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Toasts TO's new Musical garden

SPECIAL FEATURE: WHOLENOTE'S MUSICAL SURVEY OF THE COMING SUMMER
Percussionist Aiyun Christine Huang will be performing a recital of music for marimba, vibraphone & other instruments by Canadian women composers at the Music Gallery on June 11.

Publisher's Notebook

Is it significant that two of the main stories in this issue of the WholeNote concern concerts to raise funds for music-related construction projects?

Both the beneficiaries of these efforts - the Toronto Music Garden and the Bartók cottage in Saranac Lake NY - are to be lasting memorials, not only to the composers to whom they owe their inspiration, but also to the value that this generation gives to the place of music in our culture.

These are just a couple of the very encouraging signs that our society is beginning to mature musically. There are many others - many new works of music being commissioned, a significant increase in the number of renewals of subscriptions to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, the creation of a new chamber orchestra, the fact that there are on average 300 concerts a month in this publication, even the fact that this publication exists and has an enthusiastic and dedicated readership. As we review all these facts and look ahead to a packed summer festival season, perhaps we could take classical music off the endangered species list, and, without complacency, enjoy the music.
Jane Coop, Pianist
Bach: Piano Concerto in F minor
Beethoven: Grosse Fugue op. 133
Finzi: Eclogue for piano and strings
Mozart: Divertimento K136
Tchaikovsky: Serenade

Friday, November 26, 1999 @ 8 pm

Dmitri Berlinsky, Violinist
Grieg: Holberg Suite
Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto in d minor
Dvorak: Serenade

String Favourites

Saturday, October 30, 1999 @ 8 pm

Michael Kim, Pianist
Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 9
Andonian: In Memoriam
(Miranda premiere)
Mozart: Symphony No. 29

Sunday, March 12, 2000 @ 2.30 pm

Dances from the Old World
Stepan Arman, Violinist
Respighi: Ancient Airs and Dances
Wieniawski: Faust Fantasy for violin
Bartok: Divertimento
Bartok: Rumanian Dances

Saturday, April 8, 2000 @ 8 pm

Nathalie Paulin, Soprano
Holst: St. Paul's Suite
Britten: Les Illuminations
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Britten: Simple Symphony
Elgar: Introduction and Allegro

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Sunday, February 6, 2000 @ 2.30 pm

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Toronto's newest musical sweet spot and the people helping make it happen

STORY BY ALLAN PULKER
June 10 Toronto will have its newest park. Called the "Toronto Music Garden" it is two acres of land situated just east of the corner of Queen's Quay and Bathurst Street, right next to the lake and shielded from the noise by a terraced condominium and other residential buildings along the north side of Queen's Quay. Immediately to the south-west are the old Canada Malting elevators about to become the site of Metronome Canada.

The Garden itself is a landscaped network of paved pathways that take the visitor through a series of gardens, some semi-rustic with pines and spruces or deciduous trees, some more formal, and culminating at its east end with a terraced outdoor amphitheatre on a gradual slope that will help reduce some of the traffic noise from Queen's Quay. A generous, crescent-shaped stairway leads down from the top of the amphitheatre to the street.

If you happen to be there on June 13, in the early afternoon, you may even catch the first of what are hoped to be regular open air concerts, by students from the Glenn Gould Professional School.

That day, we plan to catch the first concert, and then, as inconspicuously and unobtrusively as possible, to stroll east along Queen's Quay to the first streetcar stop, take the streetcar to Union Station and there board a University northbound train to Museum Station. From there it's a few steps to the Victoria University Chapel where at three o'clock another concert (that just happens to be a fundraiser for the Toronto Music Garden) will begin. More on that other concert in a minute.

But first, back to the Toronto Music Garden - why "Music" and why here? The idea really began with cellist Yo-Yo Ma's series of films "Inspired by Bach", produced by Canadian film production company, Rhombus Media. Each of the six films, a collaboration with another artist, was based on one of the six suites by J.S. Bach. The first film was a collaboration with landscape designer, Julie Moir Messervy and the idea was to interpret in nature the music of Bach's first suite. Messervy comments: "Yo-Yo Ma always said that the First Suite reminded him of nature, which is why he..."

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CONCERT NOTES

With June, the torrid pace of the fall-winter-spring season (75 concerts a week, on average, since late September) starts to lessen, just as the summer season of out of town festivals and special summer series in town begins to heat up. Mind you, with 26 concerts on the first June weekend, there’s still a lot of life in the old season!

ORGAN RECITALS
The three noon-hour recital series at St. James’, St. Paul’s and Yorkminster Churches will be coming to an end early in June, so, if you’ve been intending to but haven’t, this is last call until September. And if noon-hour recitals just aren’t possible for you but Friday evenings are, why not go to Deer Park United Church on June 4 to hear a recital by organist, Jung-A Lee.

VOCAL RECITALS
At the Church of the Holy Trinity on June 4 two of Canada’s truly outstanding musicians, mezzo soprano, Catherine Robbin and pianist, William Aide will perform along with writer, Margaret Atwood. The proceeds from this event will support the Toronto Dollar, alternative currency project.

The next night, June 5, there will be a vocal recital at an underused venue, Hope United Church at Danforth and Main—great for all of us east-enders! And on June 11 at 7:30 The Aldeburgh Connection bring us their first annual Greta Kraus Schubertiad. The performers are three outstanding Canadian singers, tenor Benjamin Butterfield, soprano Monica Whitcher, and baritone Russell Braun. Included in the program is Schubert’s song cycle, Die schöne Müllerin as well as other songs.

WOMEN COMPOSERS
There are three concerts in June featuring the music of women composers. The first of these is on Saturday, June 5, when the Oriana Singers women’s choir and the Victoria Scholars men’s choir join forces to perform works by seven Canadian women composers. The other two concerts of music by women composers are a solo recital on June 11 by percussionist, Aiyun Christine Huang, and a solo recital on June 19 by pianist, Heather Toews, at the Arkell Schoolhouse.

STRING ORCHESTRAS
On June 5, the Studio Strings of Mississauga will be performing some “greatest hits” for string orchestra at Westminster Church in Mississauga. The Toronto Senior Strings will perform a matinée concert on June 10. The featured work on the program is a Louis Applebaum composition for English Horn and Orchestra commissioned by the orchestra. Applebaum just last year celebrated his 80th birthday.

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The Canadian Chamber Academy Orchestra, which the past few seasons has performed at the George Ignatiou Theatre at the University of Toronto, is now producing its concerts at Lansdowne United Church in Willowdale. The last concert of its season will take place there on June 20.

**Orchestras**

If you would like to go as far east as Oshawa you can hear the prize-winning Canadian conductor, Marco Parisotto put the Oshawa-Durham Symphony Orchestra and the Durham Youth Orchestra through their paces the evening of June 5. On June 10 the Toronto Symphony Orchestra will joined by pianist, Andrew Burashko, performing George Gershwin’s Piano Concerto in F Major. Burashko, one of whose teachers was the recently deceased Marek Jablonski, is, as comfortable with 20th Century repertoire as he is with Mozart and Beethoven, so it will be interesting to hear what he does with the Gershwin.

The American composer and music journalist, Virgil Thomson was, to put it mildly, dismissive of Gershwin’s abilities as a composer of “serious” music, which may have retarded Gershwin’s acceptance into the orchestral repertoire. Burashko evidently does not share this opinion. It should be interesting!

**What’s in a name?**

The orchestra “formerly known as the North York Symphony Orchestra” has just been renamed “The Toronto Philharmonia”. Tom Gove, Chairperson of the North York Symphony Association explains, “The name change is part of the re-positioning of the orchestra to reflect more accurately its growing reputation in the Greater Toronto Area.”

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Is there a problem looming? We now have The Toronto Symphony Orchestra, The Toronto Philharmonia, Orchestra Toronto (formerly the East York Symphony) and Sinfonia Toronto, the new chamber orchestra announced in our April issue. Vive Mississauga libre!

**Miscellaneous**

Toronto’s DUO, flute-guitar ensemble, which will be playing at the McMichael Canadian Collection, is among a number of excellent concerts available on Sunday afternoon, June 6. And that evening will be possibly the only opportunity this season to hear Nexus Percussion Ensemble as they join the Amadeus Choir at the George Weston Recital Hall. Something else that sounds interesting is “Pictures at a Musical Exhibition: Music to accompany new works of art” in Ancaster, just the other side of Hamilton on June 4.

**Robert Silverman**

A little out of the ordinary and not very far out of the way are two solo recitals by Vancouver pianist, Robert Silverman on July 6 and 7 at the Glenn Gould Studio. In these recitals Silverman will complete his complete performance of Beethoven’s piano sonatas, which he began with two solo recitals in July 1998. Even if you did not get to his recitals last year this is really one of the best opportunities to hear some good music in Toronto this summer.

**Music Mondays**

If you are downtown on Mondays from the beginning of June to the end of August, the Music Mondays Series presented by Holy Trinity Church, right behind the Eaton Centre, has some excellent artists lined up. Check our listings for details.

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Catherine Belyea
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Arlene Meadows
7 pm Give My Regards to Broadway
John van Driel
8 pm Your Saturday Night Favourites
Michael Lyons

SUNDAY
5:30 am Gloria
Richard Gale
9 am Music for Sunday
John van Driel and Kerry Stratton
12:10 pm Lunch on the Date
Arlene Meadows
1 pm Music for Sunday
John van Driel and Kerry Stratton
5:05 pm Sinfonia
Alexa Petrenko
7:00 pm Canadian Showcase
Terry Campbell
8 pm Concert in the Park
David Craig
9 pm Sunday Night at the Opera
Catherine Belyea
HEAR & NOW: BY DAVID PARSONS

BY DAVID G. H. PARSONS

This marvellous 1998-99 new music season is racing toward summer with very little let-up as it draws closer to its triumphant close. As usual I have spiced these observations on the month’s live music with suggestions of recordings pertaining to the month’s concert offerings. Readers should find these titles both enjoyable and enlightening. (Those containing Canadian composers may be acquired at the Canadian Music Centre, where you can sample repertoire in advance in the Library’s listening rooms.)

LIGETI

New Music Concerts concludes a most successful series with “Ligeti at 76” on Sunday, June 13 at the Glenn Gould Studio. Two major works of György Ligeti have been programmed—the Etudes for Piano, Books I and II, interpreted by new music exponent Christina Petrowska; and the Concerto for Violin and Orchestra with Fujiko Imajishi as soloist, which will receive its Canadian premiere. Also on the evening is Du Fouet et du Plaisir by Quebec composer Denis Bouliane.

Personal connections to Ligeti abound throughout this concert. Petrowska added Ligeti’s piano works to her repertoire under the composer’s personal guidance, Bouliane is the only Canadian composer to have studied with Ligeti, and artistic director Robert Aitken has been a long-time friend.

“New Music Concerts has been trying to programme this Ligeti celebration for the past five years,” says Lorraine Johnson, general manager, “and we wanted very much to present the Canadian premiere of his violin concerto. Our policy is always to have the composer on hand for these tribute concerts, but Ligeti is difficult to get since he is in such demand.” Unfortunately, this great artist will not be in attendance at the Toronto concert, but the performances will be preceded by Michel Folin’s documentary film, “György Ligeti” - dealing with the composer’s private life as well as his music, and including scenes shot in Budapest and Romania.

