

Brass, Classical Guitar & Woodwinds

HIGHLIGHTS CONCERT 2024

Thursday, April 25 | 7:00pm Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC





Letter from the President - Festival 2024

Very warm greetings from the 97th Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival!

For those of you who have attended previously as performers, parents of performers or one of our many volunteers...welcome back! You know that Festival is a unique six week celebration of Dance, the Speech Arts and Music that brings our community together each year at this time to perform, learn and build friendships.

For those of you who are new to Festival please explore everything it has to offer ... from expert adjudication, dozens of trophies, tens of thousands of dollars in awards, and an opportunity to qualify for the provincial and national festivals. Enjoy the warmth and supportive atmosphere that we are renowned for, and that stays with our performers through their lifetime.

As a non-profit association we rely on grants, the generosity of hundreds of donors and sponsors, and your registration and entrance fees, to bring this vibrant Festival to life each year. We send sincere thanks to all of you for choosing to make a difference in the lives of so many creative local artists. Beyond money we also rely on the gift of time from hundreds of volunteers so please take a moment to thank the Festival people you meet at sessions and concerts for helping your young performer on their artistic journey.

Finally this is your Festival, and the GVPAF Board of Directors strives to create an experience that reflects your artistic aspirations and needs. Please reach out to us through the Festival office with your suggestions and feedback to help us stay closely connected with you.

And now, please enjoy the creativity and passion on show and celebrate with us the thriving performing arts in our community!

Bill Devey, GVPAF President

Highlights Concerts 2024

Saturday, April 20 - Studio Dance - 2:00pm | Dave Dunnet Community Theatre, Oak Bay High School

Saturday, April 20 - Composition and Junior Piano - 6:30pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

Thursday, April 25 - Choral - 7:00pm | St. Patrick's Parish, 2060 Haultain Street

Thursday, April 25 - Brass, Classical Guitar, Woodwinds - 7:00pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

Monday, April 29 - Ethnic Dance and Fiddle - 7:00pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

Wednesday, May 1 - Intermediate and Senior Piano - 7:00pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

Thursday, May 2 - Speech - 7:00pm | Knox Presbyterian Church, 2964 Richmond Rd

Saturday, May 4 - Voice - 7:00pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

Monday, May 6 - School Dance - 7:00pm | Farquhar Auditorium

Thursday, May 9 - Strings - 6:30pm | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC

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Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin Building, UVIC













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Welcome to the 97th Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival!

The Brass, Classical Guitar & Woodwinds Highlights Concert features many talented individuals. Tonight, we will hear performers at every stage of development, all sharing a love of performing. Each of these performers is being recognized for excellence in a certain area.

As you may know, the competitive aspect is not the Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival's primary focus. Our adjudicators give on-the-spot suggestions for improvement suitable to the performer's level of musical maturity and work to increase confidence in skill and performance. However, occasionally, a generous music lover chooses to recognize some aspect of musical development by donating a special award. We are grateful to all of the donors, volunteers, and participants who make Festival possible

Special thanks to:

Carolyn Fumalle. Woodwinds Section Head
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Steven Donegan, Brass Adjudicator

Phillip T. Young Recital Hall,

Thank you to teachers, accompanists and parents who play such a vital part in the Festival.

Special thanks to all the Festival Volunteers!

Highlights Concert Lineup

Trio: George Greaves, Ben Samcoe, Georgia Ungstad

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My Grandfather's Clock

O'Reilly

Alina Kuspekian

Midnight in Seville

McFadden

Henry Baker

Pianist: Jany Lu

Trumpet Concerto

Arutunian

Sophia Kozlov

Elephant

Koshkin

George Greaves Pianist: Jany Lu

Amazing Grace/ The Quaker's Courtship/ Simple Gifts

Donkin/Barry/Brackett

Duet: Alina Kuspekian,

Sophia Kozlov

Tango Alegria

Schwertberger

Bella Zhang

Pianist: Jany Lu

Suite from Victoria Kitchen Garden, mvts 1 and 5

Reade

Sylvan Wilkinson

Pianist: Yousef Shadian

Afterlight

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Short Intermission

(Introduction of Award Recipients)

