2024-2025 SEASON



FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025 - 7:30PM WITH PEACE AND JOY MUSIC FOR SOPRANO, BASS, AND VIOLA DA GAMBA CONSORT

JOLAINE KERLEY SOPRANO RODERICK BRYCE BASS JOSEPHINE VAN LIER VIOLA DA GAMBA ELINOR FREY VIOLA DA GAMBA SARAH POON VIOLA DA GAMBA





WITH PEACE AND JOY

Jolaine Kerley, soprano Roderick Bryce, bass Josephine van Lier, treble, tenor, and bass viola da gamba Sarah Poon, treble, tenor, and bass viola da gamba Elinor Frey, tenor, and bass viola da gamba

> Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656) Fantasia IX a 3

John Coprario (1570-1626) Fantasia #1 a 3

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) Motet Ecce Quam Bonum

> Thomas Tomkins in Nomine

John Coprario Fantasia #2 a 3

Henry Purcell (1659-1695) Fantasia #3 a 3

Hans Leo Hassler (translation)

Missa V super Ecce quam bonum (1599)

Kyrie Gloria Credo Sanctus Benedictus Agnus Dei

INTERMISSION



Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) Fantasia no. 4 for 2 viols Fantasia no. 5 for 2 viols

Thomas Lupo (1571-1627) fantasia #16 for 3 basses

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707) (translation) Mit Fried und Freud - Klaglied, BuxWV 76

Contrapunctus I **Evolutio** Contrapunctus II Evolutio Klaglied

Johann Michael Nicolai (1629-1685) Sonata à Tre Viol da Gamba Sonata (Adagio-Allegro-Adagio-Allegro-Adagio) Aria Courante Giga Sarabanda Ciaconi (Adagio)

Dietrich Buxtehude (translation)

Ich halte es dafür, BuxWV 48 arr. Christopher Bagan



2025-2026 SEASON

October 4, 2025. Cello Birthday Party. The cello of our artistic Director is 300 years old this year: reason for a very special birthday party!

November 7, 8, 9, 2025: Annual Early Music Festival. Details TBA.

February 7, 2026. Details TBA. March 14, 2026. Details TBA. May 9, 2026. Details TBA.





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JOLAINE KERLEY SOPRANO

Edmonton based soprano and conductor, Jolaine Kerley is active as a soloist, voice instructor, choral conductor, adjudicator, and clinician. She is currently Associate Professor of Music at Concordia University of Edmonton as well as artistic director of Ariose Choir. Jolaine holds a BMus and an MMus from the University of Alberta, as well as an MMus from the Early Music Institute at Indiana University's Jacobs school of Music.

Jolaine has been heard frequently as soprano soloist with choruses and orchestras throughout North America including the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, the Alberta Baroque Orchestra, Richard Eaton Singers, Luminous Voices, and Pro Coro Canada. Jolaine performs regularly with Early Music Alberta. Recent solo engagements include The Music of Vauahan Williams with the Richard Eaton Singers and the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, Geistliche Konzerte with Early Music Alberta, Arietta with Early Music Alberta, Alan Bevan's Nou Goth Sonne Under Wode at Carnegie Hall in New York City, Bach's Johannes Passion with Calgary's Professional vocal ensemble Luminous Voices, and an immersive Game of Thrones production with HBO and Giant Spoon Productions in Austin, Texas. Jolaine performs solo recitals throughout the Edmonton area and is frequently heard performing events with HASA, the Health Arts Society of Alberta. Upcoming solo engagements include BWV 36 with the Alberta Baroque Orchestra and Faure's Requiem and Goodall's Eternal Light with da Camera Singers. Jolaine is excited to be performing in the Early Music Alberta Festival again this year in Singing Sirens of the Seicento



RODERICK BRYCE

Hailing from Edinburgh, Roderick was in great demand there as a baritone, teacher, vocal coach and choral director. As a singer he broadcast often on BBC Radio 4 and regularly sang with Cappella Nova, including on their third disc of music by James Macmillan (Linn Records). He has recorded Bach's Matthäus-Passion (Linn Records) and sung across Scotland. Northern Ireland and France with the Dunedin Consort. He has appeared with Masaaki Suzuki's Bach Collegium Japan at the Edinburgh International Festival. Roderick was director of the Scottish Chamber Choir. founder and director of Sospiro Baroque, and chorus master for the Erskine Stewart's Melville Choir. Living now in Edmonton. Roderick is Director of Music at St Joseph's Cathedral-Basilica and Artistic Director and CFO of A Joyful Noise Choir Association. He appears frequently as a soloist in and around Alberta, especially with Early Music Alberta and has sung with the professional choirs Pro Coro Canada (Edmonton), Voicescapes (Calgary), and Luminous Voices (Calgary), appearing as soloist on the latter's recording of Mendelssohn's Te Deum.



