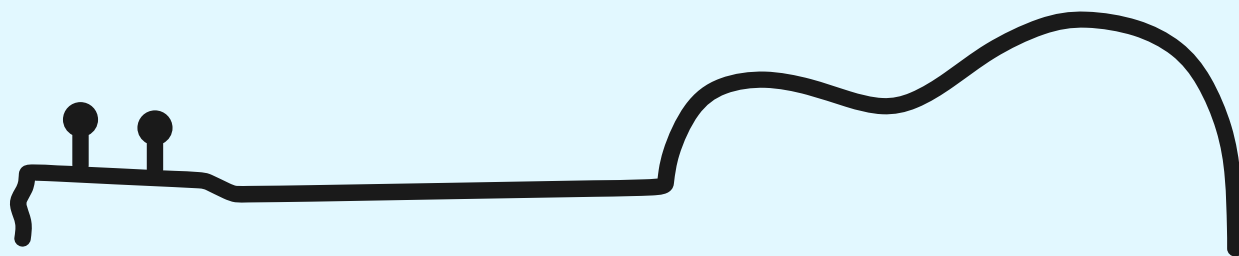


Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival Presents:

# Classical Guitar

2024 PROGRAM



**APRIL 13**

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**ADJUDICATOR: Don Hlus**

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## **Don Hlus - Adjudicator**

Don Hlus was a member of the music faculty at Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) for 26 years. He served as Department Chair for six of those years. In addition to working with students in studio lessons, coaching chamber ensembles, and teaching fretboard harmony, he also taught courses on the Music Industry, History of Popular Music, the Business of Music, and Career Development & Entrepreneurship. In 2019, Don retired from the university and established the Fort Langley Guitar Studio where he is thrilled to work with talented young musicians and guitar enthusiasts in advancing their craft, whether that be musically or professionally. For more information about Don and his professional activities, please visit: <https://donhlusmusic.com>



## 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.

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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

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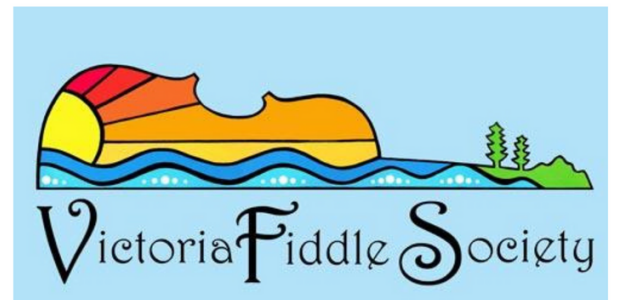
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# Saturday, April 13

## 9:30 AM

### Junior I (6 to 10 years) - Solo - 20th/21st Centuries

1. Atharv Ajay
2. Sophia Kozlov
3. Alina Kuspekian
4. Poppy Tenk

### Junior I (6 to 10 years) - Solo - Classical

1. Alina Kuspekian
2. Atharv Ajay
3. Sophia Kozlov

### Junior I (6 to 10 years) - Solo - Romantic

1. Poppy Tenk
2. Alina Kuspekian

## 9:50 AM

### Guitar Duet - Junior - 14 years and under (average age)

1. Atharv Ajay, Biel Webster Guillen
2. Alina Kuspekian, Sophia Kozlov

## 10:40 AM

### Junior II (11 - 14) - Solo - 20th/21st Centuries

1. Scotia MacCormack
2. Reagan Morley

### Junior II (11 - 14) - Solo - Classical

1. Scotia MacCormack
2. Reagan Morley

### Junior II (11 - 14) - Solo - Romantic

1. Reagan Morley

## 11:35 AM

### Intermediate (17 and under) - Solo - Baroque

1. Daniel Duncan

### Intermediate (17 and under) - Solo - Romantic

1. Daniel Duncan
2. Dario Firmani

### Intermediate (17 and under) - Solo - 20th/21st Centuries

1. Marcus Bellows

### Intermediate (17 and under) - Solo - Baroque

1. Marcus Bellows

## 11:55 AM

### Guitar Duet - Intermediate - 17 years and under (average age)

1. Marcus Bellows, Madeline Wang

# Saturday, April 13 (Cont.)

## 2:30 PM

### Senior (23 and under) - Solo - 20th/21st Centuries

1. Matthew Stott
2. Adrian Chen

### Senior (23 and under) - Solo - Baroque

1. Matthew Stott

### Senior (23 and under) - Solo - Etude

1. Matthew Stott

### Senior (23 and under) - Solo - Accompanied

1. Adrian Chen

### Senior (23 and under) - Solo - Renaissance

1. Adrian Chen

## 4:00 PM

### Adult (over 23 years) - Solo - Renaissance

1. James Austin

### Adult (over 23 years) - Solo - 20th/21st Centuries

1. Misha Smirnov

### Adult (over 23 years) - Solo - Baroque

1. Misha Smirnov