Recordings: Ligeti’s discography is extensive, and fans should have no trouble finding his work. Christina Petrowska is prominent in new music news these days. On May 19, some 70 people were in attendance at Toronto’s Heliconian Hall for the launch of her CD “Northern Siriana.” Featuring the music of five outstanding Canadian women composers—Larysa Kuzmenko, Alexina Louie, Diana McIntosh, Heather Schmidt and Ann Southam—the disc is a showcase for Petrowska’s virtuoso technique. It also presents five highly contrasting musical voices, all connected by their new and insightful approaches to tonality which makes their music very much of our day (York Fine Arts - YPA00099).

AIYUN CHRISTINE HUANG

Female musical creators are celebrated again when the Association of Canadian Women Composers continues its 1998/99 concert series with a solo percussion recital by Aiyun Christine Huang at the Music Gallery (June 11). Huang has selected pieces for marimba, vibraphone and exotic world music instruments by Canadians Ann Southam (Alternate Currents), Alice Ho (Forest Rain), and Svetlana Maksimovic (new work), as well as international composers Keiko Abe (Japan), Chaya Czerlowin (Finland) and Chalin Pan (Taiwan). This is the last event in the Association’s series of four concerts, and is preceded by a choral programme on June 5 (see the Choral Scene). Two additional concerts were given in Vancouver earlier in the year.

HEMISPHERES, SANKARAN

Hemispheres concludes its 10th anniversary season with a programme entitled Old Forms, New Voices at the du Maurier Theatre Centre on Sunday, June 6. Acclaimed South Indian drummer and composer Trieychi Sankaran will appear with the 15-piece improvising ensemble in what promises to be a crossover fusion event!

From Madras to New York, scholar, composer and master player of the mrdangam (the classical double-headed South Indian drum), Sankaran is praised for his virtuosity, inventiveness and rhythmic control. He has composed a new work featuring himself with Hemispheres for this concert. Entitled Jazzadorian, it explores possible connections between modality in jazz, and the system of ragas in Indian music.

TWENTIETH CENTURY TSO

The Toronto Symphony Orchestra presents important 20th century works during the month on several of its programmes. First in the line up is a concert of American music that features the TSO’s first performances of John Corigliano’s Symphony No. 1 (June 10, 12, 14). The American composer wrote the symphony in 1990 after seeing the AIDS Memorial Quilt, and in memory of several friends who had died of the disease. Described as a “big, powerful sometimes unsettling, ultimately affecting score,” it expresses Corigliano’s feelings of loss, anger and frustration in the face of this epidemic. Critics agree that this deeply moving work will stand as one of the great American symphonies of the modern era. It has been played by orchestras around the world and recorded more than once. I encourage WholeNote readers to familiarize themselves with this piece in advance and recommend Daniel Barenboim and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra who gave the world premiere (ERATO 2292-45601-2). Also on the programme is John Adams’ The Chairman Dances (Foxtrot for Orchestra) and Gerichin’s Piano Concerto.

Earlier in the month (June 2, 3, 5), Shostakovich’s massive Symphony No. 7 (Leningrad) gets a welcome Toronto performance, and later (June 16, 17, 18), the TSO performs Et la solitude derive au fil des fleuves by Canadian composer Brian Cherney. On the 17th, Cherney will join me for a discussion about his music in the lobby as part of the orchestra’s “Musically Speaking” series. We hope to see you there!

AFFINITIES

Several performers noted for their special affinity for new music are giving exciting concerts in June. On the 13th,
violinist Laura Wilcox presents a wide range of contemporary works. Wilcox has recently moved to Brazil where she is performing in Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, and the composers featured on her Toronto appearance are a mixture of Canadian and international: Sergio Barroso, Orlando Jacinto Garcia, György Kurtág, James Tenney, David Lidov, and Boguslaw Schäffer. Perhaps it’s the unlucky number 13—this event conflicts with New Music Concerts Ligeti tribute, so new music fans will have a tough choice.

Then on the 17th, the violin and piano duo of Marc Sabat and Stephen Clarke will present an evening of works by Morton Feldman (Piece, Projection 4, Extensions 1, Vertical Thoughts 2, Spring of Chosroes) and Christian Wolff (For 1, 2, or 3 People) at the Ettore Mazzoleni Concert Hall, Royal Conservatory. The duo has performed extensively in Europe, where they have developed a strong following within the contemporary music community. Just in May the two released their first recording, the complete works for violin and piano by James Tenney (HAT[now]ART 120).

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Lastly, new music lovers should note that several Toronto-area composers - Alison Cameron, Barbara Croall and Marc-Sabat are receiving premieres in Germany in June as part of a unique cultural exchange opportunity. These three Canadians are matched up with three German composers based in Munich for six world premieres at the A. Devantgarde New Music Festival. This concert will be re-mounted at the Music Gallery in Toronto in October as a way of opening dialogue between the two cities.

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**CHORAL SCENE**

by Larry Beckwith

For me the month of June always brings back fond memories of the 1989 and 1993 International Choral Festivals that happened in Toronto. There are not nearly as many choral events happening as there were in those special years, but a glance through the calendar brings up quite a few concerts of interest.

**SONG OF SONGS**

June 2 is your last chance to take in the unique offering entitled *The Song of Songs*. This is a collaboration between David Fallis's Toronto Chamber Choir, Brad Ratzlaff's Trinity-St. Maissner. It's a multi-media affair centring on the myriad of art inspired by the biblical Song of Songs.

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The Orpheus Choir of Toronto, conducted by Brainerd Blyden-Taylor, gives the premiere of Sonnets to Orpheus by the Canadian composer Imant Raminsh on June 5. The work includes eight of the famous sonnets by Rainer Maria Rilke and is set for baritone (Kevin McMillan), large choir and orchestra. Presenting a new work of this magnitude is a huge undertaking and I know that this event has been in the works for some years now. Bravo to the Orpheus Choir for bringing it to fruition. The programme also includes Elgar’s Sea Pictures and Vaughan Williams’ Serenade to Music. The Raminsh will be broadcast on CBC’s Choral Concert at the end of June.

**AMADEUS AND NEXUS**

The next evening at the Ford Centre, the Amadeus Choir, conducted by Lydia Adams, give their season-ending concert with Nexus. Robin Engelman will have a new work on the programme along with pieces by John Wyre and William Mathias. (And remember, if you are interested in entering the Amadeus Choir’s popular Christmas Carol and Chanukah Song writing competition you have until September 20 to get your entries in. Cash awards and performances happen in December. For more information, the choir has a splendid website at http://amadeus.idirect.com.)

**BIG DAY FOR CO**

June 12 is a big day for Choirs Ontario. We’re holding our Annual General Meeting at Bloor Street United Church at 4:00 pm, breaking for dinner, then returning to the church for a concert by Ron Cheung’s Voices choir. If you are at all interested in the organization, please attend our AGM and - if you still like us! - consider taking out a membership. As always, if you’d like further information about Choirs Ontario, just give me a call at 923-1144.

**TSO TIMES TWO**

The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir participates in two Toronto Symphony programmes this month. Mahler’s Third Symphony, conducted by music director Jukka-Pekka Saraste is rarely heard and features women’s voices. The annual throwback to colonial times known as the Last Night of the Proms, conducted by the wonderful Bramwell Tovey highlights old warhorses, Empire chestnuts and incongruities like the Polovetsian Dances from Prince Igor. Don’t argue with tradition!

**GUELPH SPRING**

If you fancy a trip out of town, the Guelph Spring Festival continues into the first week of June and presents a Bach celebration on June 1. There are also several children’s choir concerts taking place in June. The Oakville Children’s Chorus performs June 5, the award-winning La Jeunesse Northumberland Girls’ Choir of Cobourg performs June 6 and again at the end of the month in a run of Anne of Green Gables. The Georgian Bay Children’s Choir of Owen Sound gives concerts June 5 and 12 and the Saugeois Children’s Choir concertizes June 13 in Port Elgin.

**CAMMAC**

If you are an adult amateur chorister, the Canadian Amateur Musicians/Musiciens Amateurs du Canada run a camp in the summer that you might be interested in. It takes place at Cedar Glen in the Caledon Hills and runs from July 25 to August 1 and August 1 to 8. For more information, call CAMMAC at 421-0779.

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To schedule an audition call: (416) 598 - 0422.

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**Musicians in our Midst**

Mary Kenedi

Interviewed by Allan Pulker

Pianist, Mary Kenedi has created a unique career in the fiercely competitive world of pianistic excellence. Renowned as an interpreter of the music of fellow Hungarians, Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly, she is also respected as an interpreter of contemporary Canadian music. Several works have been commissioned for her, including Michael Horwood’s “Intravations” Concerto, which she has already performed with the Sault Ste. Marie Symphony Orchestra and the Niagara Symphony and which she will perform with the York Symphony Orchestra in October 2000. She has performed at New York’s Carnegie Hall and very recently played the music of Bartok at a gala dinner held in the National Gallery of Canada to celebrate Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic’s joining NATO. She has toured Australia and New Zealand performing music composed by Canadian composer, Larysa Kuzmenko, and has CDs of new Canadian music on both the Centredisc and Furiant labels. Her discography also includes two recordings of Bartok’s music, both of which received enthusiastic reviews. As many artists are now doing, she released these recordings herself under her own label, “Echiquier” (Chessboard).

Mary Kenedi, who was born in Budapest and began studying the piano there at a young age, spoke about her family’s escape from Hungary in 1956, stories of bribing soldiers, of meeting people who had been shot at, of literally risking their lives to walk out of their own country, leaving behind absolutely everything they owned, including a Steinway grand piano. It was the loss of the piano that affected Mary most deeply at this intersection of history and her young life. She remembers really...
by John McGuigan

John McGuigan is currently the administrative secretary of the Canadian Band Association (Ontario Chapter). His main function is the editing of the quarterly magazine "Fanfare" and to maintain records and offices for the association. He also owns and operates "COMPRINT" a publishing house for new Canadian music. He can be contacted by fax or phone at 905-826-5424

National Youth Band Presents the Concert of the Month

CBA national executive is to be commended for the finest band concert of the season this past May by the National Youth Band. This organization is now presenting the opportunity of a lifetime for young musicians across the country, auditioned and chosen from the best candidates in the country. They are lodged and boarded for a week prior to this concert and spend long rewarding hours in practice with their talented conductors. The result is outstanding - very difficult music presented with extreme confidence and flair before two audiences of 1500 of their peers.

This year's concert was a gem. The huge percussion section, unrestrained power from a well tuned and polished brass section, winds blessed with many sweet and musical solo sounds, and a conductor, Dr. Gerald King from BC, up to the task of controlling this august congregation.

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official programme which should be available at about the same time as this publication.

I will, however, mention some of the highlights.

There is an ambitious programme at Harbourfront Centre, some free, some ticketed. A couple of the ‘bigness’ are:

June 30th. 8.00p.m. Cassandra Wilson, a singer who is riding the crest, will return to repeat her last year’s triumph. Molson Place. 973.4000. $30.00; $25.00 (advance).

July 3rd. 8.00p.m. “Remember Shakti”, Guitarist John McLaughlin, in the company of Zakir Hussain on tabla, with special guests V. Selvaganesh, ghutaum and U. Shrinivas, mandolin is once more exploring the relationship between jazz and Indian music. Molson Place. 973.4000. $25.00; $20.00 (advance).