JOSEPHINE VAN LIER TREBLE, TENOR, AND BASS VIOLA DA GAMBA

Josephine van Lier is a Dutch cellist and viola da gambist based in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, since 1995. Known for her dedication to historically informed performance, she bridges the classical and early music worlds with a versatile repertoire and collection of historic instruments, including baroque cello, violone, and various sizes of gambas.

Her acclaimed 4-disc recording of the Bach cello suites has earned international praise.

Josephine van Lier is a driving force in the world of early music. As founder and artistic director of Early Music Alberta, Josephine promotes early music through concert series and a festival in Edmonton. She is highly sought after as a performer, adjudicator, and educator worldwide.

Through her unwavering dedication to early music and her extraordinary talent, Josephine continues to inspire and enrich the world of classical and baroque music.

Learn more at www.josephinevanlier.com



SARAH POON TREBLE, TENOR, AND BASS VIOLA DA GAMBA

Violoncellist, gambist, conductor, and educator are just some of the musical hats that Sarah Poon wears. Starting on 'cello at an early age, Sarah began learning viol while at university, beginning on 7-string bass and gradually expanding her reach and her collection - to treble and tenor viol. Currently her early music projects include leading a barogue chamber orchestra, running a local consort of viols, continuing viol outreach initiatives and workshops, and performing as a continuo team with her organ- and harpsichordplaving husband, David.

She is a recurring faculty member at the Viola da Gamba Society of America's international summer workshop (Conclave) and offers consort coaching, beginner viol classes, and private lessons throughout the year. She is also president of Canada's only VdGSA Chapter, BC Viols, a group of British Columbia viol players dedicated to spreading the love of the viol.

Sarah considers the viol to be the "perfect" instrument: blending resonance, timbre, and ergonomics into a singularly delightful experience. Known by her friends as a viol-evangelist, she counts introducing the instrument to new players as a particular joy. When not foisting her viol-centred enthusiasm on others, Sarah wears the hat of mother to her four fantastic children. Sarah, David, and offspring live in Gibsons, BC.

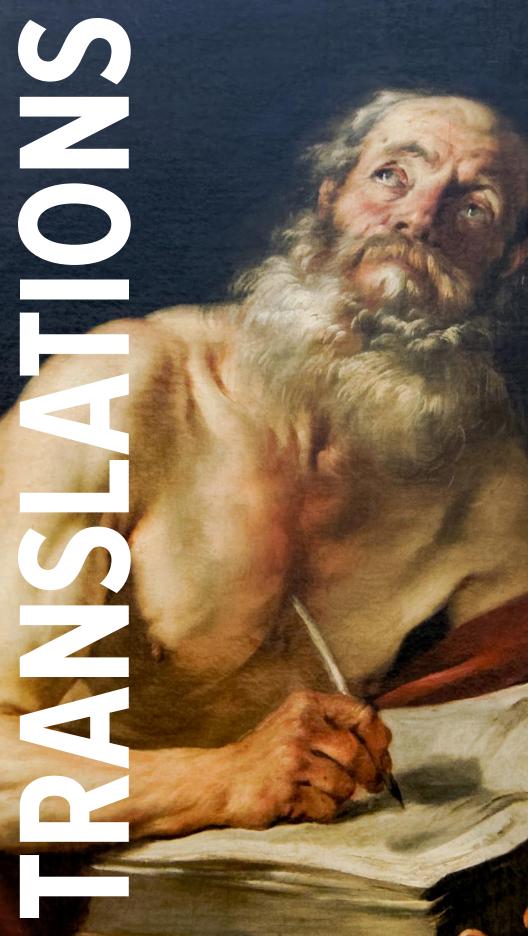


ELINOR FREY TENOR, AND BASS VIOLA DA GAMBA

Born in Seattle and living in Montréal, Elinor Frey is a leading American-Canadian cellist, gambist, and researcher. Her albums on the Belgian label Passacaille and Canadian label Analekta – many of which are world premiere recordings – include Giuseppe Clemente Dall'Abaco Cello Sonatas, winner of a Diapason d'Or, and Early Italian Cello Concertos, winner of the 2023 JUNO Award for Classical Album of the Year (small ensemble). Her critical editions of Dall'Abaco's cello music is published in collaboration with Walhall Editions.

