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Welcome to the latest issue of FANFARE, the quarterly newsletter of the Canadian Band Association, Ontario Chapter. In this issue:

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OUR NEW LOOK

Anyone who has visited a CBA(ON) display in recent weeks will have noticed our new look, courtesy of Benjamin Moyle.

Benjamin rebuilt our CBA (ON) logo and designed the banners for our new display, giving us a clean and contemporary look.



NATIONAL YOUTH BAND 2010

The 2009 National Youth Band of Canada (NYB) completed a successful tour in Saskatchewan this past May, 2009. In 2010, the National Youth Band of Canada will rehearse and perform in British Columbia from May 8 – 15 under the musical director is Dr. Wayne Jeffrey, who is presently Director of Ensembles of the Kwantlen University College Department of Music.

This excellent musical opportunity-- to work with others from across the country--is available for musicians aged 16 – 21. Audition information and links to the 2010 NYB website can be found at <http://www.canadianband.ca/> (navigate to the National Youth Band Pages).

The Yamaha Canada featured guest artist for the National Youth Band 2010 is Mr. Ian McDougall, trombone. You can visit his website at : <http://www.ianmcdougall.com/>

COMMUNITY BAND WEEKEND: OCTOBER 17/18

Canadian Band Association (Ontario)

&

Clarington Concert Band

proudly present

The 8th Annual Community Band Weekend

October 17 & 18, 2009



The 8th Annual Community Band Weekend is an opportunity for musicians from bands across Ontario to join together in a weekend of making music and meeting old and new friends. It is also a chance to rehearse and perform a variety of music under the direction of experienced conductors.

Join us from Saturday, October 17 through Sunday, October 18 in Bowmanville.

Information and registration forms are available on our website: www.cba-ontario.ca or you can call Diana at: 416-244-3745 or Barrie at 905-668-6982.



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CBA ON THE ROAD

CBA on the Road is an initiative of the Canadian Band Association, Ontario Chapter (CBA) in which CBA board members travel to various parts of Ontario to meet with representatives of area bands. This project is made possible by a grant from the Trillium Foundation. CBA Vice-President, Bill Harris, speaks about the value of the CBA to bands and individuals and introduces the low-cost group liability insurance available through the CBA. Bill also shares his computer expertise, including help with band websites, internet publicity, establishing links with other bands and making high quality recordings and posting them on-line. Board member Jane Johnson discusses CBA's centralized library project, as well as how to locate hard-to-find band music. Board member Stephen Chenette offers advice on audience development, programming and where to find band recordings and program note information on band music and band composers.

Bill, Jane and Steve represented the CBA in Ottawa on September 12th, where they were invited to set up a display at a reading session of new band repertoire sponsored by St. John's Music. The event was held at Merivale High School and the reading band was the Centralaires, conducted by Lieutenant-Colonel Fran Chilton-Mackay. Also attending the session was Barb Hunter, CBA Advisory Board member and conductor of the Seaway Winds in Cornwall. Barb played with the Centralaires and joined in discussions promoting the CBA. By the end of the day, CBA had acquired new band and individual members and interest was generated

in having a Community Band Weekend in the Ottawa area in the spring. CBA thanks Mike Kryvenchuk, St. John's Music manager in Ottawa, for the invitation to attend the reading session and the barbecue afterwards.

CBA is now planning to send "the team" to other parts of Ontario.

Anyone interested in knowing more about this project, or who wants to have *CBA on the Road* visit their area, should contact: info@cba-ontario.ca

2011 WASBE CONFERENCE

Wind bands and ensembles wishing to perform at the 2011 WASBE Conference in Chiayi City, Taiwan, should apply to the Chairperson for Conference Performances, Dennis L. Johnson, before November 1, 2009. A copy of the Guidelines for Performing Ensembles at WASBE International Conference may be found on www.wasbe.org

FRED MILLS, TRUMPETER WITH CANADIAN BRASS KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN GEORGIA

Fred Mills, a trumpeter who played for 24 years with the Canadian Brass, has died in an automobile accident. He was 70. Mills, who was teaching at the University of Georgia school of music, died in an accident near Atlanta, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported. He had just returned from a concert date in Europe.



