

TORONTO SINFONIETTA

2014/2015



On the Toronto musical scene, Toronto Sinfonietta is truly unique. Since its inception in 1986, the orchestra has captured the city's imagination by presenting groundbreaking concert programming to capacity houses. Classical, jazz, film scores and music from a variety of cultures, along with new pieces commissioned by gifted local composers, is blended to achieve its signature style.

The critically acclaimed CD recording, *Romancing Chopin* - featured numerous times on CBC Radio - introduces the listener to new interpretations of the popular Polish composer's music, and is a permanent testimony to Toronto Sinfonietta's distinctive approach to programming.

Toronto Sinfonietta is proud of its longstanding community partners, including the Oakham House Choir of Ryerson University, Royal Ontario Museum and University of Toronto School of Music.

Toronto Sinfonietta fills a void in our city already replete with cultural abundance. It not only presents traditional classical works, classical pops and contemporary music, but it seeks to challenge, connect, and captivate audiences with the spirited edge programming.

Led with extraordinary dedication by Maestro Matthew Jaskiewicz, Toronto Sinfonietta has been presenting exceptional concerts for over 25 years. Its talented artistic team, committed staff, enthusiastic volunteers, and devoted fans, create a wonderful atmosphere that has made it a success.

For 9 years, Toronto Sinfonietta has been organizing an annual Concerto Competition for young musicians under the age of 19, to select among the many talented students and artists in our region the best performers who will ultimately appear as soloists on the stage with Toronto Sinfonietta.

Highlights of 2014-2015 season include a festive Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass and a joyful Last Night at the Proms featuring Oakham House Choir, and the 9th edition of Toronto Sinfonietta's Young Musicians Gala.

Join our team and share the music!

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Matthew Jaskiewicz – Artistic Director

Matthew Jaskiewicz is a graduate of the Warsaw Academy of Music, where he studied with the famous conductor Bohdan Wodiczko.

His professional career was launched by the directorship of several prestigious ensembles in Poland and France - the Academic Choir of Warsaw University, Ars Antiqua Chamber Choir and Les Rossignolet de Roubaix boys' choir.

Through extensive touring in Europe Mr. Jaskiewicz has earned international distinction and many significant awards, including the First Prize at the International Choral Festival in Middlesborough, England.

Following his move to Canada in 1984, Matthew founded the Polish Canadian Society of Music and its flagship ensembles, the Toronto Sinfonietta orchestra and Musica Antiqua Vocal Ensemble. Since its establishment as an independent organization, Toronto Sinfonietta is being recognized for its innovative programming, commissioning of original works by Canadian composers and for featuring some of Toronto's most prominent soloists.

In addition to his tenure as the Artistic Director of Toronto Sinfonietta, Matthew currently conducts the Oakham House Choir of Ryerson University. For many years he served as Artistic Director of Northumberland Choir and Orchestra in Cobourg.

In recognition of his cultural achievements he was awarded the prestigious Polish Order of Merit in 1996. In 2006 he was presented with the Knight's Cross of The Order of Polonia Restituta, the highest civilian award bestowed by the president of Poland.

Philip McConnell – Composer in residence

Philip McConnell, the Toronto composer, was born in Coventry, England. He studied at the University of Reading, majoring in composition and obtaining a Ph.D. in Musicology. A resident of Canada since 1970, Dr. McConnell has recently retired from his position as the Head of Integrated Arts at the Claude Watson Arts Program in Earl Haig Secondary School to devote more time to composition. He became a composer-in-residence with Toronto Sinfonietta in August 2003. Dr. McConnell is an Associate Composer with the Canadian Music Centre and a member of the Canadian League of Composers and is also a composer-in-residence with les AMIS Concerts. His orchestral, chamber, and choral works have been performed in North America, Europe, and Asia. Three new works were premiered in Canada and Austria last year.

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