The corner of King and John Streets in downtown Toronto is where you can find the 1,000 seat marquee which houses the du Maurier Stage. There will be 38 concerts in this tent over the ten day period. The performances at noon and 5.30p.m. form the ‘toonie’ series - a donation of $2.00 gets you in. There is a ‘Round Midnight’ Series for $5.00 and a ticketed concert at 9.00p.m. each night.

Here are a few to whet your appetite:

Above Oliver Jones,
right. Cassandra Wilson;
Downtown Jazz headliners

June 25th. 9.00p.m. du Maurier Stage at King and John. The Roy Hargrove Quintet will raise the temperature. An established Toronto favourite, Roy is one of the young turks of the trumpet and has a really hot band with him. $27.50

June 26th. 9.00p.m. du Maurier Stage at King and John. A rare opportunity to hear one of the finest voices in jazz, Ernestine Anderson. $25.00

June 30th. du Maurier Stage at King and John. It is Ellington Year, and one of the stalwarts of that orchestra was Clark Terry on trumpet and flugelhorn. He also has a finely honed sense of humour, as well as being a great musician. He will appear with Jim Galloway and his Wee Big Band in a tribute to the Duke. $25.00

July 2nd. du Maurier Stage at King and John. Rob McConnell and the Boss Brass. If the tent had rafters they would ring to the sounds of this great band. $25.00

July 4th. du Maurier Stage at King and John. Another great Canadian performer, Oliver Jones, will be on hand with his trio. As an added bonus he will have a special guest in the form of trumpet/flugelhorn virtuoso, Guido Basso. $25.00

There it is - a small sampling of du Maurier Downtown Jazz. Please pick up a programme.

Some of the non-festival events in June include:-

June 5th. at 8.00p.m. a concert featuring a singer/songwriter who didn’t start out as a jazz singer, but whose work impresses me more and more each time I hear her - Shirley Eikhard. With her will be Bob Erlendson, piano, Pat Collins, bass and Mark Kelso, drums. River Run Centre, 35 Woolwich St., Guelph. 519.763.3000 $24.00, $22.00.


June 14th. 12.15p.m. Church of the Holy Trinity will be the setting for Music Monday Lunchtime Concert featuring Niagara Brass in a programme of Bartok to Blues. 10 Trinity Square. 598.4521. Free.


The programming for du Maurier Downtown Jazz raises an interesting topic. There is a ten day schedule of concerts, but there is also a full schedule of performances in clubs. So, here is the question.

Is a jazz performance in the Montreal Bistro by Marian McPartland any less valid than a concert hall performance by McCoy Tyner? Is Milt Jackson’s playing in an intimate club less artistic than when he plays with the Modern Jazz Quartet?

Jazz grew out of street parades, dance halls and gaming houses. It was not well regarded in ‘polite’ circles; even the origins of the word itself were suspect. And as for the music, well it was nothing less than an influence for evil. But it formed the recipe for a music that swept the world to the extent that today its influence is everywhere.

Does the ‘respectability’ of a concert hall add something to the music, or does it detract? Is the answer a little bit of each? Were Duke Ellington and Benny Goodman really doing the music a favour when they took it into Carnegie Hall?

It is a topic I would like to examine in future issues and I welcome any comments readers might have. Comments can be sent to me at WholeNote, but for the moment I will simply mention that during the festival, some very noteworthy performances will take place in clubs.

The Montreal Bistro has a formidable array of pianists during the festival - Marian McPartland, Satoko Fujii, Dick Hyman and Ralph Sutton, covering the musical spectrum from stride to avant-garde and to round it out Joey DeFrancesco, one of the new generation of Hammond organists.

At the host hotel, Toronto Colony Hotel, 89 Chestnut Street, two of our local gems, Ian Bargh and Bob Fenton will hold court, accompanying the various guest musicians.

Think musical thoughts.

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In-City and Day trips

The Festival of the Sound celebrates its 20th anniversary by inviting favourite performers back to Parry Sound from July 16 to August 8. The Festival opens the weekend of July 16 with the Hannaford Street Silver Band under Bramwell Tovey, a Saturday tribute concert to the Festival's founders and artistic directors, with Anton Kuerti, Kristine Bogyo, and James Campbell. The chamber music Classics Series runs throughout the Festival: highlights include Anton Kuerti playing Beethoven's Appassionata sonata; Jamie Sommerville and Penderecki String Quartet with Mozart's Horn Quintet in E-flat Major; and, also celebrating their 20th anniversary, the Elmer Iseler Singers with works by Bach, Mozart, and Brahms.

This year is the last you will be able to hear Copland's Appalachian Spring, Bartok's Contrasts, and Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue in the century they were written, and you can hear these and other works in the Celebrating our Century series. Festival premières include Michael Horwood's Quartzite Dialogues, based on the landscape of Parry Sound, and the free Discoveries series. Peter Appleyard picks up the swing with his big band Swing Fever, and pianist Gene DiNovi, vocalist Amy Fanning, clarinetist James Campbell, and others celebrate Duke Ellington's centenary in a concert of his works.

Festival of the Sound's artistic director is James Campbell.

The Elora Festival also celebrates a 20th anniversary this year with an eclectic roster of more than 30 concerts that range from sacred Tibetan music and dance (July 10), to the open air Quarry concerts with Broadway star Tyley Ross (July 21) and the folk and country vocals of Quartette (July 22).

At the centre of Elora is Artistic Director Noel Edison, who conducts the Elora Festival Singers in Beethoven's Missa Solemnis (July 9), in Quartetfest (July 13) and Quartetfest Continues (July 15) with the Penderecki String Quartet, and in Six Bach Motets with members of Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra (July 18). Edison also leads the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir in The Glory of Mendelssohn (July 24).

Other highlights include pianist Angela Hewitt (July 11), Clare College Choir (July 17), a Baroque Bouquet with the Centone Brass (July 21), The Oda Piano Quartet with Mozart's E flat major K.493 and Brahms' C minor op. 60 (July 21), and Heather Toews playing early 20th century solo piano by Ravel, Granados and Bartok (July 22).

The Elora Festival runs July 9 to August 1. For more information call 519 846-0331, fax 519 846-5947, e-mail info@elora.org or visit www.elora.org

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The Huntsville Festival of the Arts serves a seventh season of eclectic offerings of classical, jazz, pop and rock from July 1 to 17. Classical offerings include the Penderecki String Quartet playing Mozart K.421 and Beethoven’s op.59 no.1 (Razumovsky) (July 7), an evening of Johann Strauss in A Night in Vienna (July 10), an evening with opera star Jean Stilwell (July 13), and Bravo Beethoven (July 15).

Jazz and swing acts of note include 1999 Juno winner Johnny Favourite Swing Orchestra (July 2), and Jumpin Jazz with singer Molly Johnson, Joe Sealy and Phil Dwyer (July 16). The Huntsville Festival Symphony plays in Old Blue Eyes and the Duke, a musical tribute featuring Michael Hope, Anna Roman and Norm Amadio (July 9).

For further info phone 1-800-663-ARTS (2787) or 705 788-2787. Or visit their website at www.huntsvillefestival.com

The Guelph Spring Festival runs May 28 to June 6 and serves a variety of chamber music, jazz, roots and world music performers, plus a Streetfest complete with three music stages and bussker on Saturday, May 29.

Classical offerings include John Rutter’s Requiem and Haydn’s Nelson Mass. Sir David Willcocks conducts the Guelph Chamber Choir, Orilla’s Cellar Singers, the Menno Singers, and the Festival Orchestra, with solo vocalists Isabel Bayrakdarian, Elizabeth Turnbull, and others (May 28). The Bach Consort perform a “Bachamalia”—the Brandenburg Concerto no. 5, Cantata 82 Ich Habe Genug, and more (June 1). The Signature Performance concert has violinist Martin Beaver leading The Festival Strings of Canada in Anton Arensky’s Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich’s Chamber Symphony, and the world premiere of...
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Canadian composer Marjan Mozetich's new work, *New Work* (June 6). Mozetich also talks about the work in a pre-performance lecture.

Chamber music highlights include the Amici trio with guest violinist Martin Beaver premiering *Our Finest Hour* by Chan Ka Nin. The concert also features Olivier Messiaen's *Quartet for the End of Time* (May 30). Other highlights: Valérie Tryon plays an evening of Chopin and Lizst (June 2); and The Ying Quartet give a concert of Beethoven, Shostakovitch, and Mozart (June 3).

Jazz guitar legend Sonny Greenwich and his band play May 29, fusion fiddler Mark O'Connor plays June 4, and jazz singer Shirley Eikhard plays June 5. World music offerings at Streetfest include the Tuvan ensemble Yat-Kha, who combine traditional throat-singing with punk guitar and high tech electronics, and progressive edge Cape Breton band Slainte Mhath (slawn-cha va).

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**The Aboriginal Voices Festival** is held at Harbourfront Centre, Toronto. Musical performers include Anishnabe musicians Keith Secola & The Wild Band of Indians on acoustic and electric guitar, vocals and native flute (June 19); female *capella* trio Ulali (June 20); and Inuit rocker Lucie Idlout (June 20).

Call the Harbourfront Centre Info Line at 416 973-3000 or visit www.aboriginalvoices.com or www.harbourfront.on.ca

**The Grand Theatre** in Kingston brings us It's a Grand Summer!, a festival of theatre and music that picks up where the defunct Kingston Summer Festival left off. A new production of the 50s nostalgia trip musical *Grease* hits the boards July 2 to 10. *Blue Champagne* is a stagd flashback to the 1930s and 40s, when swing was broadcast live over radio from rooftop hotel lounges: music from favourite Hollywood musicals and hit parade tunes recreate an era (July 20 to 31). *Anne of Green Gables*, Canada's most successful musical, holds the stage from August 4 to 29.

The Grand Theatre also hosts singer and boogie-woogie piano player Marcia Ball at the launch of the Limestone City Blues Festival on August 26. For prices and schedules call Grand Theatre Box Office 1-800-615-5666, locally 613 530-2050.

**The Sounds in the City** concert series in Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto kicks off with The Dukes of Harmony and the Bobby Herriot Orchestra. Each Wednesday until August 10 the Square will be filled with music, "everything from Aboriginal and African to jazz, Cumbian and Zouk music from the French Caribbean".

Uptown you can catch the *Summer in the Square* series in North York's Mel Lastman Square. The kickoff concert on Canada Day includes the R&B action of the McAuley Boys, flamenco jazz guitarist Robert Michaels, and the Celtic music of The Barra MacNeils from Cape Breton. July 4 to August 29 the "Sunday Serenades" series showcases Big Band, Swing, Latin, and Klezmer, all designed to pull you onto the dance floor. July 4 features are a tribute to Glenn Miller and a 100th anniversary party for Duke Ellington with Anna Romain and the Norman Amadio Orchestra.

For full information call the City of Toronto Event Hotline at 416 395-7350 or visit www.city.toronto.on.ca

**The du Maurier Downtown Jazz Festival** brings swing, blues, funk, maple jazz, avant-garde, jazz voices and more to Toronto Harbourfront Centre and other local venues from June 25 to July 4. See Jim Galloway's Jazz Notes on page 15 for more details.

