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La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra

Sonic Bloom

Sunday May 8, 2022 - 3pm Port Hope United Church



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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us on this special day, Mother's Day, be it live or virtual. Last season, due to Covid restrictions we created a "stitched together" Sonic Bloom video, so today we are extremely excited to present our 23rd Sonic Bloom concert in this beautiful venue. Laurie and Kevin have prepared an exciting program for you to enjoy. We appreciate you joining us to celebrate our achievements this season.

I am very proud to be part of La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra and I am very grateful to the Board of Directors, staff, coaches, and volunteers who have spent numerous hours on various tasks. We always need more hands to get the job done. Let us know if you would like to help out. Also, if you know of a young musician who would benefit from the experience of playing in the orchestra, please contact the orchestra manager, or send us a note through our website. Audition information is given in this program.

I would like to thank The Municipality of Port Hope and Council for the community grant given to us to sponsor this concert. We are very proud to be part of this cultural community. The ongoing operation of LJYO has been quite challenging for the last two years and we couldn't have continued without many financial contributions. We are very grateful to our anonymous donor, sponsors, businesses, and patrons for their continued generosity to LJYO this season. Our thanks go to our walkathon sponsors for the second year. Your support towards youth and music in the community is admirable.

Happy Spring and Happy Mother's Day!

Virginia Dakers, President



GREETINGS FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

Welcome to our final concert of the year, the product of many rehearsals for our young members and coaches along with the dedicated work of our board of directors. For today's concert, instead of performing short youth orchestra works, we have risen to the challenge of performing three full-length symphonic works in their original form.

We open with the movie theme from 'The Magnificent Seven' and. I am sure you will recognize this tune! Then we continue on a western theme with Grofe's 'On the Trail' from his Grand Canyon Suite. We depict the donkey getting packed for the ride down the trail, the picturesque views, the heat of the sun and the tumble down the steep path. Imagine the colours of the Grand Canyon as you enjoy this piece.

Next, we premiere 'The King's Burden' by our own coach and orchestra dad, Luc Arsenault. Youth orchestras rarely have the opportunity to commission a work, so this is a special moment. This piece, too, is descriptive. It is based on the old English epic poem, Beowulf. The scene opens on the devastation of his Kingdom as it has been torched by the dragon. Then you will hear the King's fighters preparing for a battle. You will recognize the battle scene and the moment at which the dragon is slain, then the sad realization that the King has fallen.

With gratitude to John Rutter, we have been granted access to his choral Ukrainian Prayer and arranged it for orchestra. The words are in the program and you are welcome to sing as we focus our attention on the Ukraine.

Lifting your spirits, Rossini's 'La Gazza Ladra' is a melodrama, full of comedy. You will hear several shifts from minor to major reflecting the ups and downs and of the story.

Our concert will close with familiar music from Harry Potter, and then you can get up on your feet for 'Tico, Tico'.

I appreciate everyone who has purchased a ticket and I hope that you thoroughly enjoy the concert! Don't forget to "like" us on YouTube. Hope to see you again next year!

Laurie Mitchell



Violin I

Parsa Barari Sidney Gallimore ** Maya Gardzinski Luke Gardzinski Sophie Goodfellow Era Gragjevi Daniel Hughes Joshua Mostert Olivia Mullings Katie Simser Kristen Woodward

Viola Ignatius Gardzinski Ardian Gragjevi

Cello Jacob Gardzinski Benedict Hughes *Jon Lepage

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La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra presents

SONIC BLOOM

The Magnificent SevenElmer Bernstein
"On the Trail", from the Grand Canyon Suite Ferde Grofé
The King's BurdenLuc Arsenault
Overture to La Gazza LadraGioacchino Rossini
Ukrainian PrayerJohn Rutter trans. Laurie Mitchell
Song without WordsGustav Holst
Selections from Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire Patrick Doyle and John Williams
Tico TicoZequinha de AbreuSoloist: Rylee Smitharr. Mark Vining

Please note video recording and flash photography are not permitted during the concert.

