

Newsletter

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THE HEART SINGS

My heart moves from cold to fire...Pablo Neruda



This May the **Bicycle Opera Project** rides into Kingston to join Cantabile's teen and adult choirs in a wonderful program of music from the world of musical theatre and opera.

The program is a feast of musical gems, including upbeat songs like **Captain of the Pinafore** by Gilbert & Sullivan, **Under the Sea** by Ashman & Menken, Bernstein's **I Feel Pretty** and **Be Our Guest** from *Beauty and The Beast*. In contrast are soulful and poignant selections such as **Children Will Listen** from *Into The Woods* by Sondheim, **Ave Maria** From *Dialogues des Carmélites* by Poulenc, and **Contessa, perdono**

from Mozart's **Le Nozze di Figaro**. There will also be rousing full chorus selections such as **Do You Hear**, the finale from *Les Misérables*, **What A Feast** from Canadian Cecelia Livingston's **Masque of the Red Death** and **Make Our Garden Grow** from Leonard's **Candide** to bring the concert to a soaring conclusion.

As the name suggests, the **Bicycle Opera Project** (BOP) tours by bicycle, bringing contemporary opera to smaller communities where there is little opportunity to hear it. Acclaimed as one of the country's most innovative opera companies, one of their goals is to close the gap between opera audiences and singers by performing in intimate spaces, performing primarily new and issue-oriented Canadian works in English.

The hall at The Spire will provide audiences with the opportunity to enjoy the artistry of these wonderful musicians in an 'up close and personal' setting. Of special note: Cantabile's Assistant Artistic Director **Geoffrey Sirett**, currently receiving rave reviews for his starring turn in **The Overcoat** in Toronto and Vancouver, is a member of the Bike Opera Project. Those who didn't get the chance to see his remarkable performance can see him perform at this concert.

Saturday May 26 7:30 PM

This is the final concert of our season, and usually sells out. Get your tickets soon, and make sure to share the information with friends and family—this is going to be a very special night!

Rehearsal Schedule for May

Tues. May 1: 3:45 YM 4:15 YW

Wed. May 2: 6:30-7:45 Men 7:00-8:30 Women

Thu. May 3: 3:45 YW 4:15 YM

Tues. May 8: 3:45 YM 4:15 YW

Wed. May 9: 6:30 -8:00: Men; 6:45-8:30 Women

Th May 10: 3:45 YW 4:15 YM

Tues. May 15: 4:00-5:15 Combined teen rehearsal

Carnegie Hall meeting immediately following rehearsal!

Wed. May 16: 6:30 -8:00: Men; 6:45-8:30 Women

Th May 17: 4:00-5:15 Combined teen rehearsal

Tues. May 22: 4:00-5:15 Combined teen rehearsal

Wed. May 23: 6:30 -8:00: Men; 6:45-8:30 Women

Th. May 24: 4:00-5:15 Combined teen rehearsal

Friday May 25: 6:00-8:30 for all choristers

Final rehearsal: Sat. May 26, 1:00 – 3:00 for all choristers

Performance Call 6:30 upper hall, all choristers

The Heart Sings: 7:30 pm

Post Concert Reception, Men & Women,

Kingston Brewing Company, in the Great Hall.

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Thank you to our long time friends
at Quarry Medical Pharmacy



Carnegie Hall Trip, April 2019

There will be a meeting of all choristers and parents on **Tues. May 15th at 5:30** to find out more about the tour to NYC next spring. It is important that we have as many people as possible attend this meeting to determine if there is sufficient interest to proceed with the plans. This includes children moving up to the teen choirs!



Welcome the Bike Opera to Town!



Join a family-friendly bike rally with the members of the Bicycle Opera Project on **Sat. May 26th**. The biking will be a casual pedal through Kingston leading to THE SPIRE by noon. Pack a picnic lunch and stay for the rehearsal at 1:00. If you don't feel like biking, join us for the picnic lunch on the lawn of the Spire. Bill and Joan Egnatoff have oiled up the gears on their tandem bike. Janice Moncrieff promises to entertain on her stationary bike. More details later, but in the meantime, polish up your helmets!

Re-auditions Teens

Mon May 28 – 3:00 to 4:00 pm **Tues May 29** – 3:00 to 4:00 pm

If you have any friends interested in auditioning for next season please have them stop in with you to the re-auditions. There will be a sign up sheet in the upper hall. **Please make sure to look through your homes for any outstanding music!**

Re-auditions Men / Women

Monday May 28, 5:30-7:30

Wednesday May 30, 5:00-7:30

Thursday May 31, 6:00-8:00

Board Meeting

Our next board meeting takes place **Monday May 7, 5:30 PM** in the upper hall. Please feel free to share any concerns or comments at president@cantabilechoirs.net.

June Chorus Rehearsals

Monday June 4—Thursday June 8, 7:00 - 9:15

Monday June 12—Thursday June 14, 7-9:15

Friday June 15, Performance, In the Evening- call time 6:00 pm for 7:00 pm.

Admission is by donation.

Don't forget that Dr Sirett is auditioning new singers, especially children & teens, right up until the end of May - tell your friends and colleagues!