



*Our
Hearts
Sing
On*

**High
Spirits
Choir**

with special guests:

Phil Belanger, percussion
Brent Gubbels, bass
My Lady's Chamber,
vocal ensemble

Sunday January 24, 2010 3:30 pm
Unity Church 5840 Oak, at 42nd Ave.

High Spirits Choir * Winter Concert * January 24, 2010

Brightly Dawns our Wedding Day from 'The Mikado' by Gilbert and Sullivan
Ensemble: My Lady's Chamber

I Feel the Burst of Spring in My Heart Sarah and Gil Jaysmith
Ensemble: My Lady's Chamber

California Dreamin' The Mamas & the Papas, arr. Sarah Jaysmith
Ensemble: My Lady's Chamber

Sorida: A Zimbabwe Greeting Rosephanye Powell
Soloists: Pat Dutcher-Walls, Robin Attas, Trina Barclay, Alexa Booth

Locus Iste Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

Tell My Ma When I Go Home Irish children's street song, arr. Jon Washburn
Soloists: Trina Barclay, Claire Lloyd, Tegan Adams, Sara Young

Siriri Brazilian folk song, arr. Daniel Rufino Afonso, Jr.

I'm Gonna Live 'Til I Die Tom Metzger

Benedictus Camille Saint-Saëns (1835–1921), arr. Robert Sieving

O Magnum Mysterium César Alejandro Carrillo

I'll Be Seeing You Sammy Fain and Irving Kahal, arr. Darmon Meader

* Intermission *

Coppia Reale Orazio Vecchi (1550–1605)

Two Japanese Proverbs Gary Kent Walth

The Peace of Wild Things Joan Szymko, poem by Wendell Berry

Crazy Little Thing Called Love Freddy Mercury (1946–91), arr. Sarah Jaysmith

I Get Along Without You Very Well Hoagy Carmichael (1899–1981)
arr. Paris Rutherford

Soloist: Callum MacLeod

Taking a Chance on Love Vernon Duke, John LaTouche, Ted Fetter
arr. Darmon Meader

Soloists: Trina Barclay, Simon Hunkin

Irish Blessing music by Joyce Eilers Bacak (b. 1941), trad. Irish text

Special thanks to our guest instrumentalists:

Phil Belanger (percussion)

Brent Gubbels (bass)

Our appreciation also goes out to Holly Jones for organizing the concert and volunteers, to Andy Rose for the program and concert poster, and to Unity Church, for their continued support and encouragement.

High Spirits Community Choir

Ieva Wool, music director

Carrie Lee, accompanist

1st Sopranos

Amy Ash
Anne-marie Thorne
Holly Jones
Julie Anne Mainville

Michelle Dall
Pat Dutcher-Walls
Sara Forsey
Sonia Osborne

2nd Sopranos

Ann Buckerfield
Chantal Pekarek
Cynthia Petrakis
Joy Anson

Kathy Torvik
Nikta Fay
Robin Attas
Sandy Stobbe

1st Altos

Caroline Bates
Claire Lloyd
Daphne Tsai
Deborah Haessner

Joy Twist
Sara Young
Shannon Rolph
Tara Gaertner

2nd Altos

Alexa Booth
Brandie Boyce
Carla Zimmerman
Karen Kohfeld

Rachel Sawatzky
Ros Coulson
Tegan Adams
Trina Barclay

1st Tenors

Raymond Langcaster
Simon Hunkin

Susan Braverman

2nd Tenors

Dale Sweet
Fred Samorodin

Richard McMahon
Rino Marrone

Baritones

Callum MacLeod
James Clendenen

Lance Coombe
Max Pinsky

Basses

Barney Lee
Jurgen Stumper

Martin Gerson
Roger Moss-Norbury

My Lady's Chamber

Akiko Hara
Catherine Shaw
Sara Forsey
Christina Gutmanis
Heather D'Oyley
Renate Preuss