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DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR THE COMMUNITY BAND WEEKEND: OCTOBER 17-18

THE CLARINGTON CONCERT BAND Host Band—Community Band Weekend

Now in its 16th year, The Clarington Concert Band is a volunteer community band and is the principal community wind ensemble in the Clarington area. The band was formed in 1992, and continues a 160-year-old town band tradition in the Clarington area that dates from the earliest documented band concert in Bowmanville in 1848.

Clarington Concert Band is a 45-player ensemble of brass, woodwind and percussion players and comprises both amateurs and seasoned professional musicians who hail from all parts of Durham Region, as well as surrounding areas in and around the GTA. The band performs a wide repertoire of music that includes transcriptions of classical music, original compositions, big band arrangements, movie scores, Broadway musicals, traditional marches and the occasional Strauss waltz. The band operates year-round performing in Clarington and surrounding Municipalities. The Clarington Concert Band is proud to bring the sound of live musical performances to audiences and at the same time provide musicians with an outlet to display their talents.

GLENN WARD: DIRECTOR OF CLARINGTON BAND

Glenn Ward was appointed Music Director of the Clarington Band in 2005. He is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario with a Bachelor of Musical Arts and holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of Toronto. Glenn's musical training began in the Salvation Army, where, at age 16, he was the principal trombone of the London (Ontario) Citadel Band. He is a past Bandmaster of the Oshawa Temple Band of the Salvation Army and a former Musical Director of the Oshawa Civic Band. Glenn is currently the head of the Arts Department of R. S. McLaughlin C.V.I. in Oshawa.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new member bands:

- The Maple Leaf Brass
- The Queens Own Rifles of Canada
- The Intrada Brass of Oakville
- The Carleton Place and District Community Band

Graham Ingram, director of the Carleton Place and District Community Band director of Music, writes: "As a matter of interest, my wife, Kerry, who is our principal clarinetist, is the daughter and grand-daughter of two former members of the CBA, at that time the Canadian Bandmasters Association. Grandfather, Ernest Wetton Senior, led bands from British Columbia to Ontario between 1913 and 1959. Father, Ernest Wetton Junior, was bandmaster in Kapuskasing, Gravenhurst, and Forest, Ontario, between 1939 (?) and 1981. He served as Assistant-Secretary to A.L. Robertson, from the early 1950's until sometime in the late 1960's. As well, one of the current directors of the CBA is John Liddle, formerly of Carleton Place."



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CBA ON-LINE THEORY PROGRAM

The Canadian Band Association on-line theory course has recently added interval sound files and listening exams. This section will be expanded on a regular basis. Currently major and minor intervals and four listening quizzes are available. Levels 4-6 are now up and ready to go. Join the thousands who have learned theory through this free program. Add the Teachers Kit (nominal fee) and enjoy these additional benefits:

- no marking for the teacher - assignments and tests are marked automatically
- marks can be printed as a class spreadsheet and incorporated into school grades
- more time to rehearse, less time required to teach and grade music theory
- students may redo assignments to improve their score
- technical support is provided
- *For more information on the Teachers Kit and a FREE seven day trial visit the website at:*
www.canadianband.ca/onlinemusictheory.html

ATTENTION CBA RECRUITERS

We are always looking for new members and you, as current CBA(ON) members, are the best recruiters we have. You will receive a \$10 reduction on your next membership renewal if you recruit one new member. If you recruit five new members, you will get your own one year membership for free.

COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE FOR CBA BANDS AND ORCHESTRAS

BandSure is a comprehensive insurance offering for bands and orchestras who are members of the Canadian Band Association (Ontario).

Coverage highlights are:

1. A basic premium of \$750 per year provides \$2,000,000 in liability insurance and \$30,000 in property insurance (for music and group-owned instruments),
2. An option to increase liability coverage to \$5,000,000 at an additional fee,
3. An option to increase property coverage at an additional fee, and
4. Directors and Officers coverage is available at an additional \$450 per year, with coverage starting at \$1,000,000.

CBA(ON) member groups will find BandSure information and the BandSure application form at

<http://www.canadianbandassociation.ca/membership-benefits.shtml>.

For more information, please contact Ian Smith of Firstbrook Cassie & Anderson Ltd., at (416) 486-1421 or (Toll Free (800) 267-0281).