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**The Georgian Theatre Festival** in Meaford on the south end of Georgian Bay always presents musical fare as part of a larger stage season, and this year is no exception. Pianist John Arpin opens the season June 26 with the traditional Gala Musical Opening of selections from Rodgers and Hart, Jerome Kern, and Scott Joplin. During the summer the festival stages Godspell, one of the most popular musical theatre pieces ever, from July 2 to August 6. The season closes August 15 with another gala featuring Peter Appleyard and his Great Canadian Swing Band.

For further information call the Meaford Town Hall and Opera House 1-888-541-4444; or locally 519 536-3569, or visit www.meaford.com

**Royal Canadian Big Band Music Festival** in London, Ontario features dances and concerts in the spirit of Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians. Events occur all year, but the main festival concerts and dances run June 26 to July 4, with such acts as Tony Barron and His Orchestra in tribute to Guy Lombardo (Canada Day), David Reddoch's tribute to Frank Sinatra with Jim Davey directing the Canadian Modernaires Orchestra (July 2), the Sophisti-cated Swing Orchestra (July 3), and The Bill Sherry Big Band (July 4).

Free dances include the Gerd Cooper Orchestra (June 26), the Margaret Stowe Band (June 30), and the Johnny Noubarian Trio (Canada Day).

Call 1-800-461-BAND (2263) or locally 519 663-9457, e-mail bigband@execulink.com or visit www.pobox.com/~bigband

**Ritmo y Color: A Festival of Latin American Arts** runs July 9 to 11 at Harbourfront Centre, Toronto. Acts include Brazilian "ferro" music of Pernambuco of Cascabullo, Colombia's Bloque; Cuba's La Familia Valera, Miranda, and Zaircno Ricardo Lemvo and his band Makina Loca with their blend of African and Cuban rhythms. Also: the Brazilian Machado Brothers, the Tex-Mex R&B group of New Orleans' The Iguanas; The "Klave Kanadiensi" showcase of Toronto's finest Latin music.

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**The Great Canadian Blues Festival** hits Toronto from July 16-18. Venues include Harbourfront Centre, The Silver Dollar, and The Horseshoe Tavern.

Son Seals and Sy Johnson from Chicago share mainstage concerts with Louisiana Red, Colorado's Otis Taylor, Toronto veterans Curley Bridges and Bobby Dean, and New York dobro maestro Bob Brozman. Canadian acts include Juno blues nominees Fathead, Michael Pickett, Carlos del Junco, and young guitarists Trevor Finlay from Ottawa and Montreal's Steve Hill.

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**The Canadian Organ Festival** is held in Hamilton from July 19 to 23. For further information write Prof. W. Renwick, School of Arts, Drama and Music, McMaster, Hamilton ON L8S 4M4. E-mail renwick@mcmaster.ca or visit www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/renwick/home.htm

**Divs & Dreads** comes to Toronto's Harbourfront Centre July 30 to August 2, just in time for Caribana. Performances include Equatorial Guinea's Afro-pop reggae band Hijas del Sol (July 30); Jazz Jamaica's combination of reggae, ska and jazz (July 31); Burkina Faso-born balafon griot Seydu Zon and Allakomi (Aug 1). Trinidadian soca kings David Rudder and Charlie's Roots perform August 2 before the
Panorama

India...Toward the New Millennium, August 13 to 15 at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre is an Indo-Canadian celebration of traditions and heritage through music, dance, literature, film, handicrafts, cuisine, and more. Musical performers include Dr. Trichy Sankaran on mrdangam, Irshad Khan on sitar, Aditya Verma on sarod, and Aruna Kalle on srangi. Featured vocalists are vocal carnatic singer Bumha Krishman, Hindustani classical and devotional singer Gauri Guha, and Ghazal singer Kiran Ahluwalia.

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Rhythms of the World at Toronto's Harbourfront Centre August 6 to 8 is "an in-depth exploration of musical instruments from around the planet". The festival includes the Portuguese "morna"-style singing of Cape Verde-borne Fantcha, and Angolan singer and guitarist Waldemar Bastos (Aug 6); the Afro-Latin music of Peru's Susan Baca, and Congolese tenor Sam Mangwana (Aug 7); and the guitar and percussion-based Portuguese creole songs of Guinea-Bissau native Lilison Di Kinara. Other highlights include The Kamkars, a nine-member Kurdish family from Iran, the Lau Wing Chuen Chinese Performing Arts Association, les Gitanes de Sarajevo, and the Pham DUCH Thanh Ensemble.

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The Beaches International Jazz Festival takes over Queen St. East in late July. From July 22 to 24 over forty bands will play jazz, calypso, blues, and Latin music along Queen between Woodbine Ave. and Beech Ave. Performers include the Latin music of Gitano and Enriquez, the dixieland of the Pickering Dixieland Band, Ragtime, the swing and big band sounds of Tyler Yarema & His Rhythm, Swing Shift, and Brass Routes, plus blues, bebop, and fusion.

On July 24 and 25 Kew Gardens hosts free concerts from noon to dusk, with each artist allotted a fifty minute set. July 24 sees the likes of Emily-Claire Barlow, Michael Kaeshammer & Guests, Warren Hill, Dominincana, and Lucky Peterson. On July 25 the stage hosts the Pat Labarbera Quartet, the T.S. Monk Sextet, the Johnny巴斯ett Blues Band, the Bill King Sextet, and Sugar Ray Norcia. Souvenir sales support local charities.

Call the Bell Beaches Jazz Festival Hotline at 1-888-277-0796 or visit

The Southern Ontario Chamber Music Institute returns to Oakville from August 8 to 22 and hosts a series of public performances in conjunction with their annual professional-level string quartet school. This year the Penderecki Quartet in a program of Mozart, Beethoven, and composer-in-residence Linda C. Smith on August 12. On August 16 the St. Lawrence Quartet performs a program of Schumann and Schubert with guest artist Marcel Saint-Cyr. And students display their skills at the Student Showcase concert on August 22. All performances are held at Calvary Baptist Church, 1216 Lakeshore Road W., Oakville.

For more information phone 905 527-4068, fax 905 527-0809, or e-mail socmi@hwcn.org

JVC Festival, Aug 20-22 presents both free and ticketed concerts, including Manhattan Transfer and Bill Frisell. More information, late in June.

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**Niagara International Chamber Music Festival**, formerly The Muskoka Lakes Festival, is an offshoot of TSO violinist Atis Bankas’ International School for Musical Arts summer music academy. Program information was unavailable at press time; e-mail music@chamberconcerts.com, or visit www.chamberconcerts.com

**Lighthouse Festival Theatre**, Haldimand-Norfolk’s Summer Theatre in Port Dover on Lake Erie, presents three musical offerings as part of its 20th anniversary stage season. *Summer Garden* is a romantic evening of comedy, dance, and music from the 20s through the 60s (June 8-26). The musical comedy *Bye Bye Broadway* shows the pitfalls of a troupe of actors frantically trying to get their new musical ready for opening night (July 21-Aug 7). And a comedy about teaching the world how to sing, *I Can Sing, Can’t I?* runs August 31 to September 4. For more information call 519 583-2212.

**The Shaw Festival** in Niagara-on-the-Lake presents the musical *A Foggy Day*. Making a return run after last year’s sold out season, this musical is based on P.G. Wodehouse’s novel *A Damsel in Distress* as reworked by Canadian playwright Norm Foster, and features songs written by George and Ira Gershwin. Runs until October 31. Call the box office at 1-800-511-7429 or visit shawfest.sympatico.ca

**The Stratford Festival** stages musical offerings amidst the Shakespearean Richard Ouzounian directs his new musical adaptation of Bram Stoker’s *Dracula*, with music by Mark Norman. Leonard Bernstein’s *West Side Story* stars “Miss Saigon” Ma-Anne Dionisio and “Tommy” Tyley Ross, under the direction of Kelly Robinson.

**The Thornhill Chamber Music Institute**, held at the Toronto Waldorf School in Thornhill, presents public performances in addition to its intensive study programs. This year there’s a very special Cape Breton Heritage Concert with fiddlers Donald MacLellan and David Greenberg, and pianist Doug MacPhee (July 23), as well as two Faculty Concerts: “Homage to Nature,” which includes Cassado’s Green Devils Dance and Beethoven’s Kakadu Trio (July 21); and “Passions & Pleasures,” including Mozart’s Kegelstadt Trio and Kodaly’s Solo Sonata for Cello (July 28). Students perform a Final Gala Concert July 30.

For information call Artistic Director Grotchen Anner at 905 764-1924.

**Ashkenaz Festival of New Yiddish Culture** returns to Harbourfront for its third biennial display of music, theatre, dance, film, visual art, literature, food, and pageantry, from August 30 to Sept 6.

Music performances include the New Yiddish Chorale from New York who perform Love and Struggle: The Musical Legacy of the Jewish Labor Bund, a cultural history of Jewish social activism; the Ashkenaz Orchestra Project, which unites twenty Yiddish musicians in an exploration of Yiddish music interwoven with Middle Eastern, African-American, Roma and New Music in six new works (Sept 1 and 2). Moroccan cantor Emil Zrihan and his 9-piece ensemble demonstrate the Sephardic musical tradition which has made him a break-through artist on the world music scene (Sept 6).

New York jazz trumpeter Dave Douglas (Down ‘n’ Out, 1998; Jazz Artist of the Year) and his group Chansons of the Night Sky premiere a new work in homage to clarinetist Dave Tarras (Sept 1 and 2). The Klezmer Conservatory Band plays Aug 30. New York’s Brave Old World and David Krakauer’s Klezmer Madness are also featured (Sep 4).

Beloved Canadian mainstays The Flying Bulgar Band are taking their music in new directions with the release of their fourth CD *Tsirkus at the Festival* on September 5. New York’s Frank London and Greg Wall’s Hasidic New Wave, and Marty Ehrlich’s Darkwoods Ensemble will present the “edgy” side of New Yiddish Music.

For tickets call 416 973-4000, or e-mail ashkenaz@ocho-on.net

The Niagara Peninsula’s **Showboat Festival Theatre** presents two musicals this summer. *All Grown Up* uses popular songs of the day to present the experiences of three women growing up in the 50s through the 70s. June 30 to July 11. *Blue Suede Shoes* is a revue set to the music of Elvis Presley and devised by Artistic Director Burton Lancaster. August 25 to September 5.

Held at The Roselawn Complex, Port Colborne ON. Call 905 834-0833 or 1-888-870-6181, fax 905 834-4225, or visit www.showboatalex.com

**Further Afield**

**Ontario**

**The Ottawa Chamber Music Festival**, weighing in at 84 concerts, is now North America’s largest chamber music festival. This year’s Festival begins with world-renowned violinist Cho-Liang Lin (July 24), and presents the first Ottawa performance by champi-ons of new music The Kronos Quartet (July 25). Other highlights are Angela Hewitt, Amanda Forsyth, Martin Beaver, Anton Kuerti, and a new group of Andrew Dawes (Orford Quartet), The O’Reily, Dawes, Katz Trio. Piano Six is a unique event that the Festival is particularly proud of. Six top Canadian pianists (Jon Kimura Parker, Angela Hewitt, Marc-André Hamelin, Janina Fialkowska, André Laplante, and Angela Cheng) will play a special fundraising concert for the Festival itself. The Tokyo String Quartet concludes the Festival on August 7 with flutist Joanna Gfoerster.

