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Songquest



Mass Choir

Kahkiyaw Oskâyak
(All the Young People)
*Sherryl Sewepagaham**

Tamariki

Path to the Moon
Eric Thiman

Lii zweezoo nakamowak
*Nicole Schutz**
*Piano arrangement by Caitlin Grant**
Michael Lowings, fiddle

Parent Choir

What a Wonderful World
George David Weiss and Bob Thiele,
arr. Mark A. Brymer

Kikimasu

One Day
*Matsiyahu, arr. Carmen So**

Ever A Song
*Laura Hawley**

Salaam, Shalom
Mark Burrows

Kikimasu & Shumayela

Will There Really Be A Morning?
Craig Hella Johnson

Shumayela

Shumayela
South African Traditional

The Beat of A Different Drum

*Sarah Quartel**

Marco Estrada, percussion

We Will Shine Like The Sun

Rich Campbell

Brave

Sara Bareilles, arr. Audrey Snyder

Rosie Kerr, Aziz Kaur, Juliette Hawkeye,

Ethan Hiebert, solos

Marco Estrada, percussion

Audience Sing-Along

Sing

Joe Raposo

Mass Choir

When I Sing

Tom Shelton

Beckett McMillan and Sammi Tong, soloists

** denotes Canadian composer/arranger*

Concert theme inspired by the book

'Every Child a Song' by Nicola Davies

***With special thanks to the
participants in today's parent choir,
led by Susan Farrell!***

Featured Readers

Isabel Bashai

Ted McLean

Sylvie Neilsen

Juniper Nickel

Reese Playter

Juliette Hawkeye

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Susan Farrell

*Conductor, Tamariki Wednesday
Associate Conductor, Òran*

Nova Scotia native Susan Farrell (B.Mus. Mount Allison University, M.Mus. University of Alberta Choral Conducting) has been making waves in Alberta for the last several years as a rising choral conductor.



Kitbielle Pasagui

*Conductor, Shumayela
Associate Conductor, Korora*

Kitbielle Pasagui's unforgettable soprano voice and amazing wealth of choral experience make her a wonderful young associate conductor with Korora, and is the newly-appointed conductor for Shumayela.





Nicole Schutz

Conductor, Tamariki Monday

Nicole Schutz is a Métis music educator originally from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. With 24 years of experience as a music specialist, Nicole has just stepped into the role as a First Nations, Metis and Inuit teacher consultant with Edmonton Public schools.



Carmen So

Conductor, Kikimasu

Ms. Carmen So is the founding director of Kikimasu. With 20 years of experience in music education, she is known for ability to bring fun, energy, and excitement in the music learning process!





Daniel Browne

Assistant Conductor, Korora

Assistant Conductor, Shumayela

Daniel Browne has recently completed his Master of Music in Choral Conducting at the University of Alberta and is now working as a music specialist in Edmonton Public Schools.



Caitlin Grant

Accompanist, Tamariki

A graduate of the University of Calgary's music program, Caitlin Grant is a pianist-clarinetist and music educator.





Bryan LeGrow

Accompanist, Korora

Guest Accompanist, Shumayela

Bryan LeGrow is an Edmonton based composer, pianist and vocalist.



Talesa Mandin

Accompanist, Kikimasu

Talesa Mandin has been singing, performing, piano playing, and piano accompanying for as long as she can remember.





Cory Roberts

Accompanist, Vacilando & Shumayela

Cory has been involved with music since he was a small child, singing at the age of four and playing piano at the age of five.



Scott Leithead, Artistic Director

Conductor, Korora & Korus

Conductor Emeritus, Òran

Korora's artistic director, Scott Leithead is the founder and Artistic Director of the Korora Choir Association.



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Shumayela, a choir for treble and changing voices, continues to expand its horizons, develop its membership and satisfy a variety of musical tastes. The choir has toured throughout British Columbia and Alberta, performed in Ottawa at the Unisong festival for Canada Day, and in May 2016 the group was featured at the prestigious biennial choral conference for Canada, Podium.

Recent highlights include a tour to New York City to sing at Carnegie Hall in the spring of 2019, and then a performance as special guests of the Alberta Children's Choir in 2022. Wherever the choir travels, they spread the joy of music-making and hope to bring communities together through song.



SHUMAYELA MEMBERS

Clara Barron
Oliver Biittner
Caitlyn Bright
Daiva Cels
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Alanna Nielsen
Brynn Ohlmann
Marcus Palmer
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Reese Playter
Madelyn Ross
Jaden Russell
Alexa Suce
Sammi Tong





Korora's auditioned children's ensemble, Kikimasu, was founded in 2009. Kikimasu, pronounced KEE-kee-mahs, is a Japanese word meaning, 'to hear, to listen, to ask.' This choir, comprised of singers ages 9 through 12, tackles more challenging music than our non-auditioned children's choir, Tamariki. Kikimasu delves into music of all genres, from classical to pop, sung in unison to three- and four-part treble harmony. Ms. So skillfully weaves a creative methodology, rooted in Orff, Kodaly and eurythmics, to foster beautiful singing and engaged learning. Our one hour, forty-five minute rehearsals fly by in the blink of an eye!



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Adelaide Martin
Alexis McMillan
Beckett McMillan
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Cordelia Moore
Hugo Moore
Kaitlyn Mueller
William Palmer
Luca Rajabali
Emily Raven
James Ross
Mason Ross
Natalie Sabourin
Olive Simmonds
Lily Smith-Weihrach
Charlotte Wescott
Malakai Wong
Jemma Wong
Khady Wuetherick





Tamariki is Korora's youngest ensemble. With an emphasis on play and discovery, this group explores singing and music in a secure but exciting environment. In a typical season, Tamariki's members rehearse in several separate groups of 15 to 30 singers, combining for performances into a full choir with around 45 members. The choir runs in two 10-week rehearsal terms, each culminating a concert.

'Tamariki' (tah-mah-REE-kee) is the Maori word for 'children'—because nothing goes better together than children and music, after all!



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Julia Fabian
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