



# Share Your Song with Cantores Celestes

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CANTORES CELESTES  
CELEBRATES 28 YEARS OF MAKING MUSIC

## From Kelly



Photo by Luigi Nieto

In this time of so much unrest we are very lucky to be living in Canada where we take our freedom to practice our own religion for granted.

Rather than allow religion to be a divisive force, we choose to be inclusive which is why we are so happy to present this special December concert celebrating 3 Faiths - 1 message - Peace and Hope!

This concert celebrates three faiths – Christianity, Judaism and Islam – and their common message of hope and peace. We are balancing Christmas favourites including Silent Night and *Wassail*, with the Jewish

*Ma Navu* by J. Spivak and Ms. Ebadi's words in support of women's, children's and refugee rights in *The Day of Hope*.

This concert, *The Day of Hope* features music celebrating three faiths - one message - Peace and Hope. *The Day of Hope* is a deeply moving work written for the 2005 Nobel Peace Prize Forum in honour of Iranian Muslim human rights lawyer and Nobel Prize recipient Shirin Ebadi. The piece features Persian texts from the 11<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup> centuries, as well as Ms. Ebadi's own words from her Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech. It is a poignant message for today, asking: "What Lamp had destiny to guide Her little children stumbling in the dark?" With Heaven replying: "A blind understanding."

We are very happy that Arif Virani, Member of Parliament for Parkdale-High Park, will narrate the the Canadian premiere of Carol Barnett's *Day of Hope*.

We are continuing with our tradition of giving back. This concert we will be donating \$1,000 to Eva's Initiative's for Homeless Youth.

CANTORES CELESTES WOMEN'S CHOIR

AND KELLY GALBRAITH, DIRECTOR

PRESENT

# The day of HOPE

3 Faiths and 1 Message - Hope and Peace

BY CAROL BARNETT CANADIAN PREMIERE

ALSO SEASONAL MASTERPIECES BY JACKSON BERKEY,  
BOB CHILCOTT AND OTHER FAVOURITES

NARRATOR ARIF VIRANI LIBERAL MP FOR PARKDALE-HIGH PARK

ELLEN MEYER PIANO JACQUELINE GORING HARP  
ANDY MORRIS, RAY DILLARD & PAUL ORMANDY PERCUSSION  
CLARE SCHOLTZ OBOE GEORGE KOLLER BASS MATTHEW COONS KEYBOARD

Sat, Dec. 3, 2016 • 7:30 pm

Poster by Shauna Rae

Cantores Celestes has its own page on Facebook! Come check us out!

<http://www.facebook.com/CantoresCelestes>

Check us out on YouTube <http://www.youtube.com/user/>



## *Poinsettia Sales*

Once again we are selling poinsettias from Branford Greenhouses Limited. These plants are beautiful and hardy.

The proceeds help pay for our concerts and go towards the \$1,000 we donate at each concert.

The deadline for sales is November 19th.

They will be delivered to the church on December 29th (our final dress rehearsal). Your Cantores Celestes contact will work out delivery with you.

Anyone in the choir will be able to take your order. Just ask for an order form.

Make your Christmas more beautiful with one or more of these lovely plants.

Branford Greenhouses are also offering a table top decoration this year.

## *Sizes & Prices*

6" Small - \$10

Red, White, Pink, Burgundy

8" Large - \$18

Red, White, Pink, Tri Colour, Burgundy

10" Premium - \$24

Red, White, Pink, Tri Colour, Burgundy

6" Centrepiece - \$24

Red, Gold

10" Tropical Planter - \$22

Red, White, Pink, Burgundy



## *Coffee Beans*

We are once again also selling free trade coffee, both with the poinsettias and at the concert at \$10 per bag.



# About the Concert

**Saturday, December 3 at 7:30pm**  
**Runnymede United Church**  
**432 Runnymede Road, Toronto**

In addition to the Canadian premier of *Day of Hope* which features music celebrating three faiths - one message - Peach and Hope. Cantores Celestes is thrilled to bring back *Cantata 2000* by Jackson Berkey and Bob Chilcott's *Peace Mass*.

Cantores Celestes is very proud of the fact that we continue to attract top Canadian musicians to perform with us at our concerts. For our Christmas concert this year we are excited to be performing with three of Canada's top percussionists: Andy Morris, Paul Ormandy and Ray Dillard.

Also joining us once again for this concert is accomplished Jacqueline Goring on harp, oboist Clare Scholtz and Matthew Coons on keyboard. As always we are very lucky that we have accompanist Ellen Meyer, one of Ontario's most in-demand collaborative pianists on board.

## Fundraising at the Spring Concert

As always, we will be raffling off gift baskets, assembled by our very own Jacqueline Hayden. Tickets for these beautiful baskets remain at \$1 each or 10 for \$5.

Fair Trade coffee will also be for sale at \$10 per bag. Proceeds from the coffee sales will be split between Cantores Celestes and Eva's Initiatives for Homeless Youth.

Bottles of water will be available for \$1 each.

## Social Media and Cantores Celestes

If you haven't seen us on one of our various social media pages, please check us out! We have 87 videos up on our YouTube page, that's huge! We update our Twitter and Facebook pages often. Please share us with your friends and family!

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CantoresCelestes](http://www.facebook.com/CantoresCelestes), Twitter: [https://twitter.com/Cantores\\_Choir](https://twitter.com/Cantores_Choir)

Choirplace: <http://www.choirplace.com/choirs/432/cantores-celestes>

YouTube : <http://www.youtube.com/user/cantorescelestes>, Website: <http://www.cantorescelestes.com>

**See you there!**