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A FOND FAREWELL

CD Saint is leaving his position as Laudate Singers' manager. He has been a capable, innovative, and personable manager whom we all have appreciated. We know our audience will miss him too. We wish CD the best in his developing mediation career.

Our new manager is Yvanna Mycyk. Yvanna has recently moved from Toronto, and has a background both in music and in law. You will have the pleasure of meeting Yvanna very soon!

Laudate Singers is a registered society with charitable status. Donations to the choir are therefore tax deductible. Please consider us when planning your charitable givings. You do make a difference!

W E L C O M E !

It is a joy to share our music with you today. Choral music is great anytime, but singing and Christmas really are tightly bound like ribbon around a gift! Some of these wonderful traditional songs have been created anew by their arrangers, giving them a modern sparkle. There is rejoicing in the Christian story of Jesus' birth and also in the warm conviviality of this delightfully holiday-filled time of year.

We hope that this wonderful music enriches your season of celebration and leaves you with a warm glow in your heart. Merry Christmas from Laudate Singers!

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Christmas Classics

O Magnum Mysterium		Giovanni Gabrieli 1557-1612
Hodie, Christus natus est		Healey Willan 1880-1968
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (<i>commissioned 2002</i>)		Lane Price b.1975
Today the Virgin		John Tavener b.1945
The Lamb		John Tavener
The Holly and the Ivy		arr. Ola Gjeilo b.1978
Lully, Lulla, Lullay	<i>solo: Yasmine Bia</i>	Philip WJ Stopford b.1977
Nova! nova!		Bob Chilcott b.1955
O Magnum Mysterium		Morten Lauridsen b.1943

– INTERMISSION / RECEPTION –

Quatre motets pour le temps de Noël		Francis Poulenc 1899-1963
I. O magnum mysterium		
II. Quem vidistis pastores dicite		
III. Videntes stellam		
IV. Hodie Christus natus est		
Sistah Mary		trad., arr. Rollo Dilworth b.1970
Silent Night	Franz Xaver Gruber 1787-1863, arr. Gene Puerling 1929-2008 <i>soloists: Elyse Kantonen & Nicholas Sommer</i>	
Deck the Hall	trad. Welsh tune, arr. Gene Puerling <i>soloists: Julie Nadalini & Eric Wettstein</i>	
The Christmas Song	Mel Tormé & Bob Wells, 1945, arr. Jerry Rubino	
Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas	Ralph Blane/Hugh Martin, 1944, arr. Réjean Marois <i>solo: Katie Horst</i>	

THE MUSICIANS

LAUDATE SINGERS

Laudate means praise, and for **Laudate Singers**, every concert is a joyful celebration. Now celebrating its 21st season, current artistic director Lars Kaario founded Laudate Singers in 1995. This chamber choir continues to skillfully and passionately present repertoire that spans centuries, cultures and genres. The choir also strives to foster the development of professional musicians and enrich the cultural fabric of our community.



Laudate Singers is a committed champion of Canadian choral music, commissioning and performing new Canadian works every season in addition to mentoring and nurturing young composers through a composer-in-residence programme.

Laudate Singers has been pleased to undertake stimulating and innovative partnerships with high caliber local performers and ensembles such as the Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra, the North Shore Celtic Ensemble, Tangissimo, Denis Bédard, Ariel Barnes, Heidi Krutzen and period baroque instrumentalists. The choir was honoured to represent North Vancouver at the Chiba (Japan) Cultural Festival in 2009.

The choir has recorded seven CDs, with the latest release, *Mystics & Lovers*, being a collaboration with Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra featuring two major works Moshe Denburg and Farshid Samandari.



LARS KAARIO (conductor) is founder and director Laudate Singers. He has built an impressive reputation as a conductor, singer and educator in his native Vancouver. Lars has forged valuable and lasting relationships with leading musicians and organizations in BC's arts scene. He is keenly interested in commissioning and performing Canadian music. As Director of Choral Studies in the Music Diploma Program at Capilano University where he directs Capilano University Singers and Capilano University Festival Chorus, Lars is able to support and mentor young singers, instrumentalists and composers. He shares his joy and skill of conducting as head instructor in the University's Conducting Certificate Program. Lars has appeared as conductor with such notable local ensembles as the Pacific Baroque Orchestra, Vancouver Philharmonic Orchestra, Theatre Under the Stars and others. He has

also appeared as soloist in Bach's B Minor Mass, Handel's Messiah, Mozart's Requiem and more with many of BC's major choirs and orchestras.

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