

# Muskoka Concert Association



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Welcome to the historic SEVENTIETH SEASON of great music presented by the Muskoka Concert Association! We are very pleased that each concert will include a thirty-minute performance by a local youth artist.

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## *Fundraising Concert*

*Dan Hill*

July 30, 2016, 7:30 p.m.



***Please note that this performance is a special fundraising concert for the MCA and is not part of our regular annual series.***

Dan Hill needs little introduction. He is ranked among the world's elite singer/songwriters. His mega hit "Sometimes When We Touch" which he co-wrote with Barry Mann at 23 years of age made him one of the youngest successful songwriters in the history of the music industry. His songs have been performed by many top artists such as Céline Dion, George Benson, the Backstreet Boys, 98 Degrees, Michael Bolton, Rod Stewart, Tina Turner, Britney Spears, Alan Jackson and Jilly Black. The MCA is thrilled to welcome Dan back by very popular demand!

Tickets: \$35

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*Tom Allen*

October 16, 2016, 2:30 p.m.



Tom Allen and friends open our regular series of concerts with style! What happens when a poet, an author, a composer, and his lover, and a book-loving stripper all move into the same house in a quiet, wartime Brooklyn? The characters WH Auden, Benjamin Britten, Carson McCullers and Gypsy Rose Lee provide a potent mix of cabaret, social history, very juicy gossip, glamorous music and all parts fun. Enjoy music from B. Britten, B Kulak, K. Weill, L. Bernstein and Tom Allen.

Tom Allen: narration, trombone  
Lori Gemmell: harp, guitar, voice  
Bruce Kulak: piano, voice

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*Joe Trio*

November 20, 2016, 7:30 p.m.



Joe Trio is not your average piano trio. To avoid being neatly categorized, they strive for diversity, versatility, and more than a little humour and unpredictability. Their repertoire will take you on a tour from Papa Haydn to Uncle Shostakovich as they perform new works by contemporary composers, and their own arrangements of popular, jazz and rock tunes. Joe Trio leaves audiences with a new appreciation for classical music.

Cameron Wilson, violin; Charles Inkman, cello; Allen Stiles, piano



## *Guy Few and Nadina Mackie Jackson*

April 8, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

Guy Few and Nadina Mackie Jackson known internationally as soloists, chamber musicians, and recitalists, trumpeter/pianist Guy Few and bassoonist Nadina Mackie Jackson have performed throughout Canada and the USA. As allmusic.com states: "Few and Jackson play with polished tone, immaculate intonation and infectious high spirit; it's obvious they're having a blast." Throughout this concert the audience is whisked from France to Argentina and Germany to Canada. With their unique instrumental combination, the duo features their favourite works, all of which electrify and entertain.



## *Canadian Men's Chorus*

May 6, 2017, 7:30 p.m.



Co-founded in 2010 by Greg Rainville and Arlene Jilliard and now in its sixth season, the Canadian Men's Chorus is a premier men's chamber ensemble, performing works from the classical repertoire and other genres.

Commissioning new Canadian music is a major focus; they have premiered over thirty new works in five years. The CMC is noted for its exquisite blend, exciting and varied performances and for their ability to take the audience on an emotional journey. The ensemble presents three concerts each season. Past performances include Stratford Summer Music, Orpheus Choir of Toronto, Centre Space for the Arts in London, Ontario, the Stratford Symphony Orchestra and the historic Gravenhurst Opera House as part of the Muskoka Concert Association Series.

## *Muskoka Concert Association*

The MCA began in 1947 under the sponsorship of the Gravenhurst Rotary Club. Today the organization runs as a community-based association, directed by a dedicated volunteer board. It is one of the longest-running concert associations in Ontario.

The objectives of the Association are three-fold:

- 1: To enhance the awareness and enjoyment of classical music for all age groups;
- 2: To provide at a reasonable cost a variety of quality musical performances, accessible to all, in community facilities;
- 3: To endeavour to sponsor musical outreach events for students.

*Come Join Us!*



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or at the Opera House box office.

A membership of \$90 gives you four concerts for the  
price of three!

Those wishing to make a donation with their  
purchases may still do so at the box office: 705-687-5550.

*Come! Be part of a great musical tradition!*