BAND WEEKEND PROGRAM

Registration forms, and program details, including conductors, for the CBA Community Band Weekend can be found at:

<http://www.cba-ontario.ca/programs.shtml>

**125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA CONCERT:
CITY OF BRAMPTON CONCERT BAND**

2009 marks the 125th anniversary of the City of Brampton Concert Band. We are Brampton's oldest arts organization and one of the oldest continuously operating concert bands in Canada. To celebrate this occasion we are opening our 2009/2010 Concert Series with a **125th Anniversary Gala** concert on Saturday October 24th, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. in the Rose Theatre in Downtown Brampton. The evening will begin with a reception prior to the concert starting at 7:00 p.m. to which all ticket purchasers are invited.

Interspersed through the music of the evening will be a look back at our past, a presentation of new music as we set our sights to the future and other special events as we commemorate this important milestone in our history. We will have several feature soloists, guest performers and will be joined by our sister group, The Jazz Mechanics, who are celebrating their 30th anniversary this year. We are particularly proud to announce the premier performance of "*Genesis*" by the outstanding Canadian composer Mr. Vince Gassi commissioned by the City of Brampton Concert Band to celebrate this anniversary.

Tickets may be purchased at the Rose Theatre or Lester B. Pearson box offices or by calling **905-874-2800**. Ticket prices are Adults \$20, Seniors and Students \$18 and Children 12 and under \$10. Take advantage of our subscription pricing for the season series of three concerts (\$55, \$50 and \$25).

For more information on the 125th Anniversary Gala Concert and our other concerts in the 2009/2010 series please visit our website, www.bramptonconcertband.com and www.rosetheatre.ca for the Rose Theatre.



DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN AWARD

HONOUR MEMBERS OF YOUR BAND WITH A CBA DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN AWARD CERTIFICATE

Conductors! Consider recognizing members of your band with Canadian Band Association *Distinguished Musician Award* certificates.

The recipient must be a band member who, in your opinion, has shown superior musicianship, leadership, dependability, loyalty and co-operation. Up to two awards may be given per band per year. These free certificates are available as a membership benefit.



Download a certificate from
www.canadianband.ca/distinguishedmus.html .

FANFARE SUBMISSIONS

If you have a submission for FANFARE, please send it to fanfare@cba-ontario.ca.

Do you have information to share? We'll be happy to include it in our next **Fanfare**. Please specify if you would like your article to appear in more than one issue. Note that only submissions from member bands will be included in the newsletter, and that space considerations may require that articles be edited or abridged.

Please send submissions regarding upcoming concerts in Microsoft Word, and please include: event, date, time, location (with full address including postal code and telephone contact number), and any other information of interest.

FEATURED BAND:

THE CITY OF BRAMPTON CONCERT BAND

The City of Brampton Concert Band
55A Queen Street East
Brampton, Ontario
www.bramptonconcertband.com

WHO WE ARE

The City of Brampton Concert Band provides an exciting and challenging environment for musicians and to support and showcase Canadian music, locally and abroad. Our mandate is:

1. To provide a permanent community-sponsored service for citizens having suitable instrumental skills and who wish to share their musical knowledge with their neighbours through the media of Concert Band Performance.
2. To provide a community-sponsored outlet for the expansion and development of a worthwhile hobby within the context of the Community Band, to the art of music
3. To serve the citizens of the City of Brampton by providing music suitable for the many community activities that from time to time require Band music, such as
 - Open air park concerts
 - Band concerts in homes for the elderly
 - Interdenominational religious services
 - Parades in support of recognised community organizations
 - The provision of Band Music at important civic functions
4. To continue with our long-standing support of Canadian music by commissioning music and producing CD's that showcase Canadian composers and arrangers.
5. To seek to bring international recognition to the Band and the City through excellence in performance at music festivals and concerts internationally.

OUR HISTORY



The City of Brampton Concert Band, one of the oldest community bands in Canada, was founded in

1884 by the mechanics of the Haggert Foundry of Brampton.

With the construction of a bandstand in Brampton's historic Gage Park in 1903, the band began a 100-year tradition of performing free public summer concerts in the park. The band also has a long, illustrious and proud history with dozens of first place awards in competitions spanning the decades of the past century and continuing on into the current one. In 1930, Brampton's Band became a legend across Canada, earning nine firsts, two seconds and a third at the Canadian National Exhibition band competitions. During the period from 1947 - 1976, the band won twenty-eight first place awards in National and Provincial Music Festivals including the "Triple Crown" of the Canadian National Exhibition's annual band competition.