Fans of Shelagh Rogers and Take Five listeners may wish to take advantage of the contest run in conjunction with the Ottawa Chamber Music Festival. Listeners are asked to write to Shelagh to say which piece of chamber music is, in their opinion, the greatest in the world. Contest winners receive airfare, accommodation, and Festival passes, and Shelagh will read out the best entries on a special broadcast on July 16. Listen to CBC Radio Two for details.

**For full schedule information 613 234-8008; fax 613 234-7692; e-mail: ocmf@cyberus.ca; www.chamberfest.com**

**Festival Alexandria** holds a series of Sunday afternoon “Chamber Music in the Barn” concerts from June 20 to August 1. Held in a century-old barn in the second concession of Kenyon, just south of Alexandria in eastern Ontario, these informal concerts allow artists and patrons to mix afterwards over lemonade and cookies. June 20 vocalists Shannon Mercer and Teresa Vanderhoeven perform Handel and Luzzaschi, accompanied by harpsichordist Christopher Jackson; June 27 violinist Linda Rosenthal and pianist Lauretta Altman play Copland, Foss and Franck. Other concerts feature the Canadian premiere of the Florey Sonata for unaccompanied cello, a series of “novel” 19th century works, and “Fun with the Tuba.”

Contact Laurie Altman at 514 484-9076.
BEHIND THE SCENES

by Dawn Lyons

Maybe all the world’s a stage, but not all the men and women are merely players. Some are stagehands—in the wings, at the control panels, in the sound booths, and just behind the curtain, setting up the stage, turning on lights, opening the curtain and making the magic happen. Around here, they often belong to the International Association of Theatrical and Stage Employees (IATSE) Local 58.

I’m sitting in the control booth at the back of the George Weston Recital Hall in the Ford Centre for the Performing Arts. The intermission is just ending and a disembodied contralto voice wonders, “Latecomers all in?”

Head Technician Bill Nalepka replies into a telephone handset: “We’re finished here.”

The unseen voice seems content.

Bill reaches across his panel (there are approximately three-quarters of a million little black and red switches on it) and, like magic, it happens. The theatre goes dark, the stage blazes up like the first sunrise, the audience breaks into applause and Garrick Ohlsson strides across to the Steinway like Paul Bunyan stepping up to his next tree. The program, The Romantic Piano, Liszt and Schubert, is one of the “reclaimed” Ford Centre concerts.

Me: Hi, Bill, what was tonight’s set-up like?

Bill: Not much really. There was a pre-concert lecture at 7:00, so I was here at 6:30. We had rolled the piano onto the stage on Friday so all I had to do tonight was mike and light for the speaker.

Out in the hall, Garrick Ohlsson is reducing Liebesbotschaft to kindling.

Me: This hall has variable acoustics, doesn’t it? Do you actually change them for each show, or is there one all-purpose configuration?

Bill: We adjust for every show. For the piano tonight we need a fairly dry hall, not too much reverb. Last night we had the Toronto Youth Wind Orchestra, 50 wind and brass, so we needed the driest hall possible. All the panels (the gestures at the trademark golden squares that back the stage) were turned to the cloth side, and the curtains around the hall (he points above the mezzanine) were closed.

Me: Sometimes you have a lot of stagehands here, sometimes it’s just you. How does that work?

Bill: Depending on the requirements of the show, we might need lighting techs, sound techs, guys to move stuff. This is a recital hall; we mostly do concerts, not full staging, so our lighting and sound is minimal.

Me: So you wouldn’t have props or scenery either?

Bill: “Sometimes—once we built a skyline of Toronto for a corporate meeting Ford was having here, but usually it’s risers, chairs and music stands.

Me: The Ford Centre is a union house. What does that mean?

Bill: “Do you work for the union or the Ford Centre?”

BILL NALEPKA: HEAD TECHNICIAN, FORD CENTRE

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Quebec and Maritimes

MONTREAL CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL
Info Phone: 514-483-7444

THE LAMEQUE INTERNATIONAL BAROQUE MUSIC FESTIVAL on Lameque Island in northeastern New Brunswick has quietly grown over the past three decades. Between July 29 and August 3 the festival presents La Mission Saint-Charles with an evening of Bach’s Brandenburg Concertos I and V and the Cantata Wacht auf! (July 29 and 30), harpsichordist Rinaldo Alessandrini playing a program of Frescobaldi, Rossi, and Bach (July 31), and the Arion Ensemble playing Vivaldi motets and concertos (Aug 1).

Festival Orford-
Centre d’Arts, Orford. Quebec, July 2 to August 14. 1-888-310-3665; 819 843-9871; www3.sympatico.ca/arts.ordor

Festival international du Domaine Forget (June 11 and after);

418 452-3535 x 876; www.cite.net/dforget

Festival de musique de chambre de la Baie des Chaleurs, Dalhouse and Benjamin River, New Brunswick. July 8 to 11 1-888-414-5111

MONTREAL JAZZ FESTIVAL / FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL DE JAZZ DE MONTRÉAL is a fitting final entry to our list. It is the largest jazz festival in Canada, now celebrating its twentieth anniversary (July 1 to 10). Montreal hosts Mark Isham’s homage to Miles Davis (July 1); Buddy Guy and Jimmy Vaughan (July 1); pianist/vocalist Diana Krall fronting a 30-piece orchestra (July 2); Archie Shepp and Horace Parlan (July 3); the Branford Marsalis Quartet and special guests Sum Newsome and Global Unity (July 3); Jan Garbarek with the Hilliard Ensemble (July 4); the Dave Brubeck Quartet, and Dave Brubeck with Big Band Diva (July 5); Oliver Jones playing four nights at the Theatre du Nouveau Monde, once with the Stephen Barry Band (July 7-10), the Art Ensemble of Chicago (July 9); and local fave Karen Young’s homage to Ella Fitzgerald with Renee Lee and the Vic Vogel Big Band (July 10).

For information call 514 871-1881 or visit www.montrealjazzfest.com
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envisioned it as the subject for a Music Garden - a contemplative place to hear the performance of music, but more than that, a magic landscape that is literally “set to music.”

Messervy designed the garden’s six areas to correspond to the six movements in the suite: The Prelude is “an undulating riverscape”, the Allemande “a forest grove of wandering trails”, the Courante, “a swirling path through a wildflower meadow,” the Sarabande, “a conifer grove,” the Minuet, “a formal flower parterre” and the Gigue, “giant grass steps that dance you down to the outside world.”

Between the inspiration and its realization, much has transpired. It was to have been located in Boston, but for some reason the plan fell through. When Jim Fleck, the entrepreneurial visionary president of Harbourfront Foundation and The Art Gallery of Ontario got wind of this development, he enlisted the support of Toronto’s Parks and Recreation Department and undertook the launching of a $2 million fund-raising campaign.

The rest, however, is not quite history yet. Yes, the landscaping has been done, the footpaths have been built, most of the planting has been done, and the park will be ready for visitors June 10. The fund-raising, however, is not yet complete.

Enter Musica Viva, the ensemble gracing our cover this month. Jim Fleck has been a “friend” of Musica Viva for a long time. He is also a patron of the North York Symphony (now Toronto Philharmonia), in which Musica Viva oboist, Senia Trubashnik, is the first chair oboist. Fleck needed a pianist to accompany Yo-Yo Ma at a private fund-raising party and dinner for the Music Garden in January when Ma was here to perform at Roy Thomson Hall with violinist, James Ehnes and asked Musica Viva pianist, Cecilia Ignatieff. This was the first Ignatieff had heard about the garden, and the concept immediately fired her imagination: “The very idea of it coming to Toronto, the sort of thing that usually happens in European cities, really excited me” she said. “It reminded me of the Napoleon vision of Paris—something beautiful, to be a kind of beneficient influence on everyone, not just the privileged few. I suggested to my Musica Viva colleagues that we do a fund-raiser for it.”

What they have come up with is a concert without an intermission to be followed by a reception and a silent auction. Among the items on which you can bid will be three extraordi­nary works of art by the young Russian-Canadian artist, Sofie Sonin as well as CDs, books, restaurant meals and, yes, a lifetime subscription to the WholeNote.

This will be Musica Viva’s only Toronto concert this year. The group stopped produc­ing a Toronto concert series several years ago when the number of its out of town engagements, both in Canada and the U.S. and in Europe, began to increase. The repertoire they are presenting on June 13 is what they plan to take on their European tour this summer.

The group’s success Ignatieff modestly attributes to “dogged persistence”, although the excellence of their playing might also have something to do with it. Ignatieff was one of the youngest recipients of a Royal Conservatory of Music gold medal for top marks in her A.R.C.T. examination. Senia Trubashnik was for many years the first oboist in the Moscow Philharmonic before leaving the Soviet Union in 1972. The other Russian expatriate in the ensemble, cellist, Grigory Goldberg was born into an “atmosphere rich in music and art” and learned to play the piano and cello at an early age. Since coming to Canada in 1980 he has studied at the Banff School of Fine Arts and at Indiana University and has been principal cellist in the National Ballet of Canada Orchestra. Flutist, Vicki Blecha, has studied with such eminent exponents of her instrument as Jeanne Baxtresser, Louis Moyse and AndrŽ Jaunet. She is the principal flute of the Composer’s Orchestra, was for 18 years on the faculty of the Royal Conservatory of Music and now is Director of the Toronto Flute School.

As an ensemble, Ignatieff explains, “we have made a fusion of disparate elements - we’re sort of typical of Canada. Only one of us was actually born here - me. Vicki is from the States and Senia and Grigory are from Russia. We have attempted to play as one organism, but, best of all, we all get along. In fact we have a wonderful time, together, especially when we’re on tour and have the opportunity to enjoy great food and great wine, scenery and civilized places together.”

Musically what Musica Viva wants is to be open to and bring to their audiences a wide spectrum of experience. “There’s just about nothing we won’t tackle” explains Ignatieff. “We don’t feel limited to any period or genre - we play baroque music even though we don’t play period instruments and we have commissioned new works from several Canadian composers, people like Daniel Foley, Laryssa Kuzmenko and Scott McMillan.”

The group did a lot of self-presenting in their earlier years (1980’s) but the engage­ments started to come in much larger numbers after their first CD, “Entre Nous” which also helped them to get their first European tour. “The tours” says Ignatieff “have helped to confirm our own sense of ourselves as a voice worthy of being heard. We know we can hold our own in the international arena.”

Don’t miss them at Victoria College on June 13. (You could take the subway and streetcar down to the Garden when the concert is done.)

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Music Theatre Notes: Big Test for Beatrice

BY BERNARD MARTIN

Beatrice Chancy, the chamber opera successfully premièred last summer by The Queen of Puddings Music Theatre Company, is about to pass the true test of any new opera—a return engagement. There is no shortage of new music theatre in Toronto: witness recent premières by Autumn Leaf Performance and James Rolfe's music draws on Elsewhereless from Tapestry ZebraSchvimgk, Music Theatre, and the Acadians in the last days of merits.