Elinor is the artistic director of Accademia de' Dissonanti, an organization for performance and research. She has performed throughout the Americas and in Europe in recital and with numerous chamber ensembles and orchestras including the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra, London Symphonia (ON), Orchestre Symphonique de Québec, Symphony Nova Scotia, Rosa Barocca, II Gardellino, Tafelmusik, and Pacific Baroque Orchestra, among others.

Recipient of dozens of grants and prizes supporting performance and research, including the US-Italy Fulbright Fellowship, a research residency at the Orpheus Institute in Ghent, and a collaborative research project in 2025 with musicologist Nicholas Baragwanath working on using hexachordal solfeggio in practice, supported by CALQ and UK Impact Accelerator grants. Elinor holds degrees from McGill, Mannes, and Juilliard. She teaches Barogue cello and performance practice at McGill University and the Université de Montréal and was a Visiting Fellow in Music (2020–2023) at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University. Frey was awarded Québec's Opus Prize for "Performer of the Year" in 2021. Back to Program



MISSA V SUPER ECCE QUAM BONUM

Kýrie, eléison Christe, eléison Kýrie, eléison

Glória in excélsis Deo et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te. benedícimus te. adorámus te, glorificámus te. grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam, Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili Unigénite, lesu Christe, Dómine Deus, Ágnus Dei, Fílius Patris. qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis: qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecatiónem nostram. Qui sedes ad déxteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus, lesu Christe, cum Sancto Spíritu: in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae, visibilium omnium et invisibilium, Et in unum Dominum lesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum, et ex Patre natum, ante omnia saecula, Deum de Deo, lumen de Lumine, Deum verum de Deo vero, Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of aood will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father. have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ. with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. tum, I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial Back to Program genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de caelis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine, et homo factus est. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato: passus et sepultus est, et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas, et ascendit in caelum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria, iudicare vivos et mortuos. cuius regni non erit finis. Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem: qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur: qui locutus est per prophetas. Et unam, sanctam, catholicam et apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et exspecto resurrectionem mortuorum, et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

with the Father;

through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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MIT FRIED UND FREUD - KLAGLIED, BUXWV 76

Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin In Gottes Willen, Getrost ist mir mein Herz und Sinn, Sanft und stille, Wie Gott mich verheissen hat Der Tod ist mein Schlaf worden.

Das macht Christus wahr Gottes Sohn, Der treue Heiland, Den du mich, Herr, has sehen Lahn, Und machst bekannt, Dass er sei das Leben und Heil In Not und auch im Sterben.

Den hast du allen vorgestellt, Mit grossen Gnaden, Zu seinem Reich die ganze Welt Heissen laden, Durch dein teuer heilsam Wort An allem Ort erschollen.

Er ist das Heil und selig Licht, Für die Heiden, Zu erleuchten die dich kennen nicht, Und zu weiden, Er ist deines Volks Israel Der Preis, Ehr, Freud und Wonne.

Muss der Tod denn auch entbinden, was kein Fall entbinden kann? Muss sich der mir auch entwinden, der mir klebt dem Herzen an? Ach! der Väter trübes Scheiden machet gar zu herbes Leiden, wenn man unsre Brust entherzt, solches mehr als tödlich schmerzt.

Unsre Herzen sind die Väter, Die bedenken was uns kränkt; Sie sind unsre Seufzer-Beter Für das, was kein Kind nicht denkt, Sie erkennen diese Zeiten Und der Erde Eitelkeiten; Drum ihr Ach vom eitlem Los Hält der Höchste teur und gross. With peace and joy I'm going there in God's will, My heart and mind are comforted, soft and still, As God promised me Death has become my sleep.

That makes Christ true Son of God, the faithful Saviour, You see me, Lord, Lahn, and make it known That he is life and salvation In distress and even dying.

You introduced him to everyone with great graces, To his kingdom the whole world hot load, Through your precious healing word sounded everywhere.

He is salvation and blessed light, for the pagans, To enlighten those who don't know you And to graze He is your people's Israel The prize, honor, joy and delight.

Must death also deliver, what no case can deliver? Does he also have to wriggle away from me, that sticks to my heart? Oh! the sad parting of the fathers makes suffering too severe, if our breast is heartbroken, such hurts more than death.

Our hearts are the fathers They consider what offends us; They are our sigh-worshipers For what no child does not think, You recognize these times And the vanities of the earth; Therefore her ah from the vain lot Keeps the highest dear and great. Back to Program Solcher ist mir auch gewesen Mein Herr Vater, welcher mir Tausend Segen hat gelesen Vor der reichen Himmelstür Durch sein Flehen, dessen Lehren Und sein Sorgen mich verehren Täglich mit Vergnüglichkeit, Die mach Gott Er mir bereit.