2000-2003

In the late 1990's and into the new millennium the Band began participating in music competitions to challenge the members musically and to progress to a new standard of play. This included back-to-back Gold Standard awards at MusicFest Canada National Competitions in Toronto (2000), Ottawa (2001) and Calgary (2002). In 2003, the band achieved a Gold Standard at the Atlantic Band Festival in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and also performed as one of the featured ensembles.

2004

In July of 2004, the band had the honour of being invited to participate in the Mid Europe Festival in Schladming, Austria. In addition to performing concerts highlighting works by some of our country's finest composers and arrangers, the Band acted as the workshop orchestra for clinics led by world-renowned conducting instructor, Dr. Ray Cramer. During the festival, The City of Brampton Concert Band was privileged to meet trumpet virtuoso and featured performer Mr. Allen Vizzutti.

2005

The Band hosted Mr. Vizzutti for a week of concerts and clinics for the local school boards in May of 2005. This culminated in two public concerts where Allen Vizzutti was the featured performer. In July of 2005, the City of Brampton Concert Band journeyed to Interlaken, Switzerland to compete at the Jungfrau Music Festival, the first-ever Canadian band to compete at this event. The band also performed concerts in Grindelwald, Thun and the capital city of Switzerland, Berne, again showcasing music by Canadian composers. The band obtained a silver standard at the competition and was proud to represent the City of Brampton, the Province of Ontario and Canada in this international music festival.

2006

In July of 2006, The Concert Band and its sister organization, *The Jazz Mechanics*, undertook a tour of Italy and Austria as part of continuing efforts to expand the international recognition and reputation of our organization. We had the great pleasure of establishing new relationships with a local Italian community band (*Corpo Bandistico La Beneficenza*) in the town of Sassuolo (near Modena) in northern Italy. They arranged for several of our concerts in Maranello and Sassuolo and were very gracious hosts. The bands also travelled to Schladming, Austria for main stage performances at the Mid Europe Music Festival and open-air concerts in Schladming, Haus and the Mirabel Palace Gardens in Salzburg. 2006 also saw the premiere of our newest commissioned work, Hurontario

Overture, by the by the pre-eminent Canadian concert band composer Dr. Howard Cable. We had the honour of having Dr. Howard Cable present to conduct the premiere public performance of the piece. In the fall of 2006 the *La Croix Valmer Concert Band* from Nice, France visited us in October of 2006 as part of their tour of Ontario and Quebec. The Brampton Concert Band arranged for their accommodations and tours of Niagara Falls and the CN Tower. They also performed an entertaining concert at St. Paul's Church.

2007

In July of 2007 the Band attended the *WASBE (World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles) 2007 Conference* in Killarney, Ireland. This festival is the preeminent Concert Band festival in the world. We undertook performances associated with the Festival and acted as a repertoire orchestra for newly commissioned works. We also performed in a number of other communities, including a concert at St. Stephen's Green in Dublin as part of the Dublin Summer Music Fest 2007 (the largest outdoor concert venue in Ireland) and at St. Fin Barre's Cathedral in Cork. The band was well received in all their performances.

2008

While the Band did not undertake any travels in 2008, we were as busy as ever from a musical perspective. We hosted a wonderfully successful Community Appreciation Barbecue at Gage Park, performed at the Canada Pavilion for Carabram along with our usual Gage Park summer concerts and the first two concerts of our 2008/2009 concert series. We also entered the Brampton Santa Claus parade for the first time since it moved its format to an evening event. We look forward to participating in this event again in the future! Finally, we undertook a live recording of our "*Christmas at the Rose*" concert in December of 2008 and produced our fourth CD. This is a wonderful compilation of what is always an enjoyable and inspiring evening of music to celebrate the Christmas season. The band also performed a live webcast concert of seasonal

music that was recorded in the Rose Theatre – a first for the band.

2009

This year we performed at the *Anches d'Azur festival (French Reeds Riviera Festival)* in La Croix Valmer, France (French Riviera) in June. This is part of a concert band exchange where the *La Croix Valmer Concert Band* visited us in Brampton in October of 2006. This was an exciting opportunity to represent Brampton internationally and foster relationships with other international bands. We will also continue with our range of summer park concerts, performances at Carabram and the Brampton Farmer's Market as well as a new formal concert series starting in the fall.



