



Choral

HIGHLIGHTS CONCERT 2024

THURSDAY APRIL 25 | 7:00 PM
St. Patrick's Parish, 2060 Haultain Street

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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 GVPF 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,
GVPF 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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Welcome to this special celebration of the diversity of choral music in our community.

Choirs rarely have an opportunity to hear one another and to appreciate the broad range of music being prepared and presented by other groups. Tonight, we will hear choirs at every stage of development, all sharing a love of singing and all aware of the power of community, which a choir so beautifully provides. Each of these choirs 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 choir'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 the donors who have made this possible. We also welcome any contributions to our Festival 2025 Choral Section. There is a place for everyone in choral music, regardless of level of experience and musical preference. There is also a place for every interested person in the Festival itself.

This annual series of events relies on the efforts of hundreds of volunteers who engage in various activities which appeal to them, all focused on encouraging participation in the performing arts and nurturing talent. Do consider joining us, we welcome new members!

Highlights Concert Lineup

Ruth King Concert Choir – Jacky Siu, Director

Why We Sing Again, by Gilpin

Give Us Hope, by Papoulis

Quadra Elementary Choir – Emily Pollet, Director

Cherry Blossoms, trad. Japanese, additional music by M. Donnelly, arr. George Strid

Do-re-mi from “The Sound of Music”, Rogers & Hammerstein

Cedar Hill Middle School Senior Choir – Melissa McKnight, Director

Ujedinite Se by Jim Papoulis

Firefly by Mark Patterson

Belmont Concert Choir – Glynis Dawson, Director

Mother Earth by Sherryl Sesepegaham

Espiritu de Dios, arr. Brian Tate

Oak Bay High School Chamber Choir – Tina Horwood + Melissa Mcknight, Directors

Butterfly by Mia Makaroff

The Road Home by Stephen Paulus and Michael Dennis Brown

Hela Rotan, trad. From the Island of Malaku arr. Ken Steven

Dolce Melodia Choir

Jenny by Ryan Kerr and Nick Myers

Time by Jennifer Lucy Cook

2024 Choral Awards

Award

Recipient

For the Love of Singing Together - Linden Singers of Victoria

Cedar Hill Junior Choir

Gardiner Shield, Outstanding Performance by an Intermediate or Middle School

Cedar Hill Middle School Senior Choir

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Ruth King Concert Choir

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Oak Bay Senior Choir

Sacred / Spiritual - St. Luke's Church

Oak Bay High School Men's Choir

Victoria Choral Society Award - Victoria Choral Society: *In Memory of Dr. Lionel Adey*

Belmont Concert Choir

Outstanding Choral Performance - Capriccio Vocal Ensemble

Oak Bay High School Chamber Choir

J. Philip Fawcett Memorial Bursary - Susan & Rob Gage, Dr. Lawrence Fawcett, John and Anne Fawcett, Stephen Fawcett: *In Memory of J. Philip Fawcett and Mary McIvor*

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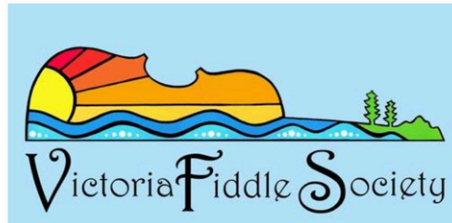
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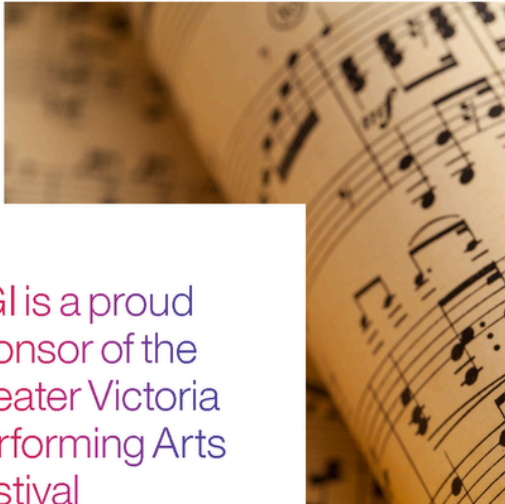
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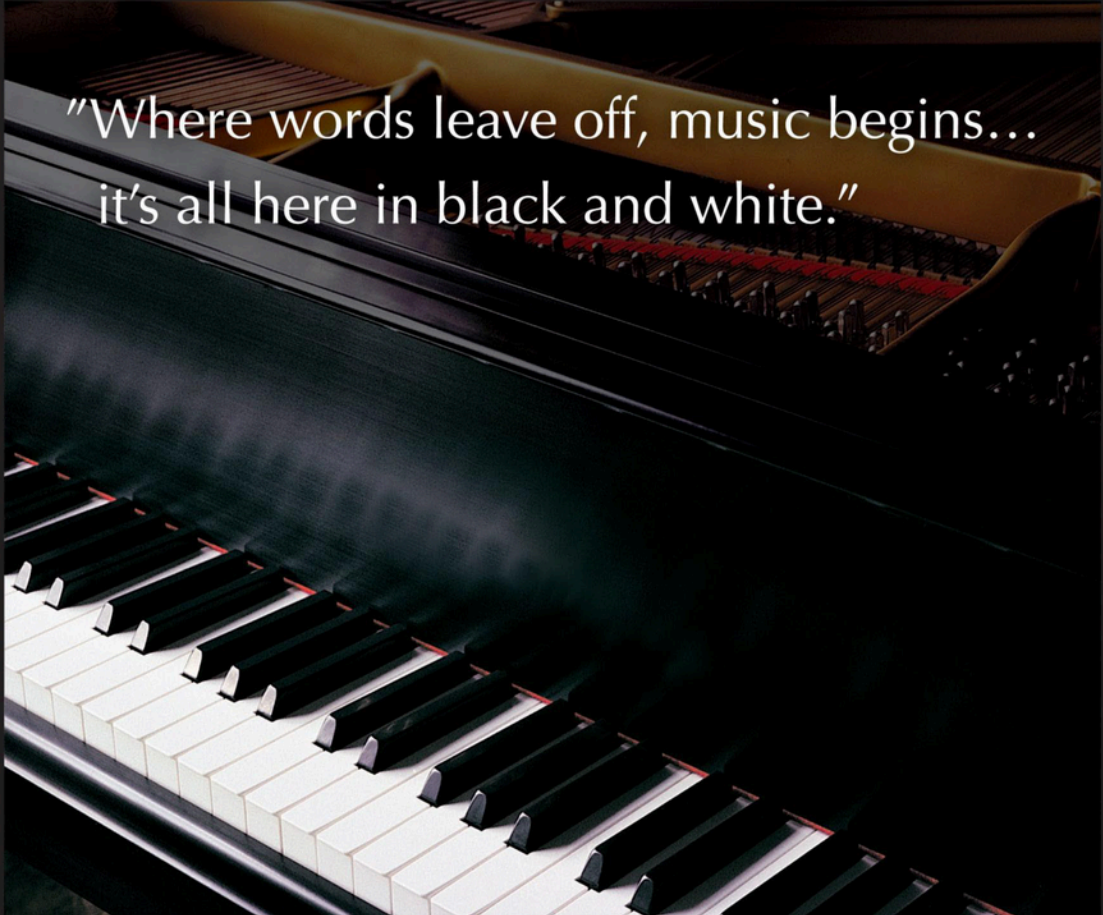
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