

UPCOMING CONCERTS

- ❖ Enjoy the romance of classical guitar, brought to you by our very own Bradley Thachuk at our **January MasterWorks** concert.
Sunday Jan. 29 at 2:30 p.m.
- ❖ Sway to the rhythms of the Caribbean at the **February POPS!** concert as Lisa Lubin takes you on a musical voyage to the land of sun, sand, and beautiful waters through the magic of her steel drums.
Saturday Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Feb. 26 at 2:30 p.m.
- ❖ Guest conductor, Kevin Mallon, an Irish-Canadian who composed music for the CTV **Camelot** series, will conduct the **March MasterWorks** concert which features our own Douglas Miller, Principal Flute, and Deborah Braun, Principal Harp.
Sunday Mar. 18 at 2:30 p.m.
- ❖ Kick off the 1812 bicentennial celebrations at the **April POPS!** concert. It's an ever-popular collection of music of the British Empire with a twist - **"Last Night at the Proms: 1812 Edition"**
Saturday Apr. 14 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Apr. 15 at 2:30 p.m.
- ❖ Finish off the 2011-12 season with delightful Spring music at the **May MasterWorks** concert which features violinist Erika Raum performing Max Bruch's Violin Concerto No. 1, as well as Juno-nominated composer John Estacio's *Spring's Promise*, and Brahms' Symphony No. 1.
Sunday May 13 at 2:30 p.m.

SUGGESTIONS

- ❖ If you've enjoyed this concert, please consider subscribing to the last 4 concerts of the 2011-12 season – they're on Feb. 25/26, Mar. 18, Apr. 14/15, and May 13 (\$163.20 Regular, \$153 Senior, \$85 for 30 & under, plus fees).
- ❖ If you use Facebook, please "Like" Niagara Symphony to learn about our events.

CALL THE BOX OFFICE FOR TICKETS:

(905) 688-5550 ext. 3257 Monday to Friday 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.
1-866-617-3257 Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Holiday hours vary

We Need Your Feedback

Please tell us what you thought about today's concert by completing the enclosed Survey. Thanks!



SPOTLIGHT ON! ... IN THE LOBBY

The Niagara Symphony is pleased to welcome *Opus 4*, performing for us in the lobby before the concert and during the intermission. This student quartet is presented as part of the Niagara Symphony's new **SPOTLIGHT ON!** initiative, showcasing young musicians in the Niagara Region.

For a SPOTLIGHT ON! application, or further information, please contact the Niagara Symphony's Education Coordinator at BJ.Armstrong@NiagaraSymphony.org

Can You Help?

The musicians and staff of "Your Niagara Symphony" are delighted with the wonderful feedback we've had this year from our audiences. Ticket sales continue to be strong, but we still have a little way to go to achieve balanced budgets on an annual basis.

There are several ways you could help:

- ❖ Be sure to buy tickets to see Principal Conductor Bradley Thachuk's classical guitar solo at the concert on Sunday Jan. 29th.
- ❖ Invite your friends to come to a concert so that they can share the enjoyment of listening to live orchestral music with you.
- ❖ Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to Niagara Symphony by Dec. 22nd. You can donate with cash, cheque or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express) either by calling our office (905-687-4993 ext. 221) or online (click on the "Donate Now" button at www.NiagaraSymphony.org).

Please accept our thanks for supporting Your Niagara Symphony!

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POPS! 2

Saturday & Sunday Dec. 10 & 11, 2011

Home for the Holidays!

Niagara Symphony Orchestra and Chorus Niagara
Robert Cooper, Conductor

* **CHRISTMAS FANFARE** *leading into...* **O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL**
Traditional, arr. David Willcocks

THE PROPHECY

Gabriel's Message - Basque Carol, arr. David Willcocks
Angels We Have Heard On High - Traditional, arr. Peter Breiner
And The Glory Of The Lord (*Messiah*) - George Frideric Handel

CHRISTMAS LEGENDS

Ding Dong Merrily On High - 16thC French Carol, arr. Stuart Nicholson
O What A Lovely Fragrance - Old French Carol, arr. Healey Willan
I Saw Three Ships - English traditional arr. John Rutter

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL - Arr. Leroy Anderson

BROTHER HEINRICH'S CHRISTMAS - Story and Music by John Rutter
Barbara Budd, narration

* **THE FIRST NOWELL** - English Traditional, arr. David Willcocks

✦ ✦ ✦ Intermission ✦ ✦ ✦

FARANDOLE: MARCH OF THE THREE KINGS - Georges Bizet

NIAGARA NOELS

Hush: Mary And Joseph's Lullabye - Words & Music by Timothy Phelan
Gloria Deo Up In The Sky - Words & Music by John Butler,
Orchestration, Laura Thomas

O HOLY NIGHT (CANTIQUE DE NOEL) - Adolphe Adam
Special Guest: Stephanie Tritchew

* **THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS** -
English Traditional, arr. John Rutter

HOP ON!

Sleighbell Serenade - Philip Lane
Jingle Bells - J. Pierpont, arr. David Willcocks
Sleigh Ride - Leroy Anderson

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS - arr. J Fusco & Victor Davies
Christmas Song, Santa Claus is Comin' to Town & White Christmas
Stephanie Tritchew, soprano

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS - Traditional, arr. John Rutter

* **HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING** -

Felix Mendelssohn, Words Wesley, arr. David Willcocks

* *For Audience, Choir & Orchestra (words inside)*

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL (Adeste Fidelis)

ALL

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him,
Born the King of angels;
*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

CHOIR ONLY

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb:
Very God,
Begotten, not created;

ALL Refrain

ALL

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
In the highest;

Refrain

ALL

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,

Refrain

THE FIRST NOWELL

ALL

The First Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.*

THE FIRST NOWELL (cont.)

LADIES

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.

ALL Refrain

MEN

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.

ALL Refrain

ALL

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought.

Refrain

THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Please sing the verse that matches your Birth Month

ALL

On the first day of Christmas,
my true love sent to me...

January: A partridge in a pear tree.

February: Two turtle doves,

March: Three French hens,

April: Four calling birds,

May: Five golden rings,

June: Six geese a-laying,

July: Seven swans a-swimming,

August: Eight maids a-milking,

September: Nine ladies dancing,

October: Ten lords a-leaping,

November: Eleven pipers piping,

December: Twelve drummers drumming,
repeat sequence....

ALL

And a partridge in a pear tree!

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

ALL

Hark! the herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled"
Joyful, all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"

CHOIR ONLY

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"

ALL

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings
Ris'n with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"