

Choir Admin Info

CANADA DAY SWAT UPDATE

1) If you aren't singing come listen.

We are on the "Gorge Canada Day Picnic's" main stage at Admirals & Gorge at 2 p.m. and we will be invited up to back up Shari Ulrich on a couple of songs during her set which starts at 4 p.m. There is lots of other fun stuff to see and do before and between!

Editor's Note:

If you move fast you can still get tickets for Shari's Victoria House Concert. For details see the July 3rd item about this event in the "Community Events Throughout The Summer" section below.

2) **Singers Please Note!**

We will meet at 12:45 for our rehearsal behind the Craighflower School. Please arrive a few minutes before then so we can start right on time.

Area Map:

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0622/canada-day-swat-map.pdf>

Rehearsal Site Map:

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/swat-rehearsal-map.pdf>

For all other SWAT details see our June 22 special email and visit:

<http://www.gettinhigherchoir.ca/community-info/#swat>

2010 Summer Drop-Ins TWO TOONIES FOR TUNES ON TUESDAYS..

You may be worried that you'll have "Singing Withdrawals" through the summer - worry no longer. For the third year, I'll be leading the Two Toonies for Tunes on Tuesdays Drop-In's.

When: Every Tuesday...August 3 through September 7th (6 weeks)

What time: 7:30 - 9:30

Where: Church of Truth 111 Superior

Who: Anyone who wants to sing...GHC, HNC, friends, summer guests, visitors... all are welcome.

We'll be singing songs from the "Core Repertoire" as well as lots of rounds, gospel songs, world music, fun and fanciful songs as well as many songs from recent concerts. Get out your favorites and be prepared for a songfest.

Bill Hanson has kindly offered to keep us informed by sending out reminders as we get closer to August.

There will be a few guest conductors who can lend their unique style to the mix. Any updates re: drop-ins will be announced in email special announcements and may also be found at

<http://www.gettinhigherchoir.ca/community-info/#dropin>

Hope to see you all there.

Gloria Hansen

[Community Choir Leadership Training](#), Grad & Registrar,

[High Noon Choir](#) Relief Director & Registrar

Gettin' Higher Choir Director's Admin. Asst.

Contact Info: gloria@gettinhigherchoir.ca

HELP WITH BILLETING YOUNG SINGERS OF THE KATHAUMIXW CHOIRS NEEDED

The Kathaumixw Choirs will be performing at First Metropolitan United Church on July 13, one choir each for New Zealand, Finland and Czechoslovakia. The organizers have asked for our help in hosting these young girls saying:

"If any members of your choir would be able to provide billets for any of these girls, it would be greatly appreciated. We do not have to billet the Czech choir so that leaves us with a total from the other two choirs of 110 girls. All are listed in groups of two who will share the same room and bed. The particulars are as follows

"Could you let me know if you are able to take billets and if so, how many. We are billeting 110 who will stay in groups of two (can share the same room and bed) All the billets are girls. From Finland, pickup time will be 4:00 pm July 13 and New Zealand at 4:30 pm July 13 (at the First Metropolitan United Church). All will need dinner then back for concert by 6:30 pm. After concert take home and send to bed. Morning feed breakfast and sent back to church by 8:00 am with bag lunch complete with drink.
Thanks"

I have personally provided billets for members of these International choirs for the past 20 years. They have arrived from all areas of the globe, most have at least a smattering of English (this year they will all be able to speak English) and have found it to be a great experience. If you can help out in this regard, please let me know as soon as you can. Thanks again

Contact:

Mary Kenderdine
250 385 2872
mary.kenderdine@shaw.ca

Submitted by: Anne Forester GHC Monday Soprano

SUPPORTING ONE OF OUR OWN

Sarah's Liberation

You are invited to come and bring friends to a salmon feast and fundraiser for MS testing and treatment for Sarah Mathison (former GHC Tuesday/Thursday Tenor 2003-06)

Featuring:

A Salmon feast (chicken & vegetarian food, too)
Silent auction
Art: valuable paintings, prints
Book & CD table
~ plus ~
Live Music

Saturday, July 10, 4 - 10 pm
Cobble Hill Agricultural Hall 3550 Watson St Cobble Hill

A message from Sarah:

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/sarah.pdf>

Information about the treatment:

<http://www.sanoviv.com/medical-services/ccsvi>

For enquiries phone:

1-250-597 4650 Sarah
~ or ~
1 250-748 3557 Brenda

Submitted by: Brenda Grenier former GHC Alto.

