Chilliwack Metropolitan Orchestra presents...

Classical music's all-time greatest hits... Ever



Conducted by Gregory Douglas Johnson

Salvation Army Church, 46420 Brooks Ave. Chilliwack BC 3:00pm Sunday March 26th, 2023

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Now in his ninth season as Artistic Director of the Chilliwack Metropolitan Orchestra, **Gregory Douglas Johnson** continues to be in demand among top conductors in the Metro Vancouver and Fraser Valley region, having recently been appointed conductor of the Vancouver Pops Orchestra. Renowned for his innovative and

thoughtful programming, audiences are quick to respond to his welcoming manner and nimble wit. Born and raised in the Fraser Valley, his conducting pursuits have taken him across the country and into Europe. He has had the opportunity to work with esteemed conductors such as Larry Rachleff, Gustav Meier, Kirk Trevor, and Jonathan Girard. During his orchestral conducting training in Winnipeg, he had the rare opportunity to conduct the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and the St. John's Chamber Orchestra, in addition to his work with the University Orchestra and Wind Ensemble.

Maestro Johnson is equally at home in choral and wind ensemble conducting. He recently completed his 10th season as Music Director of the Fraser Valley Community Winds, an ensemble dedicated to community outreach and collaboration. He also maintains an award-winning choir, recorder group, and marimba ensemble at Woodward Hill Elementary in Surrey. He has worked with students of all ages, having held concurrent flute instructor posts at Trinity Western University and the Langley Community Music School. His family of two irrepressible young children, Gabriel and Josephine, and his wife Jacqueline, love to spend time together out in nature, particularly by the ocean.

JESSICA JOU is a BCRMTA bursary winner with the highest mark in ARCT piano performance for 2022. Continuing her musical journey, she is now studying piano at the Licentiate level with Nita Pelletier. An English major at UFV, Jessica also plays the flute and competed in the 2023 Chilliwack Music and Dance Festival. A competitor in the Vancouver International Piano competition in 2021, she has also won many prizes at the Chilliwack Music and Dance Festival and advanced to the 2022 Provincial Performing Arts festival. Having a strong interest in pedagogy since high school, Jessica has been able to maintain a full piano studio at the Chilliwack Academy of Music. In addition to teaching piano, she coaches swimming for the Chilliwack Spartans swim club.







Jessica Jou Emily Jou Don Burks

EMILY JOU is currently studying piano at the ARCT level with Nita Pelletier. She has passed her RCM Level 10 piano with first class honours in 2022 and completed the required music history and theory courses in 2020. Emily acts as an accompanist for the Re: Action choir at the Chilliwack Academy of Music and for Sunday services at St. Paul Lutheran church. A frequent competitor at the annual Chilliwack Lions Music Festival since she was 7 years old, Emily has won many trophies in different categories, including piano duets with her sister, Jessica. Emily has been swimming competitively with the Spartans Swim Club at the provincial level for 9 years and has been volunteering as a Spartan junior coach for more than 2 years. An honours student, she is currently in grade 11 at Chilliwack Secondary School.

Born in Atlanta, Georgia, **DON BURKS** currently lives in Vancouver. He is an acclaimed musician, having performed throughout the Southeastern US and Western Canada in orchestras such as the *Vancouver Pops*, as Principal French horn. Don has been developing software for the web for over 22 years, and has had speaking engagements throughout Canada, the USA, and Europe. Don juggles for fun, enjoys movies and video games and is a giant hockey fan. He has an enduring hope that one day he will get the opportunity to voluntarily jump out of a perfectly working airplane.

The Most Amazing Classical Music in The World... Ever!

Programme

Symphony No. 5 in C Minor Op. 67

Allegro con brio

Beethoven

(1770-1827)

Pavane pour une enfante défunte

(1875-1937)

Piano Concerto No. 8 in C Major K 246

Allegro aperto

Mozart

Ravel

(1756-1791)

Jessica Jou, piano

Concerto No. 1 in E major, "Spring" Op. 8, RV 269

Allegro

Vivaldi

Jessica Jou and Emily Jou, piano (1678-1741)

Horn Concerto No. 4 in E-flat major, K. 495

Don Burks, French Horn

Mozart

INTERMISSION

Finlandia
Shannon Goldsmith,
Associate Conductor

Sibelius (1865-1957)

Symphony No. 6 in F major Op. 68

Allegro ma non troppo

Beethoven

An der schönen blauen Donau Op. 31

Strauss Jr. (1825-1899)

The Planets

Jupiter

Holst-Leidig (1874-1934)



The **Chilliwack Metropolitan Orchestra**, Chilliwack's community orchestra, was founded in 2008 by local volunteer musicians who were dedicated to performing high quality orchestral concerts for patrons of the eastern Fraser Valley. Over past seasons the "Met" has presented some of the very best in guest soloists including Dr. Robert Silverman, Jennifer Lim, Dr. Janice Fehlauer, Dr. Sarah Davis Buechner and operatic soloists soprano Siobhan Raupach and bass baritone Andrew Greenwood

The organization also presented innovative collaborations with other musical organizations such as Beatles Tribute group, *The Fab Fourever, Philomusica Chorus* and members of the *Chilliwack Players Guild*.

Personnel List

Violin 1

Rick Barker* Suzanne Gresham Virginia Voth Sharon Fong

Violin 2

Diane Medeiros*
Anne Fleming
Lydia Foulds
Cathy Maycock
Linda Ragan
Earle Davies

Viola

Lorraine Ma*
Tiago Cotrim

Cello

Emily Heeryeong Hwang* Herb Voth Wendy Atkinson

Bass

Greg Cross*

Flute

Sarah Dyck* Vince Curran

Oboe

Margaret Smiley*
Ivan Pettigrew

* denotes principal player ClarinetBassoon

Sandra Bower* Jennifer Silva

Bassoon

Lewis Friesen* Ron Schubank

French Horn

Shannon Goldsmith* Mary Eggen Paula Quick Heather Lennie

Trumpet

Ken Kimberley* Ben Nessim

Trombone

Barry Eggen*
Sunshine Snowden

Tuba

Gary Raddysh*

Percussion

Jillana Rathjen*

Piano/Keyboards

Jessica Jou*

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