

2017 - 2018 Season





Manitoba Chamber Orchestra



Since its founding in 1972, the Winnipeg-based Manitoba Chamber Orchestra has presented diverse repertoire with "satiny sound and dynamic subtlety." (The Ottawa Citizen) A SOCAN Award of Merit recognized its imaginative programming of contemporary Canadian music. MCO tours extensively throughout Manitoba and beyond, records and has an extensive outreach program. Under music director Anne Manson since 2008, MCO is working on a bilingual work that explores the birth of the Metis people using myth, music and theatre. Toronto Star calls MCO "Canada's tiny, perfect chamber orchestra."

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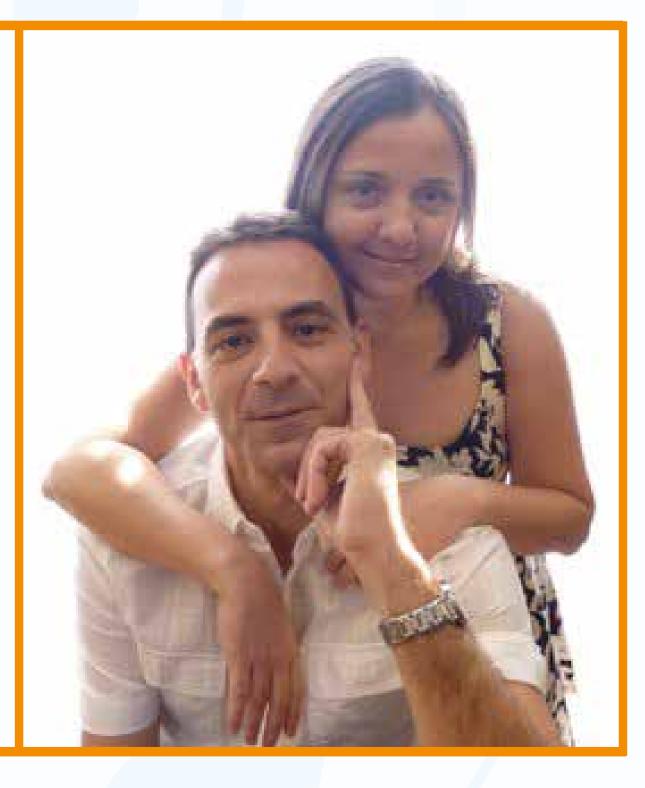
www.themco.ca

Martin-Meliton Piano Duo

Spanish-born Elena Martin and Jose Meliton have captivated audiences around the world with two-piano transcriptions of music by notable Spanish composers like Enrique Granados and Manuel de Falla. Their music-making is a "sweet conversation...lively and delightful," while they play with "perfect synchronization and palpable charisma." They have appeared at festivals and concert series, conducted master classes and workshops, and performed on TV and radio broadcasts worldwide. A New York Times review said these two professionals play with strong rhythm and unusual clarity.



www.martinmeliton.com



Craicmore Celtic Yuletide Celebration

This Celtic band from Los Angeles is known for original arrangements of traditional Irish and Scottish songs. Anchored by Nancy Johnston's deep alto voice, the musicians combine vocals, percussion, didgeridoo, bagpipes, bass and woodwinds to reimagine classic Irish tunes like "Humours of Ballyloughlin" and "Brose and Butter." Celtic Connections, their Arts in Education program, demonstrates how Celtic music has retained its fundamental traditions while absorbing many global influences. Craicmore's music has been heard on TV shows like Without a Trace and How I Met Your Mother.

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

www.craicmore.com

Lafayette String Quartet

The women of the Lafayette String Quartet – artists in residence at the University of Victoria – have played together since 1986. Originally based in Detroit, they have been an integral part of UVic and the city of Victoria since 1991. LSQ has collaborated with many contemporary composers and has won several chamber music competitions. LSQ's discography includes compositions by Borodin, Debussy, Grieg, Shostakovich, Tchaikovsky, Schubert, Fanny Mendelssohn-Hensel and Rebecca Clarke. David Round wrote about the LSQ in his book, The Four and the One: In Praise of String Quartets.



Thursday, Varch 8, 2018

www.afayettestringquartet.ca



Tom Allen's Bohemians in Brooklyn

Popular CBC radio host Tom Allen takes us to February House in Brooklyn during the Second World War. Its residents — a poet, an author, a composer and his lover and a book-loving stripper — create sparks that shake up the quiet neighbourhood and the world beyond. The cabaret style performance features Allen, harpist Lori Gemmell, pianist and composer Bryce Kulak and vocalist Patrician O'Callaghan. This intriguing and humorous story unfolds through the music of Benjamin Britten, Leonard Bernstein, Kurt Weill, Colin McPhee and original songs by the cast.

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

www.tomtomallen.com