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present

* 2023 FaithWorks *

Christmas Concert

December 17 @ 4:00PM

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Denise Williams



Twylite
Caribbean
Band

Featuring

Guest Speaker
Archbishop
Fred Hiltz

Randy Vancourt as MC

and Douglas Von Edelmann

Jan Morgan



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Program

Wizards in Winter

arranged by Jennifer Eklund

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

God Bless You, Jerry Mentlemen

By Randy Vancourt.

Angels We Have Heard on High

Verse 1

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

Chorus

Gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Verse 2

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song

Chorus

Verse 3

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him Whose birth the angels sing
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King

Chorus

Verse 4

See within in a manger laid
Jesus Lord of Heav'n and Earth
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid
With us sing our Savior's birth

French original; English paraphrase by James Chadwick, 1862. Public Domain.

A Lute Carol

Mary Caldwell, Ben MacDonald

Maria Wiegenlied

by Max Reger

Gesu Bambino

by Pietro Yon arranged by Mark Hayes

Mary Did You Know

Buddy Greene (Twylite Band)

First Noel

Carols, New and Old (1879). Public Domain.

Christmas Medley

arr. By Douglas Von Eldermann

Dormi Jesu

Chilean lullaby arranged by Jacqueline B Hairston.

La Nanita Nana

Spanish lullaby by José Ramón Gomis arr by Mark Hayes

Petit Papa Noel

by Henri Ovanessian and A.L. Martinet (featuring soprano, Jeanette Roberts, and ensemble)

Charity Presentation – Archbishop Fred Hiltz

What Child is This?

Tune: Greensleeves, trad. English folk song.

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Words and music by Noel Regney and Gloria Shayne

The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

Caribbean carol, arr by Arr. Jair Maciel; Thais Rabelo

Mary's Boy Child

by Jester Hairston

Sweet Carol

Twylite Band

Have Yourself a Merry Christmas

Bonnie J. Evans

Feliz Navidad

Carol Cymbala

Mary and Her Baby

a medley of Christmas spirituals arranged by Jaqueline B Hairston

Behold That Star

African American spiritual arranged by Mark Hayes

Rise Up Shepherd and Follow/Go Tell It On the Mountain

African American Spiritual arranged by Mark Hayes.

This Christmastide (Jessye's Carol)

by Donald Fraser

Be Thou My Vision

Text: attr. St. Dallán Forgaill, trans. Eleanor Hull. Melody: Slane (trad. Irish). Published 1912. Public Domain.

Basket Draw, Prayer and Blessing

O Holy Night

by Adolpe Adam arranged by Mark Hayes

Verse 1

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared, and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Refrain 1

Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine! O night when Christ was born!
O night divine! O night, O night divine!

Verse 2

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand;
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Here came the wise men from Orient land.

The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our Friend;

Refrain 2

He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger.
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Verse 3

Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love, and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease.

Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name;

Refrain 3

Christ is the Lord, Oh, praise His Name forever!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

Repeat 1st Refrain

BONUS: I Hope the Roof Does Not Cave In This Winter

By Randy Vancourt.

BIOGRAPHIES



The Most **Reverend Fredrick James Hiltz** served as the 13th Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada from 2007 to 2019. In January 2008 became the first Primate to be elected President of the Board for Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF). Bestowed the title of Honourary Associate in 2023, he is committed to promoting the work of this Anglican social justice and development organization, which he believes is a witness to Christ's compassion. Fred is also the co-chair for the Home for the Heart Campaign of the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine (SSJD).



Soprano **Denise Williams** truly soars. Williams, a 30-year veteran of the concert, opera, and theatre stage, has electrified audiences from Canada to Cuba, and many points in between. Moving effortlessly between vocal styles, she has worked with The Nathaniel Dett Chorale, The Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Toronto Mendelssohn Choir, Mirvish Productions, and most recently, the Orquesta Sinfonica de Oriente in Cuba. Ongoing projects include WALK TOGETHER CHILDREN, a Cross-Cultural Concert Celebration of Black, Jewish, Muslim diaspora and MELANATTÉ a fusion of Classical and Romantic hits with a modern Black context, in collaboration with its brainchild, Rapsodius. "Denise Williams offers powerfully authentic renditions of the most beloved songs - all in a fresh, sometimes striking new musical context that will have audiences clamouring for more." Rapsodius Denise holds a Masters in Community Music and is founding artistic director of the charitable theatre organization, No Strings Theatre, on the music theatre faculty of Sheridan College, and operates her Voices of Colour Music teaching studio.