City of Brampton Concert Band

Muckross House, Killarney National Park

July 2007

Photo by Steve Dunn

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 2009

October 17

Seaway Winds present "On With the Show", an evening of well-known show tunes, featuring guest vocalist, Gabrielle Campbell, at Aultsville Theatre.

October 17 and 18

Community Band Weekend The 8th annual gathering of players from community bands across Ontario culminates on Sunday with a public concert from 2:30 to 4:30 by the Clarington Concert band and the Composite Community Concert Band in the Bowmanville High School Auditorium. Tickets will be on sale at the door or through the Clarington Concert Band's website.

October 23

Etobicoke Community Concert Band presents **October Song** at 8:00 p.m. at Silverthorn Collegiate, 291 Mill Rd., Etobicoke.

NOVEMBER 2009

November 21

The Bowmanville Santa Claus Parade will take place on Saturday, November 21, from 10:30AM to 12:00PM. A wagon will arrive at Trinity United on Church Street at 9:00 AM for decoration. Please try to arrive arrive before 9:30 AM if possible. The parade starts in Bowmanville at Church and Temperance St. and travels on Church Street, turns left onto Scugog Street, east on King Street, south on Liberty Street, and ends at Memorial Park (Liberty Street and Part Street). For more information call: (905) 697-8956

November 29

Northdale Concert Band, under the direction of Stephen Chenette, performs at the Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr., on Sunday, November 29 at 2:00 p.m.. Admission is free.

DECEMBER 2009

December 3

The Harmony United Church Christmas Concert featuring the Clarington Concert Band will take place on Thursday, December 3 from 7:00-9:00PM at the Harmony United Church in Oshawa, at 15 Harmony Road North, Oshawa, L1G 6K8. Phone: (905) 697-8956.

December 4

Seaway Winds present "Celebrate Christmas", the annual Christmas concert, featuring guest vocalist Julie Villeneuve, at St. Peter's Church, Cornwall.

December 5

Christmas Prelude at 7:30 pm at the Orillia Opera House. Join the **Orillia Wind Ensemble** and special guest The Jubilee Chorale in this fun filled, traditional start to the holiday season. There are always Christmas favourites old and new, a carol sing-along, a great MC, and of course our special surprise, a jolly fellow in a red and white suit! This is a great concert to bring the family to- buy your tickets early as this concert does sell out. Tickets are available through the Orillia Opera House Box Office at 326-8011 or online at www.OrilliaOperaHouse.ca or at the door. For more information please call Anna Proctor at 487-6724.

December 6

Joseph's Catholic Church Christmas Concert from 2:00 to 4:00PM on Sunday, December 6, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 127 Liberty Street South in Bowmanville. Phone: 905-697-8956

December 10

The Orono Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday December 10 from 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm at the Orono Town Hall, Main & Church Streets, Orono, L0B 1M0, phone: 905-697-8956

December 13

Trinity United Church Annual Christmas Concert. Join us as the Clarington Concert Band and Choirs of Trinity United come together for this annual celebration of the season in a concert of Choral and Band favourites on Sunday December 13 from 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm, at the Trinity United Church, 116 Church Street in Bowmanville, L1C1T2, phone: (905) 623-3912. Admission: Freewill Offering. Refreshments served after the concert

December 17

Christmas at the Beech 2009 on Thursday December 17, 2009 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Clarington Beech Centre, 26 Beech Avenue, Bowmanville. Phone: (905) 697-8956 Tickets \$6.00 each (Available at the Door)

FEBRUARY 2010

February 27

Meet the Tuba with the **Orillia Wind Ensemble** at 7:30 pm at St. Paul's United Church. This exciting winter concert will feature the talented and brilliant Scott Irvine on the tuba. Ever wondered if the tuba could play anything other than oom pah pah? Well come to this concert and hear the outer limits of tuba playing from Scott, who regularly performs with the Canadian Opera Company and the Esprit Orchestra. Scott is also a sought after composer and the OWE is thrilled to present some of his compositions in this mid winter concert. Tickets are available through the Orillia Opera House Box Office at 326-8011 or online at www.OrilliaOperaHouse.ca or at the door. For more information please call Anna Proctor at 487-6724.

