

# 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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# The Rainbow Chorus

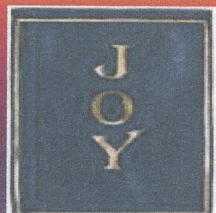
presents

# UNITY



## Songs of Love, Peace, and Joy

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>



## Robert G. Miller – Artistic Director

*“The style of life is a unity because it has grown out of the difficulties of early life and out of striving for a goal.” – Alfred Adler*

Robert Miller has been a musician since childhood. He studied music at the University of Guelph and for a number of years was the Music Director at Harcourt Memorial United Church. He left Guelph to expand his musical career in Toronto at the Metropolitan United Church and in Copenhagen studying organ and conducting the Homofon Kor.

In the fall of 2000, he returned to Guelph as the Artistic Director of the Rainbow Chorus. The Chorus has grown under his direction. His leadership has taken us to Toronto, Montreal and Carnegie Hall, New York.

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## Alison MacNeill – Pianist

Alison is a busy, free-lance accompanist, a chamber musician and a studio teacher.

At present, along with the Rainbow Chorus, she is pianist for the Guelph Chamber Choir, appearing on their two latest recordings.

She holds the position of Music Director at Harcourt Memorial United Church, where she manages a vibrant program of choirs and instrumentalists.

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A special thank you to our volunteer rehearsal Pianist, Anne Dance, and to our Conductor of; “That’s the Way It Is,” “Danny Boy” and “Let There Be Love,” Terrilyn Coward.

## CHORUS MEMBERS

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### Soprano

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Adriane Armour  
Mary Bruce  
Maureen Carney  
Terrilyn Coward  
Judith Eden  
Sue Gaskin

Pat Harland  
Barb Illingworth  
Kristi Kemp  
Claire Prime  
Karen Wendling

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### Tenor

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Jan Baker  
Brenda Eckhardt  
Jan Johnston  
Cathy McCallum

Kim Ryan  
Judy Schaming  
Alan Spreadbury

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### Baritone/Bass

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Jaye Crawford  
Ken McRory

Les Smith  
Van Waffle

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### Alto

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Alicia Allen  
Michele Breault  
Sarah Brown  
Carys Camani  
Maureen Evans  
Julia Jamieson Hanes  
Margie Johnson  
Diane Kilby

Laura Kinzel  
Colleen Lichti  
Jennifer Lockhart  
Nancy Oldford  
Marg Perchaluk  
Sylvie Plamondon  
Mary Ann Rayner  
Michelle Tomko  
Paula Waddick

A special thank you to those chorus members who contributed their personal stories for this performance: Nancy, Sarah, Julia, Les, Mary Ann, Michelle, Michele, Jaye and Marg.

Thank you to Van Waffle for taking these beautiful stories and creating a script for everyone to experience.



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# Unity: Songs of Love, Peace, and Joy

## Can You Feel the Love Tonight

Music by Elton John      Lyrics by Tim Rice

*Reading: Introduction*

## From A Distance

Music and Lyrics by Julie Gold

*Reading: "We need bridge builders"*

## I Dream a World

Music by Rosephanye Powell      Lyrics by Langston Hughes

## Danny Boy

Music – Londonderry Air arranged by Joseph Flummerfelt  
Lyrics by Frederick E. Weatherly

*Reading: "Finding my voice"*

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*Reading: "It's easy to live life one-dimensionally"*

## Let the River Run

Music and Lyrics by Carly Simon

*Reading: "We celebrate our story"*

## All I Ask Of You

Music by Andrew Lloyd Weber  
Lyrics by Charles Hart and Richard Stilgoe

*Reading: "None of the things we value are really concrete"*

## Light a Candle

Music and Lyrics by Al Kasha and Wayne Tester

## Deep Peace

Music and adaptation of words from an ancient Gaelic prayer,  
by Ruth Elaine Schram

*Reading: "A reason to stay"*

## The Storm Is Passing Over

Music and Lyrics by Charles Albert Tindley

## Shenandoah

American folksong - river/sea chantey

*Reading: "The right people at the right time"*

## Give Me a Silent Night

Music by Julie Gardner Bray  
Lyrics by Janie Gardner Cunningham

## Intermission

## Joyful, Joyful

Music by Ludwig von Beethoven - Arranged by Mervyn Warren - Adapted by Roger Emerson

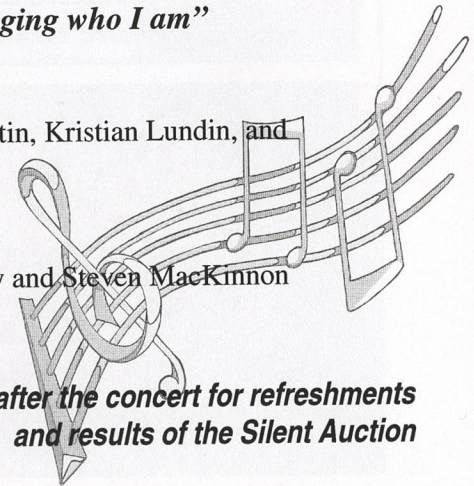
*Reading: "Singing who I am"*

## That's The Way It Is

Music and Lyrics by Max Martin, Kristian Lundin, and  
Andrea Carlsson

## Let There Be Love

Words and Music by Amy Sky and Steven MacKinnon



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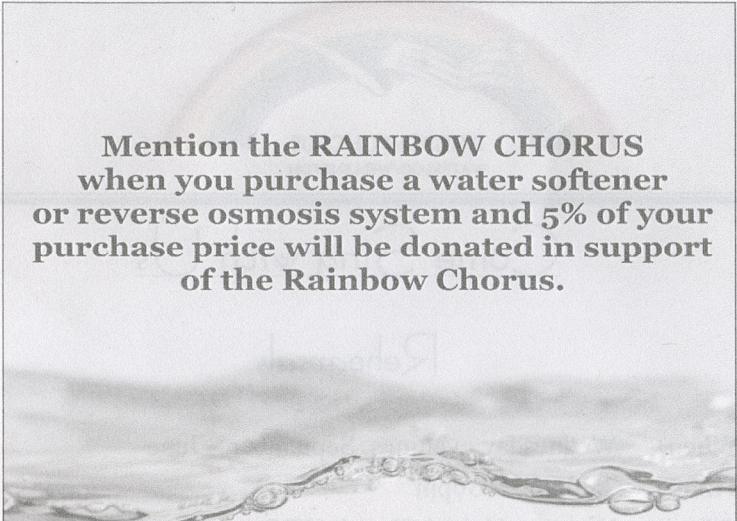


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**Where:** Harcourt United Church, 87 Dean Ave. Guelph

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- We will be accepting new members (sopranos, tenors and bass/baritones) at our next rehearsals on January 31 & Feb. 7. Please note that if you are an alto, your name will be placed on a waiting list
- Although there are no auditions, you will be asked to sing for our Artistic Director for vocal placement prior to your first rehearsal
- If you don't sing but want to be involved, the Chorus welcomes non-singing volunteers to help at our concerts and fundraising events
- For more information, please contact our Artistic Director, Robert Miller at:

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