Andy Rose
Dale Sweet
James Ceaser
Callum MacLeod
Martin Gerson
Roger Moss-Norbury

Two Japanese Proverbs

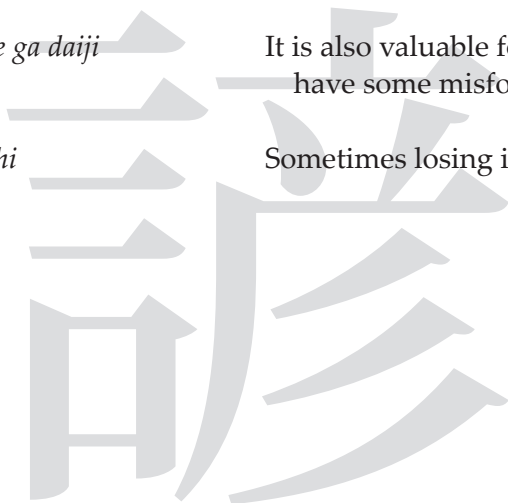
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Hito wa ochime ga daiji

It is also valuable for people to
have some misfortune.

Makeru ga kachi

Sometimes losing is winning.



Coppia Reale – Royal Couple

Orazio Vecchi (1550–1605)

*Coppia, coppia reale e bella,
In cui hoggi si vede,
Pari valor'e fede.
Questi odorati fiori,
Sien fortunati auspici
De frutti alm'e felici,
Che'l mondo ancor godrà de vostri
amori.
Quest'è la vostra gloria,
Ogn'un gridi,
Vittoria.*

To the beautiful royal couple,
Today we see in them
A match of worth and fidelity.
Fragrant flowers,
Favourable omens,
Of fruitfulness and happiness
Which the world will enjoy in
your love.
This is your glory,
Everyone calls out to you –
Victory!

The Peace of Wild Things

Setting by Joan Szymko
of the poem by Wendell Berry (b. 1934)

When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting with their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.



Thanks to our supporters!

High Spirits Choir is one of many arts organizations that recently lost provincial funding, which had for several years helped us maintain a balanced budget. *No singer is ever turned away from the choir for financial reasons.* Despite trimming our budget as much as possible, we still face a shortfall of \$8,000 for our current fiscal year.

In the fall, we started a fundraising campaign, and would like to thank the many individuals who have made personal donations to pay for music scores, rehearsal hall rental and scholarships.

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| ✓ Lady's choir blouse | \$35 |
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| ✓ A set of scores (music) for a new song | \$250 |
| ✓ One year's website operation | \$400 |
| ✓ One season's cost for our rehearsal space | \$1,120 |

High Spirits Choir

Ieva Wool (ee'eh vah)

Music Director

Ieva Wool is a gentle and light-hearted conductor and singing teacher, with a passion for having fun and building community. She brings her 25 years of experience as a trainer, group facilitator and Gestalt therapist to her choirs and students.

Ieva's singers learn a lot, and have fun doing it. Visit her website at www.gottasing.ca

Carrie Lee

Accompanist

Carrie Lee has been accompanying choirs since she was eleven years old. A talented pianist and skillful musician, Carrie supports, anticipates, encourages, fills in, drums, improvises, and helps to make the magic happen in many ways. Carrie is an elementary music school teacher in Burnaby.

Do You Love to Sing?

High Spirits Choir welcomes new singers in February for its spring season. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00–9:30. Good choral experience is a must and reading music is an asset.

Contact Susan at (604) 781-7704, info@highspiritschoir.ca or visit our website at www.highspiritschoir.ca.

Love High Spirits but want something that's not so demanding? Consider one of our sister choirs, Simple Gifts (Tuesdays 7:30–9:30) or Afternoon Delight (Thursdays 1:00–3:00), also conducted by Ieva.

Contact her at (604) 732-7418, ieva@gottasing.ca, or www.gottasing.ca.

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