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"Phoenix will enable Canadians to understand how a son of the manse evolved into a grandfather of medical humanitarianism and how an outspoken and mercurial pariah became the most famous Canadian in history. Through their meticulous and unbiased research

"At long last, the whole Bethune—flaws and contradictions intact, making the extraordinary accomplishments of this troubled and near tragic figure all the more remarkable to unravel. I was riveted, from beginning to end." Ken Gass, Artistic Director, Fac

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