Dieser nun wird mir entrissen, Ach! wie heftig ist der Schmerz, Dass ich den nun muss vermissen, Der war meines Herzens Herz! Dieses soll mein Trost nun werden, Weil ich lebe auf der Erden Dass ich sein in Lust und Pein Dankbar eingedenk will sein.

Und dass Er nun den empfangen, Den er liebet, seinen Hort: "Deiner wart' ich mit Verlangen" Dieses war sein letztes Wort. Sein Verlangen ist gestillet, All sein Wünschen ist erfüllet. Jesu Freuden übergross Ich, als Sohn, ihm gönnen muss.

Er spielt nun die Freuden-Lieder Auf des Himmels-Lust-Clavier, Da die Engel hin und wieder Singen ein mit süsser Zier. Hier ist unser Leid-Gesänge Schwarze Noten Traur-Gemenge Mit viel Kreuzen durchgemischt Dort ist alles mit Lust erfrischt.

Schlafe wohl, du Hochgeliebter, Lebe wohl, du seelge Seel; Ich, dein Sohn, nun Hochbetrübter, Schreib auf deines Grabes Höhl: "Allhie liegt, des Spielens Gaben Selbsten Gott erfreuet haben: Darumb ist sein Geist beglückt Zu des Himmels-Chor gerückt." It was like that for me too My father, which me A thousand blessings read Before the rich gate of heaven Through his supplications, his teachings And his cares worship me daily with pleasure, God make it ready for me.

This one will now be snatched away from me, Oh! how bad is the pain that I have to miss him now That was the heart of my heart! This shall now be my consolation, Because I live on earth That I be in pleasure and pain I want to be grateful.

And that he now received the Whom he loves, his hoard: "I've been waiting for you with longing" This was his last word. His desire is satisfied All his wishes are fulfilled. Jesus' joys abound I, as a son, must begrudge him.

He now plays the joy songs On the piano of heaven's lust, Because the angels every now and then Sing in with sweet grace. Here is our song of woe Black notes mourning mixture Mixed with a lot of crosses There everything is refreshed with lust.

Sleep well, dearest one, Farewell, blessed soul; I, your son, now afflicted, Write on the hollow of your grave: "Allhie lies, gifts of gambling Have pleased even God: Therefore his spirit is happy Moved to heaven's choir."

ICH HALTE ES DAFÜR, BUXWV 48

Ich halte es dafür, dass dieser Zeit Leiden der Herrlichkeit nicht wert sei, an uns soll offenbaret werden.

Was quälet mein Herz für Trauern und Schmerz was ängstet mein Leben, mit Trauern umgeben, was heisset mich trauern, die Welt zu bedauern? Die Liebe von hier heisst

Die Liebe von nier neiss Himmelsbegier.

Was ängstet mein Herz? Die himmliche Wonne, die einzige Sonne

erhitzet die Güte in meinem Geblüte; Nur Jesu zu dir steht meine Begier.

Ach wär ich bei dir, du meine Gier; O Jesu, mein Leben, wer kann mir sonst geben

die himmlische Freude nach dieser Zeit Leide?

Die Liebe von hier heisst Himmels Begier.

Du gibest mir Ruh, den Himmel dazu. Wenn Leiden und Quälen mich wollen entseelen, wenn Jammer und Plagen mich wollen abnagen,

so tröste mich hier die himmlische Zier.

Drum lass ich der Welt ihr Jammergezelt. und suche mit Schmerzen die brennenden Kerzen, die himmlischen Freuden nach dieser Zeit Leiden.

Nur Jesu zu dir steht meine Begier.

I hold it that this times' suffering is not worthy of the glory it is to be revealed to us.

What torments my heart for mourning and pain what fears my life, surrounded with grief, what does it mean to me to mourn, to pity the world? Love from here is called lust for heaven.

What is my heart afraid of? The heavenly bliss, the only sun heats up the goodness in my blood; Only Jesus to you stands my desire.

Oh, if I were with you, you my greed; O Jesus, my life, who else can give me

the heavenly joy after this time suffering? The love from here is called heaven's desire.

You give me rest and heaven. When suffering and torment want to drain me, when misery and plague want to gnaw me, so comfort me here the heavenly adornment.

That's why I leave the world its tent of misery. and seek with pain the burning candles, the heavenly joys after this time suffering. Only Jesus to you stands my desire.

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