



# Lyrica

CHAMBER CHOIR

2018 - 2019

## About Us

### LYRICA CHAMBER CHOIR

Founded in 2000 by the late Natalya Gurin and directed since 2005 by Steve Winfield, Lyrica Chamber Choir of Barrie strives to present eclectic and evocative programs of excellent choral chamber music. The 36 singers of Lyrica demonstrate a strong desire to present artistically varied choral programs with a high degree of musicianship to the community of Barrie and surrounding area. Recent highlights include performances of Faure's Requiem, Arnesen's Magnificat and Ola Gjeilo's Dark Night of the Soul. Professional soloists and instrumental musicians regularly join Lyrica for performances. Our regular accompanist, Brent Mayhew, enhances the choir's performances with extraordinary skill and sensitivity.

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## Steve Winfield

### ARTISTIC DIRECTOR/CONDUCTOR

Steve Winfield graduated with a Bachelor of Music, majoring in piano and choral conducting, from the University of Toronto in 1980 and a Bachelor of Education in 1982. He taught at Banting Memorial High School in Alliston for five years and taught at Eastview Secondary School in Barrie from 1987 until his retirement in 2012. Steve has instilled a love of choral music in the hearts of countless students who have been part of the award winning Eastview Concert Choir. In 2005, Steve was appointed artistic director/conductor of the Lyrica Chamber Choir of Barrie, which produces a three concert choral series in Barrie. In 2011, Steve was nominated for two Barrie Arts Awards, for Excellence In The Arts and Contribution To The Community. Steve's active listening workbook based on Canadian compositions, Flap Your Ears, is used in classrooms across Ontario.



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# 2018 - 2019 CONCERT SEASON

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**L**yrica's 2018-2019 concert program continues the mandate to present choral monuments, modern masterpieces, and eclectic selections as the chamber choir approaches twenty years of exquisite choral music in the city of Barrie. In December, the stunning chamber piece, *In Terra Pax*, by Gerald Finzi will anchor a program rich in Christmas themes of birth, hope, and joy. In March, Lyrica continues its exploration into the serene works of Josef Rheinberger in a sacred music concert highlighting the themes of Holy Week. Finally, in May, Lyrica explores singer-songwriters who have mastered the marriage of soaring melodies and poetic texts through the contemporary songs of Ben Folds and Lerner and Loewe.

## Benefactor Program

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## *In Terra Pax*

Saturday, December 8, 2018 – 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Burton Avenue United Church – 37 Burton Avenue, Barrie

Lyrica opens the season with the serene and impressionistic *In Terra Pax* by twentieth century British composer, Gerald Finzi. Written just two years before Finzi's death in 1956, this composition skillfully juxtaposes poetry of Robert Bridges with the familiar Christmas passage from St. Luke. *In Terra Pax* is a work of intense emotion, radiant beauty, and optimism and the familiar narrative of the Christmas story is woven into this miniature masterpiece. Stunning new works by Norwegian composer, Ola Gjeilo, including *The Rose*, *Ecce Novum*, and *Tundra* will refresh the spirit as the Christmas season is welcomed.

## *Wondrous Love*

Saturday, March 30, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.

Burton Avenue United Church – 37 Burton Avenue, Barrie

Lyrica continues to explore the magnificent choral works of Josef Rheinberger with the centerpiece of this program, the *Missa Misericordias Domini*, opus 192 leading up to Holy Week. Josef Gabriel Rheinberger was a native of Liechtenstein and emerged as a child prodigy by the age of five. He was only seven when he became the organist at the town church (with a special device created to allow his feet to reach the pedals), a post he held until he entered the Munich Conservatory at age twelve. As a composer, Josef Rheinberger was remarkable for his "power of invention, masterful technique, and a noble, solid style." Compositions by Pablo Casals, Alice Parker, and Kim Andre Arnesen will complete this program.

## *Return to Melody*

Saturday, May 25, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.

Burton Avenue United Church – 37 Burton Avenue, Barrie

The works of American singer-songwriter and record producer, Benjamin Scott Folds ("Ben Folds" born in 1966) will be explored together with contemporary popular songwriters who have focused on beautiful, wide-ranging melodies and poetic texts. Several songs by Folds, including *The Luckiest*, *Magic*, *Selfless*, *Cold and Composed*, and *Still Fighting* have been masterfully arranged as choral compositions. Additional works by lyricist and librettist Alan Jay Lerner and composer Frederick Loewe will round out the program. "And in a wide sea of eyes, I see one pair that I recognize; And I know...that I am, I am, I am, the luckiest."

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