Those who saw the première last summer will be happy to learn that Measha Gosman will repeat the title role she created to critical acclaim. Since Beatrice Chancy's première Gosman has won praise for her mastery and nuance as The New Prioress in the University of Toronto Opera Division Production of Poulenc's Dialogues des Carmélites this winter. Upon finishing her Lead and her stepmother Lustra to murder Francis. All three are arrested and sent to the gallows.

James Rolfe's music draws on blues, jazz, and spirituals to frame librettist George Elliott Clarke's story of African-Acadia in the last days of slavery, set in a little-known period of Canada's history. Beatrice Chancy reworks the story of the 16th century Cenci family of Rome, whose strife represented the corruption at the heart of their society. Beatrice, the daughter of Nova Scotia slave owner Francis Chancy, returns from convent school believing in justice and freedom. Angered by her rebellion, Francis rapes her. Driven by vengeance, Beatrice conspires with her sweetheart Gosman offered the following confirmatory comments.

It's no surprise that Verdi should have exerted a tremendous influence on G&S. Sullivan had known Verdi's music from his first youthful job as organist of Covent Garden and had been the editor of English editions of 'Verdi's most popular operas, including Il trovatore. The anvil rings out loud and clear in Penzance in the sforzando-chords of "Come, friends, who plough the sea" and the abduction scene where concealed choristers manage to sing lustily without being detected is clearly parodied by Sullivan (and Gilbert). "Flair, Continued, next page

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G&S Ghostly Reprise

In last month's WholeNote we mused, tongue only slightly in cheek, on how it felt as though the "ghosts of Gilbert & Sullivan" were haunting all our opera-going that month, most notably the COC's production of Il trovatore where "during the intensely piratical Anvil Chorus we found ourselves helplessly imagining that... the Spanish soldiers were about to... march in, doing deep knee bends and singing "Tarrarara" from Penzance.

From his "ring-side" seat as accompanist of the Children's Opera Chorus performances of Penzance Bruce Urakawa offered the following
**Music Theatre Listings**

**AT&T Centre for the Performing Arts, Phantom of the Opera.**
Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber; directed by Harold Prince. Closes September 26. Pantages Theatre, 244 Victoria St., 872-2222. $50.50 to $92.

**Ballet Creole.** Traditional & contemporary dance & music with steel pan & other instruments. June 1: 1:00 & 8:00; June 2: 1:00 & 8:00; June 3: 1:00 & 8:00; June 4: 1:00 & 8:00; June 5: 1:00 & 8:00. Premiere Dance Theatre, 207 Queens Quay West. 975-4000. $19 to $25.

**Bay Choir of Lesbos. Lord of the Flies.** All-female choir gives this musical presentation of the play by William Golding. July 6 to August 1: 8:00. Music Gallery, 179 Richmond St., 204-1080.

**Canadian Stage Company. Dream in High Park: Rock and Roll.** Nostalgic revisiting of rock's early days. Music by John Gray; directed by Katherine Kaazas. Frank McKay, star performer. Previews from June 29: 8:00. Amphitheatre, High Park & Bloor. 388-3110. PWYC.


**Coro Giuseppe Verdi. Opera Chorus Excerpts.** Excerpts from Wagner: Tannhäuser; Verdi: II Trovatore; Macbeth; Donizetti: Don Pasquale; Mascagni: Cavalleria Rusticana; & more. Opera 800-511-7429. $25 to $93.

**Drayton Festival Theatre. Bye Bye Broadway.** Book & lyrics by Carl Ritchie; music by Ben Moore; directed by Alex Mustakes; music director: Greg Diakun. June 22 to July 17. 519-538-5555. $15 to $26.


**Hummingbird Centre. Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk.** June 8, 9, 10 & 11: 8:00; June 12: 2:00 & 8:00; June 13: 1:00 & 8:00. 1 Front St. East. 393-7465. $20 to $40.


**Lighthouse Festival Theatre. Summer Garden.** Comedy, dance & music from the 20's through the 60's. June 8 to 26. Main & Market Streets, Port Dover. 519-583-2221. $15 to $22.

**Mirvish Productions. Pajama Game.** Directed by Simon Callow; starring Camilla Scott. June 17 to July 24. Monday to Saturday: 8:00; Wednesday & Thursday: 2:00. 35 Fairview Mall Drive. 905-841-0414. $10.

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**Music Theatre Notes.**

**Eugénie!** In February 1880, after the triumphant opening of Pirates of the Caribbean in New York, Sullivan paid into his account $3,129.50, which he then bought $1,286.60 at dates only a week apart. Immediately thereafter, your readers might be interested to know, he and his party proceeded to enjoy a tour of Niagara where..."we went under the falls with guide and proper tarpaulin dresses!" On they travelled to Ottawa to visit with the Governor General, Lord Lorne and his wife Princess Louise, where, at Government House, Sullivan had the thrill of "Toboggoning. " In my time-travelling imagination, I can visualize our CCOC kids as part of that scene. They might have swapped his bowler hat for a Roots cap, but what fun they would have had, then as now, singing those terrific tunes!
Harrison featuring traditional instruments, vocal sounds & spontaneous improvisation. Premiere Dance Theatre, 207 Queen's Quay West, 973-4000. $29, $18. For complete run see Music Theatre listings. 8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Roy Thomson Hall. See June 2.

Thursday June 3
6:45: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Evening Overture. Music by Dvorak. Members of the TSO; Andreas Haefliger, piano. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe, 593-4828. Free with ticket to 8:00pm performance. $4.85.
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Sunday June 6


2:00: Harbourfront Centre. Cafe Friesen, songwriter & guitarist. David Travers-Smith, trumpet; Craig Harley, piano. 235 Queens Quay West. 973-3000. Free.

3:00: High Park Choirs of Toronto. Spring Concert. Matinee performance: Children's, Boys' & Chamber Choirs. Grace Church on-the-Hill, 300 Lonsdale Road. 853-3143. $15, $10.

3:00: In Accord. Baker: Night Thinking (premiere); works by Bach, Domeniconi & Lorca. Danielle Curring, classical guitar; Robert A. Baker, piano; Sandra Churchill, soprano. All Saints Anglican Church, 2850 Bloor St. West. 485-5084. $12, $10.

3:00: Sunday Afternoon Song Recital. Marjorie Sparks, soprano; Brahms: Goldharnr, piano; Barbara Bolte, oboe. Christ Church Deer Park, 1570 Yonge St. 920-5211. $15.

3:00: Toronto Camerata. Camerata Folksong Festival IV. See June 5.


4:30: Great Music at St. Anne's, Abendmusik: That's Amore. Soloists of St. Anne's Choir perform solos and madrigals that celebrate love and spring. St. Anne's Anglican Church, 270 Gladstone Ave. 536-3160. Free.

7:00: High Park Choirs of Toronto. Spring Concert. Evening performance: Concert.
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**7:30: The Aldeburgh Connection. Recital Series: 1st annual Greta Kraus Schubertiad. Schubert: Die schöne Müllerin; other songs. Benjamin Butterfield, tenor; Monica Whicher, soprano; Russell Braun, baritone. Glenn Gould Studio, 250 Front St W. 205-5555. $33,$27.**

**8:00: A Song Recital. John Allin, bass baritone; Dangue Radtke, piano. Music by Carissimi, Handel, Brahms, Mahler, Fauré, Verdi, Copland, Kern and Noel Coward**

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**Monday June 7**


**7:30: Associates of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Five Small Concerts. Music of Brahms, Mozart & Berkely, Joan Watson, French horn; Young-Dae Park, violin; Alayne Hall, piano. Trinity-St. Paul's Church, 427 Bloor St. W. 323-0023. $15,$12.**

**8:00: Duet Vocal Recital. David Playfair & Patricia Haldane, voice. St. Anne's Church, 270 Gladstone. 462-1554. Free will offering.**

**Tuesday June 8**

**1:00: Lunch Hour at St. James. Annual request recital: Durufle: Suite Op.2; Lidon; Sonata; Hollins; Trumpet Minuet. Christopher Dawes, organ. 65 Church St. 364-7865. Free.**

**8:00: Hummingbird Centre. Bring in 'da Noise, Bring in 'da Funk. 1 Front St. East. 393-7465. $40. For complete run see Music Theatre listings.**

**8:00: Music Gallery. CCMC. Paul Dutton, soundsinging; Alayne Hall, piano & synthesizer; John Oswalt, alto saxophone. 179 Richmond St. West. 204-1080. Free.**

**Wednesday June 9**

**12:30: Yorkminster Park Baptist Church. Noonday Recital. Mark Toews CANCELLED, organ. 1585 Yonge St. 925-7312. Free.**

**7:00: J.H.S. Opera Association. Duet Recital: Lucia di Lammermoor. Performers include: Janet-Catherine Dea, Kinga Mitrowska, Robert de Vrij, Ted Labow & others; full orchestra; José Hernández, conductor. Bishop Marrocco Auditorium, 1515 Bloor St. West. 247-4426. $15. For complete run see Music Theatre listings.**


**8:00: Concert of Chamber Music. Mozart: Piano Quartets K.478 in g minor & G3 in Bflat major; Schubert: String Trio D.471 in Bflat; Farah: new work for String Trio. John Kameel Farah, piano; Daniel Kushner, violin; Mary McGee, viola; Andres Weber, cello. Eastminster United, 310 Danforth. 905-793-7787. $10,$7.**

**8:00: I Furioi Baroque Ensemble. Works by Gabrieli, Vivaldi & others. Gabrielle McLaughlin, soprano; Felicity Deak, cello; Timothy Haig, violin. Ettore Mazzoleni Concert Hall, 273 Bloor St. West. 252-8740. Free.**

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**8:00: A Song Recital. John Allin, bass baritone; Dangue Radtke, piano. Music by Carissimi, Handel, Brahms, Mahler, Fauré, Verdi, Copland, Kern and Noel Coward. The Salon 400 Welmer Road (west tower). 926-9194. Collection at the door.**

**8:00: Association of Canadian Women Composers. Ayun Christine Huang, percussion, in Recital. Music by Southam, Ho & other composers for marimba, vibraphone & various world music instruments. Music Gallery, 179 Richmond St. West. 8116. Free.**

**2:00: Toronto Senior Strings. Applebaum: commissioned work for English horn & strings; music by Purcell, Bach, Haydn, Dallai & Porter. Cary Ebi, English horn; Jascha Milks, concert master; Victor Feldbrill, conductor. St. Andrew's Church, 73 Simcoe. 769-5071. $12.**

**6:45: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Classic Intro: Gershwin & American Music. Marin Alsop, conductor; Peter Tiefenbach, host. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe. 593-4828. Free with ticket to 8:00pm performance or $14.85.**

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**8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Adams: The Chairman Dances; Gershwin: Piano Concerto in F; Corigliano: Symphony #1. Andrew Burashko, piano; Marin Alsop, conductor. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe. 593-4828. $21 to $66.50.**

**Thursday June 10**

Saturday June 12


7:30: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Casual Concert. Gershwin: Piano Concerto in F major; Corigliano: Symphony #1. Andrew Burashko, piano; Marin Alsop, conductor. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe. 593-4828. $21 to $42.


Sunday June 13


2:00: Harbourfront Centre. Katherine Wheatley, vocals & guitar; David Woodhead, bass & lap steel guitar; Wendell Ferguson, electric guitar. 235 Queens Quay West. 973-3000. Free.

