

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Violin**: Alison Arthur (concertmaster), Kirsten Waymann, Ron Lavigne, Julie Philibert, +Roberta Romero Lopez

**2<sup>nd</sup> Violin**: Laura Vokey, \*Dexter Sernoskie, Pia Voorand, Justin Bertrand, Janet Adams

Viola: + Shalva Chabukiani

**Cello**: +Steve Smith, \*Rose McCafferty, Candace Woolley, +0lena Gapey

Bass: Zenowy Didukh

Flute: +Avery Kennedy

Oboe: +Emily Brownlee, Jane Yantha

Clarinet: Marc Seguin, Rob Carson (Alto Saxophone)

**Bassoon**: Hugh Boniface, Susan Artymko

French Horn: +Sophie Shah, Linda Taylor-Hall

Trumpet: John Artymko

Trombone: +Michael Britton, Adrian Cecco

Timpani: Tamara Goligher

Percussion: Amy Helmer

Harpsichord: +Darlene Termarsch

\*students +visitors

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# Pembroke Symphony Orchestra

Mehdi Javanfar Music Director and Conductor

## **Christmas Special** Featuring the Pembroke Community Choir



Saturday, December 10th 2022 at 2 pm Festival Hall, Pembroke

# Programme

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Excerpts from The Messiah (1741):

Overture

Behold, a virgin shall conceive - alto recit; O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion - alto aria and chorus For Unto us a Child is Born - chorus Pastoral Symphony

And suddenly there was with the angel - soprano recit

Glory to God - chorus

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion - soprano aria

Hallelujah - chorus

featuring the Pembroke Community Choir

Intermission

## Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Symphony No. 31 in D Major ("Paris") KV 297 (1778) Allegro assai, Andantino, Allegro Leroy Anderson (1908-1975) The Sleighride (1948)

### Katherine Davis, Henry Onorati, Harry Simeone The Little Drummer Boy (1941) arr. Bob Cerulli

Sing-a-long carols: *Hark the Herald Angels Sing, Silent Night, Joy to the World* 



Allison Houston is a Kanata based singer, music director, conductor and accompanist. She is currently the Music Director of Stittsville United Church, and the conductor of the Canadian Military Wives Choir, Ottawa. She does a lot of performing with Kanata Theatre. As an actress, Sister Mary Amnesia in Nunsense and Miss Andrew in Mary Poppins being her most recent roles. Allison also Music Directs for Kanata Theatre, credits including Mary Poppins, Anne of Green Gables, and The Marvellous Wonderettes. Allison is excited to join the Pembroke Symphony in this concert. Her very first professional gig was a Messiah, while she was a graduate student at Arizona State University. It is still one of her favourite musical works to perform. Renfrew native **Jessica Belanger** is thrilled to be performing for this concert with the Pembroke Symphony Orchestra and Pembroke Community Choir, thankful to be singing in public once again with friends old and new!

As a graduate of McGill University, Jessica studied voice performance with Stefano Algieri. She then completed an Education degree at Nipissing University, and began her career as an Elementary Music Specialist. She currently teaches Music from Kindergarten-Grade 8 in Renfrew. Since 2009 she has held the position of Director of the Renfrew Children's/Youth Chorus and from 2009-2013 Professional Chorister with the Ottawa Choral Society, where she enjoyed frequent performance opportunities with both the NAC and Ottawa Symphony Orchestras. Jessica was involved with the former Ottawa Valley Music Festival under Mervin Fick and later Peter Morris, since its inception in 1994 and has performed as soprano soloist with them many times over the years, and had a blast delving back into her love of Musical Theatre with Streetlight Theatre's recent production of "Newsies."

In addition to recently starting her home-based children's piano and voice studio, Jessica is also a loving dog mom to two Golden Retrievers, 7-year-old Rory and the new puppy, Brixton, training them both for Obedience Trials and as St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs.

#### Pembroke Community Choir

Gerald LaRonde: Music Director

#### Sopranos

Anusha Arulnanthi, Joan Boucher, Patricia Charette, Heather Elliott, Jennifer Francis, Jane Hanson, Donna Mercer, Joyce Moore, Hazel Ward-Moreau

#### Altos

Amy Boudreau, Suzanne Cuypers, Rosemarie Gilbert, Beth Lipke, Paula Lundrigan, Jill Renault, Therese Jean Stang, Diane Wolfgram

#### Tenors

Bentley Horne, Geoffrey Middleton, Claudette Thanasse, Michele Veldman

#### Basses

Jim Gilbert, Rob Hanson, Gerald LaRonde, Brian Mercer, Doug Schauer , Jake Strang

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