

Grand River Rainbow Historical Project

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celebrating the lives and times of rainbow folk in Grand River country

Rainbow Chorus Events (1995-)

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WINTER SEASONINGS

*A celebration of the sacred, secular,
seasonal and silly*

*Presented by
The Waterloo Wellington
Rainbow Chorus*

Saturday December 11th 2004

8:00pm

*Harcourt United Church
87 Dean Avenue, Guelph*

Robert G. Miller - Artistic Director

"It is hard to imagine what cooking would be like without the unique flavours provided by the seasonings we use to prepare our meals. It is the many herbs and spices that tantalize and enrich our palates. These senses can bring fond memories of family and friends around our meals, especially during the December season.

This evening we present our visual and auditory seasonings. A mix of secular, sacred, seasonal and silly, to remind us that different blends make us richer in our understanding of our communities and ourselves. Bon Appetit!" Robert Miller

Robert Miller was once the Music Director at Harcourt Memorial United Church, prior to leaving for six years of study and conducting in Copenhagen Denmark. He has been the Artistic Director of the Rainbow Chorus since the fall of 2000.

Alison MacNeill – Pianist

After her graduate studies at the University of Western Ontario, London, where she studied under Ronald Turini, Alison returned to Guelph where she teaches piano independently in her busy studio.

She is Music Director at Harcourt Memorial United Church, a position she has held since 1988. There, she conducts adult and children's choirs, a handbell choir, and other musical ventures. One of these was the ambitious and successful production, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

Alison is in demand as an accompanist and chamber musician, and has been at various times, pianist for the University of Guelph Choir; the Guelph Youth Singers (appearing on their CD); the Elora Festival Singers; as well as many freelance engagements. She has been pianist for the Guelph Chamber Choir for more years than she cares to count, and is featured on two of their CD's: Songs of the New World, and Goode Cheer. And, of course, she is delighted to be pianist for the Rainbow Chorus, and accompanied them on their recent trip to GALA in Montreal.

CHORUS MEMBERS

SOPRANOS

Natalie Basaraba
Katherine Brown
Maureen Carney
Judith Eden
Barbara Illingworth
Jane Keller
Birgit Niggebaum-Purvis
Heather Thompson
Karen Wendling

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Michele Breault
Sarah Brown
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Marg Perchaluk
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Paula Waddick
Mary Ann Weber

TENORS

Jan Baker
Lynn Brown
Jon Dobbin
Brenda Eckhardt
Jan Johnston
Kim Ryan
Judy Schaming
Dave Vervoort

BARITONE / BASS

Jaye Crawford
Brad Lawrence
Ray Legge
Alvaro Lopez
Guy Poirier
Michael Rouse
Peter van Ryn

Soprano Soloist

Tammy teWinkel

Harcourt United Church

Choir Double Trio

Peter Gill
Dineke Dykman
Pam MacInnes
Alison MacNeill
Mike Relf
Tammy teWinkel

Narrator: Christine Lafazanos

Narration written by: Peter van Ryn

Choreographer: Michael Rouse

Rehearsal Accompanist: Leslie Smith

Lighting: Greg Carter, Linda Johnson, Rick Beutler

Coming Events in Support of the Chorus

Bowling Tournament: Join us for this FUN-raising event on Saturday, February 5th, 2005, from 1-4 p.m. at Frederick Bowling Lanes in Kitchener. For more information please contact Diane at (519) 744- [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]@sympatico.ca

Community Cultural Connections: For the first time ever, the Rainbow Chorus is hosting "Community Cultural Connections", a day full of workshops based on a wide range of topics. We're looking for volunteers who are willing to host a one or two hour workshop on Saturday, May 15th, 2005. Topics can include such things as yoga, self-defense, bicycle repair, song writing, knitting or almost anything else you can imagine! Do you have a talent that you are willing to share with the community? If you're interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Margie at (519) 824- [REDACTED] or at [REDACTED]@yahoo.ca

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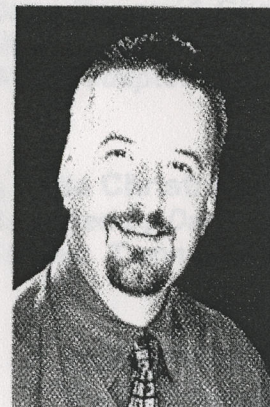
Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly
Fa la la la la la la la
'Tis the season to be jolly
Fa la la la la la la la
Don we now our gay apparel
Fa la la la la la la la
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol
Fa la la la la la la la

See the blazing Yule before us...
Strike the harp and join the chorus...
Follow me in merry measure...
While I tell of Yuletide treasure...

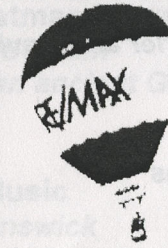
Fast away the old year passes...
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses...
Sing we joyous all together...
Heedless of the wind and weather...

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Winter Seasonings

WinterSong: A Celebration of Winter Solstice

- i. Vigil
- ii. Nightwatch
- iii. Longest Night
- iv. Sunrise Celebration

Music and words by Ginger Starling

Please hold your applause until the end of the four movements.

Angels Rejoicin'

*Adapted and arranged from a traditional Carribean tune
by Patrick M. Liebergen*

The Snow Begins to Fall

Music and words by Andy Beck

Cold and Fugue Season

J. S. Bach, Arranged by Ellen Foncannon

Children of the Light

Music and words by Gene Grier and David Lantz III

Bittersweet tango

Arranged by Eric Lane Barnes

Intermission

The silent auction will begin during intermission
in the hall downstairs.

Ave Maria

Arranged by Franz Biebl

Soloists: Michael Rouse, Jon Dobbin and a
Double Trio from Harcourt United Church Choir

Deck the Halls

Please join us in the singing of this traditional carol.
The words are printed in your program.

Sleigh Ride

Music by Leroy Anderson

Words by Mitchell Parish

Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind

Music by John Rutter

Words by Shakespeare, from "As you like it"

Winter Carnival

*Adapted and arranged from a Danish Folk Dance
by Linda Steen Spevacek*

Deep Peace (A Christmas Prayer)

Music by Ruth Elaine Schram

Words adapted from an ancient Gaelic prayer

A Little Christmas Music

Arranged by Daryl Runswick

Soloist: Tammy teWinkel

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

The Rainbow Chorus would like to thank all the volunteers who made this evening possible. As well, we would like to thank the businesses and individuals who support us by advertising in our program and by donating items to our silent auction.

Please support the businesses that support us!





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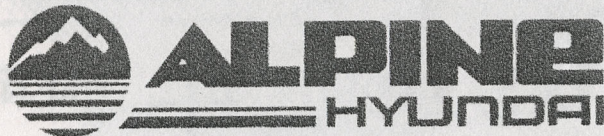
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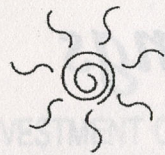
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Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, September to June from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at Harcourt United Church, 87 Dean Avenue, Guelph.

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- [REDACTED]

Email: rgmad@rogers.com

Come Out and Dance With Us

From September through to 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.

For more information please visit our website:

www.rainbowchorusww.com