2:00: Harbourfront Centre. Toronto Music Garden Concert. Performance by musicians from the Glenn Gould Professional School of the Royal Conservatory of Music. Queens Quay West between Spadina and Bathurst. 408-2824 ext.322. Free.


3:00: Mooredale Concerts. Mooredale Youth Orchestras; Kristine Bogoy & Clare Carberry, conductors. Rosedale Heights School, 711 Bloor St. East. 922-3714. $15, $10.

3:00: Music at the Music Garden. Concert & silent auction to benefit the creation of the Toronto Music Garden. Vicki Blecha, flute; Sonya Tubashnik, oboe; Grigory Goldberg, cello; Cecilia Ignatief, piano. Victoria College Chapel, 91 Charles St. West. 782-3116. $25, $40.

8:00: New Music Concerts. Ligeti at 76. Ligeti: Etudes pour piano (selection); Concerto for Violin and Orchestra; Boulliane: Du Fouet et du Plaisir. 7:00: film by Michel Follin. Fujiko Imajishi, violin; Christina Petrowska, piano; Denys Boulliane, guest conductor.

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8:00: Rick Sadrach Laz & Montuno Police. CD Release Concert for The Call. Harmonic & improvisational traditions of North American jazz combined with rhythmic & melodic influences of Afro-Cuban, Brazilian & Arabic music. Special guest artists. du Maurier Theatre Centre, 231 Queens Quay West. $73-4000. $15 (door); $10 (advance).
8:00: Victoria Scholares. Bach, Beethoven, Brahms... & The Boys. Bédard and Budge: world premiere; Byrd: Mass for Three Voices; Brahms: Alto Rhapsody; Britten: The Ballad of Little Muagave and Lady Barnard; works by J.S. Bach, P.D.Q. Bach, Barber, Beethoven, Bernstein & Bruckner. Norine Burgess, mezzo; Jerzy Cichoński, music director. Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 3055 Bloor St. W. 781-7776. $20, $17.

**Tuesday June 15**


**Wednesday June 16**


**Monday June 14**

2:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Roy Thomson Hall. See June 10. $21 to $44.50.

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**Saturday June 19**


8:00: Harbourfront Centre. Sarah Brightman in Concert. Molson Amphitheatre. 970-8000. $38.75 to $58.75.

8:00: Queen of Puddings Music Theatre Company. Beatrice Chancy - The Opera. Music by James Rolfe; music direction by Dáirine Ni Mheadhra & John Hess; Measha Gosman, Lori Klassen & other performers. du Maurier Theatre, 231 Queens Quay West. 973-4000.

**Sunday June 20**

2:00: Harbourfront Centre. Toronto Music Garden Concert. Performance by musicians from the Glenn Gould Professional School of the Royal Conservatory of Music. Queens Quay West between Spadina and Bathurst. 408-2824 ext. 322. Free.

2:30: Canadian Chamber Academy. Bach: Concerto for Two Violins in d minor; Vitali-Respighi: Chiaccona for violin & orchestra; Vivaldi: Two Concertos for violin Op.8; Spring & Summer from Four Seasons. Sadie Fields, violin; Canadian Chamber Academy Orchestra; Alts Bankes, artistic director. Lansing United Church, 49 Bogert Ave. 221-1722.

2:30: S.H.I.M.ie. Variety Show for Father's Day. Mozart: Exsultate Jubilate; opera arias & spirituals. Performers include: Denise Williams, soprano; Steven Henrickson, bass baritone; Tali Aleiv, violin & Marat Maxutov, piano. Studio Theatre, Ford Centre for the Performing Arts, 5040 Yonge St.

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Monday June 21


Tuesday June 22


Wednesday June 23

12:00 noon: Nathan Phillips Square, Sounds in the City Concert. Dukes of Harmony Barbershop Chorus; Bobby Herriot Band. 100 Queen St. West, 395-7650. Free.


8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Mahler: Symphony #3. Petra Lang, mezzo-soprano; Toronto Mendelssohn Choir (women); Toronto Children's Chorus; Jukka-Pekka Saraste, conductor. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe. 933-4828. $42.75 to $72.

Thursday June 24


8:00: Continuum. Singing in Tongues. Works by Maidenik, Ford, Velikonja, Levcovich, Gubaidulina & Lemire. Barbara Hannigan, soprano; Anne Thompson, flute; Peter Stoll, clarinet; Angela Rudden, viola; Paul Winder, cello; Sanya Eng, harp; Rosemary Thomson, conductor. Music Gallery, 179 Richmond St. West, 204-1080. $15, $10.

8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Roy Thomson Hall. See June 23.

Friday June 25

8:00: Coro Giuseppe Verdi, Opera Chorus Excerpts. Excerpts from Wagner: Tannhauser; Verdi: Il Trovatore; Macbeth; Donizetti: Don Pasquale; Mascagni: Cavalleria Rusticana & more. Oksana Bluyt-Isoki & Sepideh Estahjou, sopranos; Beatrice Carpano, mezzo; Tito Deen, baritone; Graciele Boros, piano; Giuseppe Macina, conductor. Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence West, 789-7011. ext. 250. $12, $10.

8:00: Music Gallery, Haanun & Kucharzyk. Haanun: songs for artificial singers; Kucharzyk:

Saturday June 26

1:00: Sine Nomine Ensemble and Friends. Vocal & instrumental music spanning six centuries. Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas West. 979-6608. PWYC.

8:00: Music Gallery, Canadian Electronic Ensemble: Music Minus 2. 179 Richmond St. West. 204-1080. $10, $7.

8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Roy Thomson Hall. See June 23.

Sunday June 27


2:00: Harbourfront Centre.

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3:00: Members of the Elgin String Quartet in Concert. Corey Gemmell, violin; Jonathan Craig, viola; Thomas Mueller, cello. Church of the Redeemer, 162 Bloor St. West. 745-3621. $12.10.
7:00: Mississauga Big Band. Jazz Ensemble, Royal Bank Theatre, 4141 Living Arts Drive. 306-6000. $10.

**Monday June 28**
7:00: Metropolitan United Church. Carillon Concert. Frank Delu, carillonneur. 8:00: Guided tour of the carillon, 56 Queen St. East. 363-0331. Free.
8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Last Night of the Proms. Toronto Mendelssohn Choir; Bramwell Tovey, conductor. Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe. 593-4828. $34.50 to $67.50.

**Tuesday June 29**
8:00: Canadian Stage Company. Dream in High Park. Rock And Roll. Nostalgic revisiting of rock’s early days. Music by John Gray; Katherine Kzasz, director; Frank McKay, star performer. Amphitheatre, High Park & Bloor. 368-3110. PWYC. For complete run see Music Theatre listings.
8:00: Music Gallery. Glass Orchestra. Improvised & composed music on glass instruments. Michael J. Baker, Eric Cadeksky, Paul Hodge & Rick Sacks, percussionists. 179 Richmond St. West. 204-1080. $10.17.
8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Last Night of the Proms. Roy Thomson Hall. See June 28.

**Wednesday June 30**
12:00 noon: du Maurier Downtown Jazz Festival/Toronto Downtown Jazz Society. Sounds in the City Concert. Tabors Johnson Quintet. Nathan Phillips Square, 100 Queen St. West. 395-7350. Free.
2:00 & 8:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Last Night of the Proms. Roy Thomson Hall. See June 28. Matinee $21 to $44.50; evening $34.50 to $67.50.
8:00: Harbourfront Centre. Cassandra Wilson, jazz vocalist. Lonnie Plaxco, bass; Eric Lewis, piano; Jeffrey Haynes, percussion; Marcus Baylor, drums; Marvin Sewell, guitar. Molson Place. 973-4000. $30; $25 (advance).

**Thursday July 1**
12:00 noon: Nathan Phillips Square. Canada Day Concert & Celebration. Choral, traditional folk, Celtic & jazz. Canadian Singers; Anne Laderman & The Come From Every Way Band; J.P. Cormier; Paul Gross & his Music Makers. 100 Queen St. West. 395-7350. Free.
2:00, 3:30, 8:00 & 9:30: VIA Rail Canada Presents Canadian Day. Music includes flamenco, Quebecoise roots, gospel & Cape Breton soul. Performers include Robert Michaels, flamenco guitar; Matapat; Nathaniel Dett Chorale; Bruce Guthro, balladeer. Molson Place, Harbourfront. 973-3000. Free.
7:00: Mel Lastman Square. Canada Day Celebrations. Barra MacNeils, Cape Breton Celtic; McAuley Boys, R&B; Robert Michaels, flamenco guitar. $100 Yonge St. 395-7350. Free.

**Friday July 2**
no listings

**Saturday July 3**
8:00: Harbourfront Centre. Remember SHAKTI. John McLoughlin, jazz guitarist; Zakir Hussain, tabla; special guests: V. Selvaganesh, ghata; U. Shrinivas, mandolin. Molson Place. 973-4000. $25; $20 (advance).

**Sunday July 4**
2:00: Harbourfront Centre. Toronto Music Garden Concert. Performance by musicians from the Glenn Gould Professional School of the Royal Conservatory of Music. Queens Quay West between Spadina and Bathurst. 408-2824 ext. 322. Free.
3:00: Toronto Symphony Orchestra. Roy Thomson Hall. See July 3.
4:00: St. James Cathedral. Summer Sunday Concert: Bruce Neswick, organ. 4:30: Choral Evensong with Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir. 65 Church St. 384-7865. Free.
7:30: Mel Lastman Square. Sunday Serenade: Canadian Tribute to Glenn Miller. 22-piece band. 5100 Yonge St. 395-7350. Free.

**Monday July 5**
8:00: Boychoir of Leesburg. Lord of the Flies. All-female choir gives this musical presentation of the play by William Goldman. Music Gallery. 179 Richmond St. 204-1080. For complete run see Music Theatre listings.

**Tuesday July 6**

**Wednesday July 7**

**FURTHER AFIELD**

**Festival Alexandria:**
All concerts are at 3:00pm at the old barn in the second concession of Kenyon, just south of the town of Alexandria, Ontario. 514-484-9076. $12.99 (group rate).
* June 20 3:00: Music of Handel & Luzzasco. Shannon Mercer & Teresa Vanderhave, voice; Christopher Jackson, harpsichord.
* June 27 3:00: Music of Copland, Foss & Franck. Linda Rosenthal, violin; Lauretta Altman, piano.
* July 4 3:00: Clarinet music from Brahms to Klesmer, Mark Simon, clarinet; Mathew Horskowitz, piano and friends.

**Festival of the Sound:**
Parry Sound Ontario:
* July 1 7:00: Annual Canada Day Birthday Cruise & Fundraiser: John Arpin, piano. Ragtime, jazz, bebop, film & stage songs, standards & classics. 3-hour sunset cruise aboard the Island Queen. 705-746-2410. $25; $7; children under 5 free.

