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*Joyful. Inspiring. Reflective.*

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I invite you to take it all in! We're calling this our "Season of Rejuvenation", a season of hope and renewal.

GCC begins our concert season on November 5 with "Side by Side," an intergenerational community collaboration that celebrates the sheer joy of singing together once again with four of Guelph's finest choirs joining our voices.

Bring your friends and neighbours to our annual family-friendly Carol Concert, featuring stories by the Guelph Guild of Storytellers, jubilant songs, and sing-along carols.

You will be inspired by the moving choral masterpieces that are the cornerstones of our final two concerts. We return to Handel's monumental *Messiah* at the River Run Centre on December 17, with a roster of sensational soloists and orchestra.

On March 26, join us in the resonant venue of the Basilica of our Lady, overlooking Guelph, where you will hear Rachmaninoff's reflective *Vespers* and the highly anticipated world debut of a commissioned work by Métis composer Ian Cusson.

Together, let's experience rejuvenation through song!

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I look forward to seeing you soon

- Dr. Charlene Pauls

## Early Bird Tickets

\$25 for Adults and Seniors  
Available until October 22!

## Our Season Opener



We're thrilled to launch an in-person concert season with an intergenerational community collaboration designed to celebrate our emergence out of the pandemic. We join in song with over 100 singers on the stage from the Guelph Chamber Choir, Guelph Youth Singers, Rainbow Chorus and University of Guelph Choirs.

November 5 at 7:30pm  
Harcourt Memorial United Church

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## Meet Our 2022-2023 Emerging Artists!



**Katie Hatanaka** is a soprano, conductor, and teacher from Markham, Ontario. She recently graduated from Western University with a Bachelor of Music degree in Voice Performance studying under the guidance of Bethany Horst and choral conducting with Kathleen Allan and Dr. Mark Ramsay.

Through an opportunity in her final year at Western to participate as one of six student conductors at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign's inaugural symposium, "Lift Every Voice" (2022), Katie cultivated a love for choral conducting and has since been pursuing opportunities to further her skills as a choral conductor.

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**Emily Steers** is a soprano from Guelph Ontario. She recently completed her MA in Community Music at Wilfrid Laurier University, studying community and identity formation in LGBTQ choirs. She is an ardent fan and performer of new music, having recently premiered a solo chamber opera by Alexander Wright and participated in the Musique 3 Femmes new opera workshop.

She runs a thriving teaching studio, working in a diversity of styles from



**Finn Steinke** has been singing since the age of 6, when he joined the Guelph Youth Singers. His love for music has helped him take part in opportunities beyond his local community and he looks forward to opportunities both here in Guelph and beyond.

He joined the Guelph Chamber Choir earlier in the 2019-2020 concert season and is excited to be an Emerging Youth Artist this year. He says, "I am very grateful for the position I have been given and I hope I can support the Guelph Chamber Choir in the coming choral season and build new skills in the program! I look forward to making wonderful music together!"

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**Silas Chinsen** is a multi-instrumentalist, vocalist, composer, and arranger based in Guelph, Ontario. He holds a M.Mus and B.Mus in classical guitar and voice performance, and has work featured on Naxos Records. Silas creates music for choirs, solo guitar, indie/neo-soul projects, scores for audio-visual collaborations, and is our 2022 Composer-in-Residence.

Silas won the 2019 Ottawa Guitar Society's "Call for Scores" composition competition, and has received various grants for his work, including the Guelph Arts Council Research and Renewal Award, the City of Guelph Artist In Residence Grant, and a TACTICS grant for the composition of a full length musical theatre production.

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gap from emerging to established, while in the early stages of their careers.

*This program is aimed at artists under the age of 30 who will work together with the Artistic Director to create a program addressing specific goals of each successful candidate, such as singing and conducting opportunities, understanding non-profit management, curation of concert repertoire, social media development, and reaching out to the community through outreach programming and implementation (SingOUT).*

*We are grateful to the RBC Foundation for support of this program during the 2022-23 season.*

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# SingOUT

## A Community Program of Guelph Chamber Choir

All of us at Guelph Chamber Choir know the power of music to inspire and connect communities, and we are committed to partner with those around us as we strive to strengthen the fabric of society through our art.

We are thrilled to sing at an evening for supporters of the [Chalmers Community Services](#) Centre, on October 25. Chalmers serves the Guelph community, providing a place where guests can receive food, choose clothing, and enjoy company and conversation.

In 2020 they welcomed over 12,000 guests, and they have a staff of 5 members and about 100 volunteers who run their programs. Their mission is to advocate for and deliver practical and meaningful programs that empower guests to improve their lives.

Guelph Chamber Choir is honoured to be part of this evening, supporting the work of Chalmers in the Guelph community.

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