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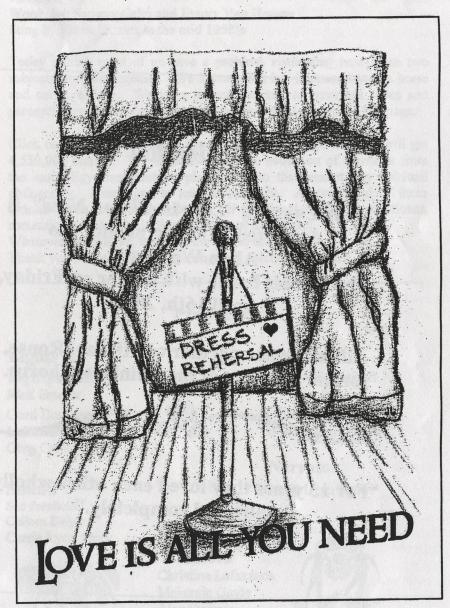
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# THE RAINBOW CHORUS or presents or other presents of the present of the present



### Dedication

This Concert, "Love is All You Need", is dedicated in loving memory to Allan Wiseman, who lost his battle with cancer on Friday, April 16th, 2004.

Allan was the partner of Michael Rouse, former member of the Rainbow Chorus.



"For 15 years they loved each other wholly, totally and completely."

#### Robert Miller - Artistic Director

Love and Marriage, love and marriage. Go together like a horse and carriage.

Words by: Sammy Cahn and Jimmy Van Heusen Sung by Frank Sinatra in the mid 1950's

Today I think most of us have a problem visualizing how these two subjects are tied together. We know what has happened to the horse and carriage days. We have moved on, and so have our ideas and perceptions of life. Many of us still believe that love equals marriage.

Click on a Google search for the History of Marriage and you will get 4,550,000 entries. The articles reflect the evolution of marriage from the early Egyptian contract philosophy to the present day spiritual philosophy. I managed to read through 20. A swift read of these articles gives a thoughtful lesson on the fiscal, spiritual, emotional, romantic and even the biological roots of marriage. Whatever we believe, we all know that is universal.

Thank you for celebrating love, in all its splendor, with us!

#### Production

Lights & Equipment
Rick Beutler
Gord Dunbar

Leslie Smith Greg Carter

Sound
Sue Fernholm
Colleen Daly
Carrie Lynn Perry

Drummer

Jeremy McDougall

Choreographer Bonnie McDougall

Narrator Carrie Lynn Perry

Actors
Christine Lafazanos
Melannie Gayle
Alan Switzer
Jim Vair





## Bonnie McDougall - Choreographer

Bonnie is thrilled to be a part of this wonderful concert of Love. It has been a wonderful and funfilled experience. Bonnie was last seen directing and choreographing Joseph and the Amazing Coloured Dreamcoat for Harcourt Church in the fall. You can see Bonnie perform from June to December 2004, at St. Jacob's Schoolhouse Theatre in the hilarious British farce It Runs in the Family.



A long time Guelphite, Bonnie learned her craft while performing with the Guelph Little Theatre,

Elcra Community Theatre, Putting It Together Productions, Royal City Musical Productions Inc., and many other community theatre companies. Since starting her professional acting career, Bonnie has been blessed to perform in TV commercials and many summer festivals throughout Ontario including Drayton Festival Theatre, Huron County Playhouse, Red Barn Theatre, Port Hope Summer Festival, Sudbury Theatre Centre, Hanover Civic Theatre, Theatre on the Grand and more. Her favorite roles include; Rachel Lynde in Anne of Green Gables, Dolly in Hello Dolly!, Clara in 13 Hands, Cass Duncan in Norm Foster's premier of Maggie's Getting Married, playing in a number of musicals and delicious Canadian and British farces, performing in the Vagina Monologues and being mom and partner to a wonderful family.

## Alison MacNeill -Accompanist

After graduate studies at the University of Western Ontario, where she studied with Ronald Turini, Alison MacNeill returned to Guelph where she keeps a thriving music studio.

Since 1988 she has held the position of Music Director at Harcourt Memorial United Church. Alison has also accompanied the Guelph Chamber Choir almost since its inception, and appears on its CD, Songs of the New World.

She spent several years as an accompanist to the University of Guelph Choir, the Guelph Youth Singers (appearing on its CD), the Elora Festival Choir, as well as numerous freelance engagement.

#### **Chorus Members**

Soprano

Kim Bolton
Birgit Niggebaum-Purvis
Sue Gadbois
Beryl Hunter
Heather Thompson
Karen Wendling

Linda Thompson
Joyce Smuts
Maureen Carney
Jane Keller
Natalie Basaraba

Katherine Brown

Alto

Sarah Brown Terrilyn Coward
Margie Johnson Michele Breault
Laura Kinzel Diane Kilby
Anna Kovacs
Deborah Eaton-Kent
Alicia Allen

Colleen Lichti
Marg Perchaluk
Michelle Szafron
Bonnie DePaul
Jennifer Lockhart
Mary Ann Weber
Michelle Tomko
Sylvie Plamondon