Adrian Chen	Fantasia No. 7	Dowland
Matty Angus <i>Pianist: Jany Lu</i>	Grand Duo Concertant Op. 48, mvt II	Weber
Tyler Evans-Knott	Landscape with Birds	Vasks
Camilo Aybar Pianist: Jany Lu	Clarinet Concerto in A Major, mvt II	Mozart
Gardellino Trio: Miya Doak,	Birds	Beeftink

Tyler Evans-Knott, Emilia Vozian

Amaya Sydor Pianist: Gabriel Lagos New Orleans

Bozza

Provincial and National Festival Candidates

Brass:

Provincial Intermediate Competitor – Henry Baker
Provincial Senior Competitor – Amaya Sydor
Provincial Senior Chamber Music Competitor – Quintet Mercury
National Festival Developing Artist – Henry Baker
National Festival Emerging Artist – Amaya Sydor
R&M Wood Candidates – Henry Baker, Amaya Sydor

Classical Guitar:

Provincial Junior Competitor – Sophia Kozlov

Provincial Intermediate Merited Participant – Marcus Bellows

Provincial Senior Merited Participant – Adrian Chen

Woodwinds:

Provincial Junior Competitor – Bella Zhang
Provincial Intermediate Competitor – Matty Angus
Provincial Senior Competitor – Ainsley Mercer
Provincial Senior Alternate/Merited Participant – Isabella Nguyen
Provincial Excellence Competitor – Camilo Aybar
Provincial Senior Chamber Music Competitors – Blue Quartet,
UVic Senior Saxophone Quartet
National Festival Non-Competitive Junior – Bella Zhang
National Festival Developing Artist – Matty Angus
National Festival Emerging Artists – Tyler Evans-Knott, Camilo Aybar
National Festival Chamber Ensemble (Advanced) – Orpheus Quartet
R&M Wood Candidate – Camilo Aybar

2024 Brass Awards

Award & Donor	Recipient
A Promising Young Brass Soloist registered in one solo class - John and Betty Ann Knappett	George Greaves
A Promising Young Brass Soloist registered in one solo class - John and Betty Ann Knappett	Ben Samcoe
An Outstanding Solo Performance - Anonymous	Henry Baker
An Engaging Brass Performance - Meridiem Wind Orchestra	Amaya Sydor
An Outstanding Brass Performance - Quartech	Henry Baker
Music Discoveries Camp (Jan 2025) - Tapestry Music	Helen Antoniou
Music Discoveries Camp (Jan 2025) - Tapestry Music	Lachlan MacCuaig

2024 Classical Guitar Awards

Award & Donor	Recipient
Junior Guitar - Jennifer Coy	Atharv Ajay
Junior Guitar - BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): In Memory of Elise Le Gresley	Poppy Tenk
Intermediate Or Senior Guitar - Jennifer Coy	Adrian Chen
Adjudicator's Choice Award - John and Betty Ann Knappett	Alina Kospekian
Adjudicator's Choice Award - Janet Komars	Sophia Kozlov
Orpheus Award- Best Overall Performance - Quartech	Sophia Kozlov

2024 Woodwinds Awards

Award & Donor	Recipient
Junior For the Love and Joy of Music - Dr Tina Webber	Bella Zhang
Junior Promising young performer - Susan Gage	Caitlin Hedman
Junior Promising young performer - Susan Gage	Hengyu Liu
Intermediate Overall Excellence - BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): In Memory of Elise Le Gresley	Miya Doak
Intermediate Overall Excellence - BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): In Memory of Elise Le Gresley	Emilia Vozian
Intermediate Overall Excellence - BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): In Memory of Elise Le Gresley	Jack Yang
Intermediate Most Outstanding Performance - Benjamin Drysdale Fund: <i>In Memory of Benjamin Drysdale</i>	Matty Angus
Senior Overall Excellence - Benjamin Drysdale Fund: <i>In Memory of Benjamin Drysdale</i>	Bella Nguyen
Senior Overall Excellence - BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): <i>In Memory of Elise Le Gresley</i>	Xavier Marican
Senior Overall Excellence - James and Noreen Bradshaw Trust Fund: <i>In Memory of Noreen Bradshaw</i>	Spencer Leong Cowie
Senior Outstanding Accompanied Solo - Dr Tina Webber	Ainsley Mercer
Senior Outstanding Canadian Composer - Meridiem Wind Orchestra	Sylvan Wilkinson
Adjudicator's Choice Outstanding Concerto - GVPAF Endowment	Camilo Aybar