COMMUNITY MEMBER'S SUBMISSIONS

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SING

Deborah's Summer Workshops - Final Reminder

Deborah's workshop series is close to full, but we are looking for a few more folks to sign up for the Level 1 Workshop that will run 6pm - 8pm Fridays July 2 - 23.

This workshop is now open to all voices and promises to be an excellent class!

For detailed information check out the flyer:

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0610/deborahs-workshops.pdf>

Please contact Sally for details.
sgose@telus.net
(250) 474-3403

Submitted by Sally Gose Monday Alto

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SING

Re-Naming The Salish Sea

10:00 AM Thursday, 15 July 2010 Esquimalt, BC

Lieutenant Governor Stephen Point has written a song for this event that he is giving as a gift to the Province of British Columbia. He has invited The Victoria Good News Choir to provide the core in the presentation of this song at the official re-naming of The Salish Sea on Songhees Nation land in Esquimalt (near the longhouse). It will involve the 50-100 drummers of the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations (a community drumming circle) and a **mass community** choir – anchored by members of The Victoria Good News Choir.

Invite your friends and neighbours. Everyone is welcome. I mean it!! Come. Sing.

His Honour wants old, young, black, white, brown, yellow, young, old, middle aged every segment of the society - that is his British Columbia (and mine and yours, too) - represented as a living testament to the fact that we are, indeed, one people and that separation is no longer acceptable.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have a choir of 150 singers?

For rehearsal dates/times, contact information and other details about this event plus background information on the Salish Sea click on: <http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/salish.pdf>

Blessings and thanks,

Louise Rose, director
The Victoria Good News Choir

Submitted independently by:

Donna Bell former Tuesday/Thursday Soprano
Marnie Lamb past GHC/HNC Alto
Frances Backhouse GHC Tuesday Alto

EMPLOYMENT AVAILABLE

(Closing June 30th)

Two positions available at the Victoria Immigrant & Refugee Centre Society (VIRCS)

1. Education and Employment Counselor – Closing June 30th at 5 pm, 2010

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/job1.pdf>

2. I Plan It Program Coordinator - Closing June 30th at 5 pm, 2010

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/job2.pdf>

Submitted by Josie Brocker former HNC member

GERMAN LESSONS

Guten Tag! Sprechen Sie Deutsch? Ich heisse Joanna.

Would you like to start learning German or refresh your skills? My lessons are enjoyable, engaging, easy to understand, and always tailored to your needs. 1 hour / \$25

I have over 10 years of academic and private teaching experience in Germany and Canada - Master of Arts in German Language & Literature and Pedagogy.

For more information please visit my website www.germanlanguageservices.ca

email to: germanconsulting@shaw.ca or call 250 884 2265

Submitted by: Joanna Schaller, former GHC Alto

COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

ART GALLERY OF GREATER VICTORIA SUMMER SMALL WORKS EXHIBITION AND SALE (Now to Aug 29)

Four of my original botanical drawings will be on display and for sale.

1040 Moss Street, Victoria, BC.

Info:250-384-4101

<http://aggv.bc.ca/>

Submitted by Aurafidelite Arindam, GHC Thursday Soprano

OPEN INQUIRY MEDITATION GROUP (Jun 30 +)

Have you always wanted to meditate, but haven't known how to "get my mind to stop"?

Chloe Garthson, Spiritual Counsellor with Clear Spaces Counselling Services, is now leading a drop-in meditation group. This group is designed for anyone curious about meditation, relaxation and awakening to our natural state of being and limitless possibilities.

Time:

6:30 7:30pm, please arrive 5 minutes early

Dates:

Last three Wednesdays each month

Location:

Red Gate Intuitive Arts Center, 2033 Belmont @ Pembroke, Fernwood, Victoria

What to Bring:

Cushions provided, bring your own water bottle
Cost:
\$10 suggested donation
Contact:
chloe@clearspaces.ca

Submitted by Chloe Garthson HNC Singer

SHARI ULRICH & JULIA GRAFF (Jul 2 & 3)

(there still are a few seats left on July 2nd)

July 2nd & 3rd 7:30 PM (Doors open at 7:00 PM)
1725 Shearwater Terrace
North Saanich, B.C. V8L 5L4

Tickets: \$20.00 (waged);\$15.00 (unwaged)

To reserve: Call 250.655.3811 and leave a clear message including your name, your phone number (&/or email address), and the number of tickets you wish. Or, if you would prefer, respond to wooden_nickel@me.com or bdewolf@mac.com

As you are no doubt aware, the proceeds of house concerts go solely to the benefit of the performers.

Submitted by Bill Hanson GHC Bass etc.