Tenor

Jan Baker
Jaye Crawford
Jon Dobbin♥
Judy Schaming
Brenda Eckhardt
Lynn Brown

Jan Johnston Kim Ryan Sally Ludwig♥ Dave Vervoort Ron Harris

Bass

PART -

Leslie Smith
Van Waffle♥
Ray Legge

Michaela Reid♥ Greg Carter Mark Raymond♥

#### • Small Ensemble

#### Non-Singing Members

Edwin Scherer Lori Herteis Tana Roud Wendy Donaldson Peter Perchaluk Kathy Sickle

#### Act 1 - Friday Night

- Scene 1: An inside look at the Rainbow Chorus' dress rehearsal the night before the spring concert.
- Razzle Dazzle from "Chicago" Lyrics by Fred Ebb, Music by John Kander, Arranged by Ed Lojeski
- Scene 2: Meet Sophie. She's been singing with the chorus for two years and is still looking for the perfect girl. Meet Lee, a newcomer to the chorus. Perhaps tonight's the night...
- Where Is Love? from "Oliver!"
  Lyrics and Music by Lionel Bart, Arranged by Mac Huff
- Somewhere from "West Side Story" Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Music by Leonard Bernstein
- Tonight from "West Side Story" Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Music by Leonard Bernstein
- Scene 3: Introducing Bruce and Isaac, long-standing choir members and partners of seven years. Let's see what's going on in their relationship.
- I Feel Pretty from "West Side Story" Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Music by Leonard Bernstein
- Isn't It Romantic? from "Love Me Tonight"

  Lyrics by Lorenz Hart, Music by Richard Rodgers, Arranged by S. Zegree

  Solos: Van Waffle, Jon Dobbin, Heather Thompson
- If I Loved You from "Carousel"

  Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein, Music by R.Rodgers, Arranged by A. Snyder Solos: Michaela Reid, Sarah Brown, Small Ensemble

- You Must Love Me from "Evita"
  Lyrics by Tim Rice, Music by Andrew L. Webber, Arranged by Ed Lojeski Solo: Margie Johnson
- All I Ask of You from "Phantom Of The Opera"
  Lyrics by Charles Hart, Music by Andrew L. Webber, Arranged by Bob Chilcott
- One Hand, One Heart from "West Side Story" Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, Music by Leonard Bernstein

#### INTERMISSION

There is a silent auction during intermission.

Act 2 - Saturday Night

The moment we've all been waiting for...

The Concert

- Grand Knowing You from "She Loves Me"
  Lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, Music by Jerry Bock, Arranged by P. Schmutte
- Hold On from "The Secret Garden"
  Lyrics by Marsha Norman, Music by Lucy Simon, Arranged by Ed Lojeski
  Soprano / Alto Small Ensemble
- Hakuna Matata from "The Lion King"

  Lyrics by Tim Rice, Music by Elton John, Arranged by Roger Emerson Solo: Greg Carter
- Love Is All You Need: A Tribute to the Beatles Arranged by Roger Emerson Duet (Imagine): Laura Kinzel, Jennifer Lockhart Solo (Yesterday): Mark Raymond

Please join us downstairs in the hall for refreshments and the conclusion of the silent auction.

#### **Upcoming Chorus Events**

PICNIC IN THE PARK
Guelph Pride Celebrations and BBQ
Royal City Park, Guelph
Sunday, May 30
12-4pm

Hosted by: GQE, and Rainbow Chorus

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL River Run Center Sunday, June 13

GUELPH UNITARIAN CHURCH SERVICE Sunday, June 20 10:00am

Local Original Musicians offering up
"An Evening of Entertainment"
in support of the
Waterloo/Wellington Rainbow Chorus

Canadian Contemporary Folk Musicians:

Tanya Hobbs

and

Hannah's Tribe

Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004
CAW Hall, 611 Silvercreek Parkway, North
Performance begins at 8:00pm
Tickets are \$15 available in advance or at door
From: Colleen at 836(Or contact chorus members)

\* cash bar \* all proceeds go to the Rainbow Chorus



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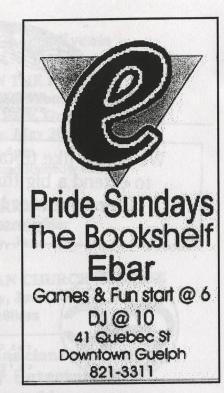
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We thank the Rainbow Chorus For sharing their gift of music.



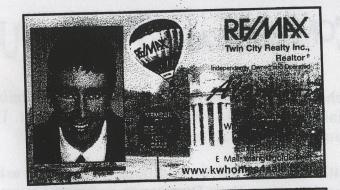
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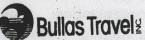






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# COME OUT AND SING WITH US

Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, September to June from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at Harcourt United Church, 87 Dean Avenue, Guelph.

Although there are no auditions, you will be asked to sing for our Artistic Director to determine your vocal placement.

If you don't sing but want to be involved in a friendly community organization, then the chorus also welcomes non-singing volunteers. There are many opportunities to help at our dances, concerts and other fundraising events.

For more information please contact our Artistic Director, Robert Miller at:

Phone: (519) 584-Email: mrrm@rogers.com

Website: www.geocities.com/rainbow\_chorus

# COME OUT AND DANCE WITH US

From September through May, we hold monthly fundraising dances for our community on the second Friday of every month at the CAW Hall, 611 Silvercreek Parkway North, Guelph.