Jan Morgan is a professional trumpet and trombone player with extensive experience in reading, writing and arranging music. Born, raised, and schooled in the South American country of Guyana, he worked for the Guyana Police Force, transferring to the police force military band, and gained the rank of sergeant. Since immigrating to Canada in June of 1994, he has been involved in recordings and performances for international artists such as, the late Percy Sledge, King Ajamo from Grenada, Anslem Douglas, Calypso Rose from Trinidad and Tobago, the late S. P. Balasubrahmanyam, Vijay Prakash, South Asian movie actor and singer who appeared in the movie "Slum Dog Millionaire", as well as the late Cuba Gooding Sr. , the legendary David Rudder from Trinidad and Tobago, and the great reggae icon Luciano from Jamaica. He has performed and recorded with local Canadian bands like Neu Jenarashun, Ossie Gurley and the truth, and the Juno award winning band, Kobotown, of which he is the lead trumpet player. Kobotown has been nominated twice for the coveted Juno awards, and won the Juno award in 2018 for world music album of the year.



Ben MacDonald is a talented multi-instrumentalist, performer, and educator, and is an alumni of the Humber College Contemporary Music program. He has played with many groups as a saxophonist, clarinetist, flautist, and singer in a variety of different styles from contemporary music genres, klezmer, jazz, and African (Sudanese, Swahili) music styles. As an educator, he has taught individual students privately for almost 10 years with Elite Music Academy. He has worked with the Regent Park School of Music to lead and develop a choir program for at-risk-youth in the Jane and Finch area. He has also co-founded JamSpace Creative Music Workshops; a multi-

disciplinary music camp for youth aged 10 -17 focusing on the elements of music, allowing young people to arrange, compose and develop original music or re-imagine their favourite contemporary songs. When Ben is not teaching or performing, he is often in his recording studio, Safe Spaceship, as a composer, and producer, working with other artists. Recording albums, and working with digital audio.

Toronto pianist, organist and vocal coach **David Smith** has enjoyed a varied career in the musical life of the city. He has taught at the Faculty of Music and the University of Toronto and been Director of Music in several churches including Christ Church Deer Park and presently serves as Organist at St. Bartholomew's Church. As well, he is a bishop in the Anglican Church.



Douglas Von Edelmann is known for his role portrayals in Handel and Mozart operas, his versatility encompasses a vast array of operatic literature. His interpretive finesse in oratorio and concert repertoire embodies works by Bach to Beethoven and beyond. Mozart roles such as Tamino and Belmonte delineate the vocal flexibility and ease that Douglas is praised for by press and public alike. Coupled with Douglas' illustrious vocal artistry are his acting gifts that bring an outstanding realism to his appearances in operatic roles. He has performed for Her late

Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Prime Minister of Norway, and in many European concert halls and opera houses. Douglas teaches voice and piano in Toronto, and is completing his Master's degree in vocal pedagogy. More information is available at his website:

www.douglasvonedelmann.com



Randy Vancourt has performed across Canada and the U.S. as a musician, conductor, playwright and comic, including working with both THE MUPPETS and the SECOND CITY. TV work includes writing songs for DUDLEY THE DRAGON, HELLO MRS. CHERRYWINKLE and ROCKABYE BUBBLE, as well as the theme songs for À LA POURSUITE DE CARMEN SANDIEGO, OUR MAGAZINE and YTV's DON'T LICK THE PIG. His songs have been performed by the likes of Rick Mercer, Mary Walsh, Cathy Jones and John Neville, and his comedy

song “Donor Card” appeared on the syndicated DR. DEMENTO show. With LOVING SPOONFULS star David Gale, Randy wrote the musical comedy CHUTZPAH à GO-GO, that went on to a 4 year run in Canada followed by its U.S. premiere in 2009.

Twylite Band is a sub group of the Caribbean Dispora Band based in Toronto directed by Jeffrey Ledger, owner of Twylite Enterprises Inc. A music services and musical equipment business that performs at various events including concerts, dinners, weddings, and corporate events. Currently use volunteer musicians, usually 3-5 members band.



Alexandra Weiss is an accomplished organist and pianist. Alexandra has been a church organist for over a decade, in mostly an Anglican setting, but for the United and Presbyterian church as well. She is also an accompanist for various instrumentalists and vocalists with extensive prior experience as a pianist for Royal Caribbean and Carnival Cruise Lines.

Ensemble

Denise’s Studio – Louise Davies, Janina Dzedziola, Peter Heffernan, Ben MacDonald, Jeanette Roberts

Choir Members - Marilyn Lind, Peter Price, Flo Schwerdtner





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