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Luc Arsenault – Composer of "The King's Burden"

Luc started playing guitar at age 12. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Music from the University of Ottawa, and a Master's degree in composition from Western University. He has also worked as a film and TV and concert music composer since 2000, and has scored two animated series on CBC television. In addition, he has scored six feature length films. In 2004, he received a Gemini award nomination for best original music score for a dramatic series.



Luc's two sons, Caleb and Zach, are members of LJYO. With all of his accomplishments and warm energy, we heartily thank Luc for being a coach, parent, audio/video editor and producer, and composer--LJYO could not be what it is without you.

LJYO has donated to the **Canadian Red Cross** – **Ukrainian Relief Fund** with gratitude to John Rutter for the use of his musical setting.

Ukrainian Prayer

Lord God, we pray, protect Ukraine.

Grant her strength Lord, hope, Lord, and salvation.

Hear our prayer.

GREETINGS FROM THE ASSISTANT MUSIC DIRECTOR

As I write this message for our Sonic Bloom concert, I find myself reflecting on the past year and the fact that Spring is a time for rebirth and growth. I am constantly amazed by the people involved in this orchestra. Whether it be the players, the coaches, or our board of directors, all have persevered and kept music alive through this pandemic.

Because of gathering limits and the orchestra's commitment to safety, each of our concerts this year has been performed for a live audience while also being live-streamed. Now, as we begin to reach the end of the pandemic, hope springs forth that we may soon return to concerts where masks, distancing, and barriers are a thing of the past.

This Sonic Bloom concert is the result of all the hard work, dedication, and commitment of everyone involved to survive and even thrive through the difficult times of the pandemic. I am immensely proud and humbled to work with all of the players and coaches in this orchestra and very thankful for the support of the Board. Please enjoy the concert!

Kevin Chocorlan





Special thanks to: Rev. Jon Foster and Calvary Pentecostal Church, Rev. Kevin Moore and Port Hope United Church, Ellen Douglas, Frank Gallimore, Lisa McIsaac, Chrissy Moore, Taju Punnoose, David Hendriks, Farnoosh Tavakkoli, Carolyn Adams, Deborah Henderson, Kathy Coltoff, Jennifer Lane, Anna and Stephen Hughes, Peter Gardzinski, Linnea Moras, and all LIYO Coaches.



AUDITIONS

May 14, 8:30 - 4:30 June 4, 8:30 - 1:30 September 10, 8:30 - 1:30

Auditions will take place on Zoom and will be 15 minutes long

Contact Frank Gallimore manager@ljyo.ca or 905-373-8994 to book your audition

 Requirements

 Age 10+, minimum Suzuki book 3/4 or RCM 3/4

 1 fast/technical piece
 1 major scale
 1 chromatic scale

 1 slow/musical piece
 1 minor scale
 Sight Reading

 Scales and pieces are prepared by the candidate in advance, candidates can choose any key for their scales

Concerts will be Saturdays Dec. 3, 2022, March 4, 2023, and May 6, 2023



OUR ACTIVITIES WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF OUR GENEROUS DONORS.

We invite you to join us in furthering opportunities for our members and for enhancing LJYO's role in our community by making a financial contribution. Donations received after April 14, 2022 will be gratefully acknowledged in our December program.

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LJYO is pleased to be able to offer financial assistance to a limited number of members, through two bursary awards for current members. Funds can be used to cover LJYO membership fees, instrument rental, music lessons or other related music expenses approved by LJYO.



BILL BODDINGTON BURSARY

Bill Boddington was one of LJYO's most enthusiastic supporters. After his death, the award was created by family and friends as a way to carry on his support for music and youth.

CATHIE LONG MUSIC EDUCATION BURSARY

An emphasis is placed on supporting French Horn players, but support will also be considered for players of double reed instruments (oboe and bassoon) as well as low stringed instruments (viola, cello, and double bass). The late Cathie Long was a French Horn coach and LJYO supporter, and this award was created by her family and friends.

Application details for these awards can be found on our website at <u>www.ljyo.ca</u>



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