorough has enjoyed a long and established reputation as one of the top song and lyric writers in jazz. He first broke into the mainstream jazz world with an appearance on Miles Davis’ album Sorcerer (singing Nothing Like You), and has shared the stage with Louis Armstrong, Count Basie and Blossom Dearie. His voice will also be familiar to anyone who saw “Schoolhouse Rock” on ABC-TV. Bob sang and handled the music for over 50 of the spots.

Bob has been described as “a New York Jazz icon – a wonderfully eccentric songwriter of odd, fascinating, off-the-wall songs”.

Jazz lovers will be able not only to see and hear Bob perform, but will also be able to meet the artist before and after the performance.

This Celebrate Markham event is funded in part by the Town of Markham. Space is very limited, so book your tickets early!

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‘The World of Jazz’
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Tickets are \$60 each**

Reserve your tickets at contactus@markhamjazzfestival.com
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