2024 Woodwinds Awards (cont.)

Award & Donor	Recipient
Adjudicator's Choice Outstanding Unaccompanied Solo - GVPAF Endowment and John and Betty Ann Knappett	Tyler Evans-Knott
Ensemble Award of Merit - Anonymous and BC Registered Music Teachers' Association (Victoria Branch): <i>In Memory of Elise Le Gresley</i>	Gardellino Trio
Ensemble Award of Merit - Anonymous	Blue Quartet
Ensemble Award of Merit - The Quail Rock Foundation	UVic Senior Sax Quartet
Music Discoveries Camp (Jan 2025) - Tapestry Music	Declan Paul
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Most Outstanding Woodwinds Performance - The Quail Rock	Orpheus Quartet

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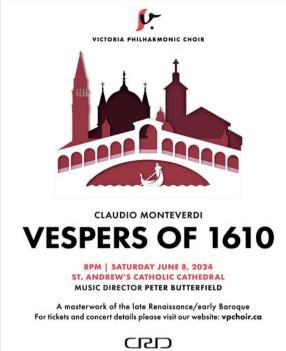
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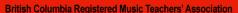
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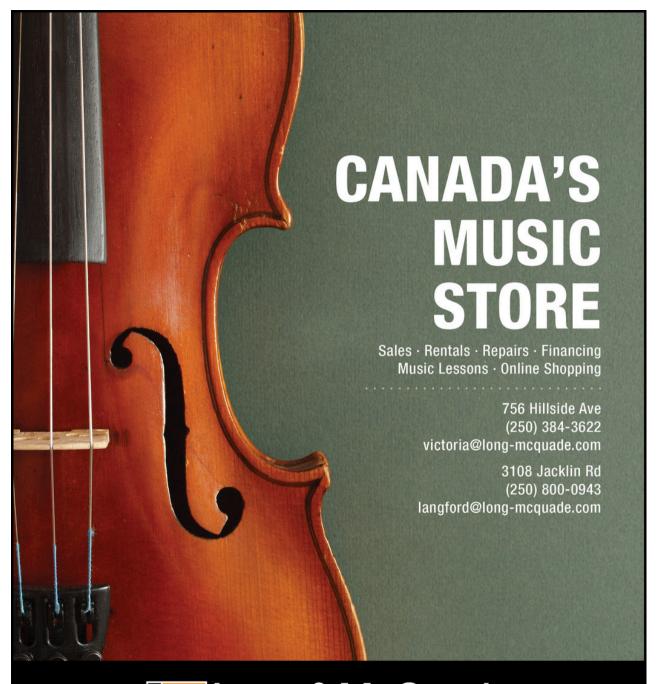




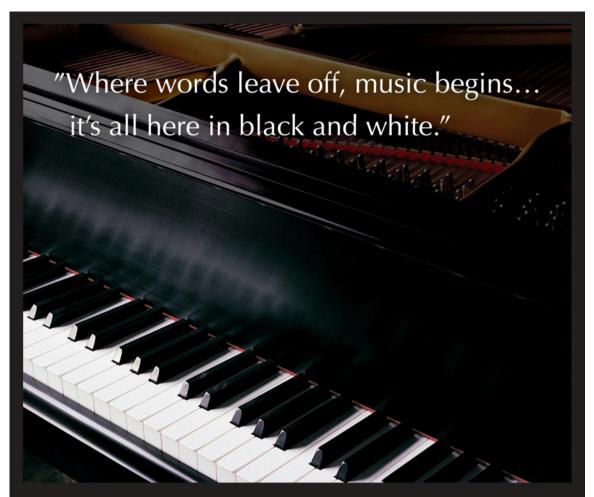














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