**Georgian Theatre Festival:**
Meaford Ontario:

**Guelph Spring Festival:**
All concerts are at the River Run Centre, 35 Woolwich St., Guelph, unless otherwise.
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... Guelpf Spring Festival mentioned. 519-763-3000.
* June 1 8:00: Bechstein. Bach: Brandenburg Concerto #5; Cantata #82 Ichi Hobe Genug; Cantata #202 Wedding; motets; Air for Strings, Monica Whichar, soprano; Elizabeth Turnbull, contralto; Tectus Vocal Ensemble; Bach Consort. $20, $17.
* June 2 1:30: Ice Cream: Quartetto Gelato. Chamber music, tangos, operatic airs & gypsy folk tunes performed on oboe, violin, viola, cello, accordion, guitar & tenor voice. $20, $17.
* June 2 8:00: The Great Romantics. Chopin: Barcarolle Op.60; Twelve Studies Op.25; Liszt: Sonetto del Parnaso #8 12 & 104; Seven Studies from Etudes Transcendental. Valerie Tryon, piano. $20, $17.
* June 3 8:00: Ying on Strings. Beethoven: Quartet in G major Op.18 #2; Shostakovich: Quartet #9 in E flat Op.117; Mozart: Clarinet Quintet in A major K.581. Joaquin Valdepeñas, clarinet; Ying Quartet. $20, $17.
* June 4 8:00: Fiddle Fusion. Classical chamber music & country fiddling. Mark O'Connor, violin, guitar & mandolin; Festival Strings of Canada. $24, $22.
* June 5 8:00: Going Home. Shirley Eikhard, vocals; Bob Eldredon, piano; Pat Collins, electric & acoustic bass; Mark Kelso, drums & percussion. $24, $22.
* June 6 8:00: Signature Performance. Mozartsch: new work (world premiere); Arensky: Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky Op.35a; Shostakovich: Chamber Symphony; Wirden: Saronod Op.11. Festival Strings of Canada. Martin Beaver, leader. $24, $22.
* June 6 10:00pm: Kollar Michaels Duo. George Koller, acoustic bass; Julie Michaels, vocals. Free.

**Honourable Mentions**

Café at the Centre, 454 Parliament St. 925-7222. Free. Atmosphere is cozy, candlelit 60s-coffeehouse with coffee, herb tea & home-baking.
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Guelpf Spring Festival 519-763-3000. The following performances take place in non-traditional venues during the festival:
* June 2 10:00pm: Derek Hines Quartet. Derek Hines, jazz vocals; Ian Ring, piano; Mark McIntyre, bass; Colin McVey. Van Gogh's Ear, 10 Wyndham Street North. Free.
* June 3 10:00pm: Kevin Barrett Trio. Jazz & Latin standards; original compositions. Kevin Barrett, guitar; Mark Shannon, bass; Mark Congram, drums; Vivienne Williams, vocals. Carden Street Cafe, 40 Carden Street. Free.
* June 4 10:00pm: Santiel. Traditional songs from the Middle East & Europe. Jennifer Moore; voice; John Gzowski, oud & cello; Julia Aplin, accordion & tamboura; Jeff Wilson, percussion. Diana Dining Room & Coffee Shop, 141 Wyndham St. North. Free.
* June 5 10:00pm: Northern City Limits. Bluegrass quartet. Acpoa Salon, 78 Wyndham Street North. Free.
* June 2: Bill McBirnie, flute; Don Naduriak, piano. One of Canada's finest flutists, who has played with the likes of Herbie Mann, Art Blakey, Dizzy Gillespie & James Moody, is joined by pianist Don Naduriak, whose credentials include a stint with Eartha Kitt. This evening features Brazilian and Latin music, with bop, swing & originals.
* June 16: Kurt Lundo, alto sax; Roy Patterson, guitar. A saxophonist who has played in the Beaches and Yorkville Jazz Festivals teams up with one of Canada's greatest jazz guitarists. An evening of jazz standards.

**Late Listings**

* June 26 8:00: Yoon-ha (Jenny) Choi, piano, in Recital. Music by Liszt, Bach & Beethoven. Christ Church Deer Park, 1570 Yonge St. 925-3504. $10.47.

**Behind the Scenes with Bill Nalepka**

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Bill: Like all department heads here, I am a full-time employee of the Ford Centre, and I'm an IATSE member. In fact, I do work for the union, too, I fill in for the IATSE business manager sometimes, but here I report to the Technical Director.

Me: Who decides what gets done?

Bill: The Technical Director, Yvette Drumgold, and I. We go over the schedule together and decide how many stagehands we'll need for each performance. We advise the union's business manager of our requirements and he fills the jobs according to seniority and ability.

Me: Is the union a contractor, then?

Bill: No, it's a hiring hall. The stagehand is employed by the theatre. You can get a lot of $4's at the end of the year!

Me: What's a bad day?

Bill looks blank.

Me: You know, a nightmare, a disaster, the show from hell?

Bill considers. "Well," he says, "sometimes a show is not what we expect. We've had some rough rehearsals, but we haven't had a bad performance. The only difficult times are when people don't communicate."

I prod: "Is there anybody you wish wasn't around?" Bill looks confused. I try again: "Do you say, 'Oh, no, not another high school band concert, not another accordion school recital'?"

Bill thinks hard, looks apologetic that he can't give me any bad news. "Most of our shows are travelling performers. They're pretty well organized and we rarely have any problems. They tell us well in advance what they need and we know what's possible and what's not." He brightens up. "Well, one time Garrick Olsonson DID forget his cumberbund, so we used my Phantom scarf, we folded it so it looked like a cumberbund... We have local groups who are regulars, like the Toronto Philharmonia (formerly the North York Symphony) and the Amadeus Choir, we've worked together many times and we know their requirements. For the school groups and other shows who haven't had much experience here, they'll often ask us what they should be doing. If we give them advice and they do what we ask, it works out great."

Me: What do you tell them to do?

Bill: Program so that the stage is used efficiently. It's better to be constantly adding or constantly subtracting, rather than the great stagehand flail between pieces. Start with the full orchestra, subtract to the string quartet during the first half, and after the intermission build back up to the full orchestra. I keep prodding. "And if they don't take your advice?"

Bill looks uncomfortable. "Umm, their show becomes a series of scene changes instead of a program of music. We would..."
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four years ago, when, with guitarist Wilma van Berkell, she
headed the North Toronto Institute of Music, which offers a
high level of instruction within easy reach of students who live in
the northern part of the city.

Mary Kenedi's next solo recital in Toronto will be on June 9
at the St. Lawrence Hall. No
ordinary concert, this one is to
raise funds for the restoration of the
cottage in Sarsac Lake, New
York, where Béla Bartok lived
during the last year of his life and
comprised his last works. The
cottage, which had been ne­
eglected to the point that it was
near collapse, would have been
demolished in 1995 except for
the intervention of the local
historical society. Some essential
work, like repairing the roof and
bracing the structure has been
done, but between $20,000 and
$50,000 (U.S.) will be needed to
completely restore the building,
and make it a permanent
memorial to the great composer.

Mary attended Miss Bates' piano
school in New York, where they
stayed a short
time before coming to . Toronto.

In Toronto she established
an outstanding career as a teacher
of the piano at the Royal Conser­
vatory of Music, where she is
still a member of its board of
examiners. Her teaching career,
however, took a new direction
like to be as unobstructive as
possible; a ten minute scene
change can be very wearing."

Well, now I know. A stagehand's
worse nightmare is to be seen
working.

Me: Speaking of behind the scenes,
wasn't Latine a major factor in
keeping the Ford Centre going
through the LIVENT trouble?

Bill is uncomfortable again. I
guess I caught him working.
"Well," he admits, "we helped
the city meet the budget figures
to make the shows happen. You
can't run this space without
techs. It was a win-win situation
and we're all here and making it
happen." He quickly steps out of
the spotlight. "The artists are not
working for their usual conditions
in order to accommodate the
season. The city decided this hall
couldn't go dark, its reputation
couldn't be paused."

Me: How did you get into this
line of work?

Bill grins: I'm the guy who
wanted to set up the projector in
grade four. I was on the stage
crew in high school, and then I
got to Ryerson for Theatre Production. I graduated in '86
and worked odd calls with the
union—ballet, opera, rock 'n roll shows, corporate events. You
demonstrate to the union that you can be part of a team and have
the aptitude. I got my apprenticeship in '89 and then I
did Phantom from July of '89 to
March of '93. In July of '93 I
saw the posting for Head Technician here. I'd always
wanted my own house—the planning and making a difference
that way—and the variety. I
applied and got it and here I am.

Me: You like your job?

Bill: I love my job, I love what I
do. I'm happy to come to work
every day. I like the idea that
when I come in to work, the stage
is empty, and when I go home at
night, the stage is empty. In
between there might have been a
symphony orchestra in the hall, a
large corporate meeting, a
recording session, or just a
simple recital. It's all happened
and everything's been put away,
all ready for it to happen again.

Musician in our midst: Mary Kenedi

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 1 7:00: Mississauga Symphony free open rehearsal. Pre-race event (see June 6 below). Living Arts Centre, 4141 Living Arts Drive. Call Nisha at the symphony office: 905-615-4404.

June 2 6:30: The Toronto Symphony Orchestra welcomes world-renowned winemaker Miguel Torres for an outstanding dinner. Guests will enjoy a variety of Torres wines, and proceeds will go to support the Symphony. Four Seasons Hotel, 21 Avenue Road. Ticket information & reservations, call 922-2237. $200.

June 4 & 5 8:00: Etobicoke Community Concert Band & Etobicoke Swing Orchestra present an evening of big band music & dancing. Debi Sander Walker, guest singer; John Edward Liddle, bandleader. Fountain Bellroom, Queen Elizabeth Building, Exhibition Place. 233-7468. $15.

June 5 10:00am: Mississauga Symphony C/Homes Tour. Tour 7 Mississauga homes. Includes 15-minute fashion show at each home with an expert about the house. $20.

June 5 & 19: 9:00: Galaxy All-Star Swing Time featuring the Galaxy All-Star Swing Band, directed by Eddie Graf. Special guest stars each week. Palais Royale, 1601 Lakeshore Blvd. West, 532-6210. May 15: $20 (Special Sinatra Salute); other dates: $15. (Group reservations).

June 6 10:00am: Mississauga Symphony's Best Beethoven Fun Run Opus #2. Second annual fundraising walk/run for the Mississauga Symphony. Live music around the course by Mississauga Youth Orchestra ensembles; free performance of Beethoven Symphony #5 by Mississauga Symphony at the awards ceremony. 905-615-4404.

June 13 2:00: Toronto Early Music Players Association. Annual Silver Tea and Silent Auction. Members of TEMPO will be performing throughout the afternoon. 85 Glen Grove Ave. West. 450-0225. Admission by donation.

June 17 6:00: Ashkenaz, Kensington Cabaret: Black-tie fundraising gala in support of Ashkenaz: A Festival of New Yiddish Culture (Harbourfront Centre August 30 to September 6). Joel Grey, master performer, presents a concert in Yiddish & English backed by 17­ piece orchestra. Coctails, dinner & show. Sheraton Centre, Grand Ballroom, 123 Queen St. West. 703-6882. $200 & up.

The Amadeus Choir invites entries for their 13th Annual Carol and Chanukah Song Writing Competition, open to composers of all ages & experience, individually or in groups. Entries must be postmarked by September 20, 1999 and received no later than October 4, 1999. Information or entry forms: 448-0188.

LECTURES

June 6 7:00: Guelph Spring Festival. Mozetich's Music. Composer Marian Mozetich talks about his approach to the composition of his new work inspired by the various musical achievements of this turbulent and eclectic century. Canada Company Hall, River Run Centre, 35 Woolwich St. 519-763­3000. Free.

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