A BHAKTI NIGHT INVITATION (Jul 9, Aug 13, +)

Come and sing your heart open and enjoy a simple vegetarian meal

The 2nd Friday of every month

July 9
Aug 13
Sep 10
Oct 8
Nov 12
Dec 10

6 to 7 pm ~ vegetarian meal
7 to 9 pm ~ call and response kirtan (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kirtan>)
9 pm ~ chai time

Poster

<http://www.o-my.info/ghc/nl/2010/0629/bhakti.pdf>

Submitted by Grace Golightly

Editor's Note

For the first year and a half that I was a member of the Gettin' Higher Choir I was also an enthusiastic member of a Sanskrit chanting circle. As with this event many of the chants were call and response and all were composed of simple word and beautiful melodies that begged to be sung from the heart.

WINGS
(Walk In Nature Gratefully Singing) (July 9 or 16)

For those who like to hike and enjoy nature's gifts... and like to sing.

I offer monthly outings to local parks, with the focus on walking in a peaceful environment, appreciating and learning about nature, and singing choir songs.

This month to Partridge Hills, meet at Durance lake parking lot by 10:00. We'll hike on an old logging road to a beautiful view point, returning to cars by 12:00.

Wear sturdy shoes, bring a drink, a walking pole if needed, binoculars ? Contact me to confirm date and location if interested.

marieclaireben@yahoo.com

250-652 1509

Submitted by Claire Ebendinger, Monday soprano,

VOICEWORKS AT THE YURT WITH BISIA BELINA (Jul 11)

Date: Sunday, July 11th

Time: 1 - 4 pm (includes a break)

Cost: 5 people or less \$60

6 people or more \$45. (limit 15)

Register: Anita: amarshall1953@yahoo.ca

Bring: Water bottle. Snacks to share during break. Tea will be provided.

Wear comfy clothes.

The Yurt: has electricity, running water & an outhouse. There is plenty of hang-out space inside or out with lovely trees everywhere.

Location: CorUnum Yurt

5990 Old W. Saanich Rd (close to Brentwood Bay)

Enter off of Killdeer Rd (first driveway on the left).

Park near the house and then walk up the trail to the Yurt.

Here is the Mapquest link...

<http://www.mapquest.com/mapscity=Victoria&state=BC&address=5990+Old+West+Saanich+Road&zipcode=V9E&country=CA&latitude=48.546687&longitude=-123.428922&geocode=ADDRESS>

Carpool: if you need a ride, or can offer a ride, email Jennifer at:

music@jenniferlouisetaylor.com

Submitted by Patricia Houston GHC Alto

ECKHART TOLLE DVD NIGHTS (Jul 11 & 25 +)

Eckhart Tolle DVDs will be shown every two weeks in the Fairfield United Church, 1303 Fairfield Rd

7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and every other Sunday (July 11 & 25, etc.)

All are Welcome! Cost: \$2.00 per person.

Submitted by Linda Chan, Former Tuesday Soprano

FOUNDATIONS OF

CONTEMPORARY SPIRITUALITY

(Jul 16 to 18)

with Michael Morwood.

A time to come together to consider our own questions, concerns and to look at ways to ground ourselves as we explore spirituality today. There will be time for solitude and quiet, group interaction and input from Michael.

July 16 18, Friday - Registration 4:00 - Sunday 1:00 pm, \$260.00 singler oom, \$250.00share room, \$200.00 commuter. Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre,3690 152 St. Surrey, BC

Registration: earthliteracies@shaw.ca 1-250-380-9786 or 1-250-220-4601 www.livinglanguageinstitute.org By Mail: Please make cheques payable to the Living Language Institute Foundation. Mail to Programs in Earth Literacies Box 224 Saanichton, BC V8M 2C3.

Submitted by Gertie Jocksch, Monday Soprano

TD ART GALLERY OF GREATER VICTORIA
MOSS STREET PAINT-IN (Jul 17)

I will be displaying and selling my original botanical artwork, large fine art giclee prints, small prints and art cards, from 11am to 4:30pm. I will also be doing drawing demonstrations during that time.

Moss Street from Fort Street to Dallas Road, Victoria, BC.

Info:250-384-4101
<http://aggv.bc.ca/>

Submitted by Aurafidelite Arindam, GHC Thursday Soprano

JAMES BAY ART WALK SHOW AND SALE (Sep 11& 12)

I will be showing and selling my original botanical artwork, large fine art giclee prints, small prints and art cards, from 11am to 5pm on both days.

205-425 Simcoe Street, Victoria, BC
Info: info@auraart.net
www.auraart.net

Submitted by Aurafidelite Arindam, GHC Thursday Soprano

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In
Community

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